

# North Central Accountable Community of Health

## North Central ACH Fully-Integrated Medicaid Contracting Advisory Committee

### **Advisory Committee**

The purpose of the Fully-Integrated Medicaid Contracting (FIMC) Advisory Committee is to serve as the primary local advisory body providing stakeholder input regarding the implementation of fully integrated Medicaid contracting in Grant, Chelan, and Douglas counties beginning January 1, 2018 and incorporating Okanogan County by January 1, 2020.

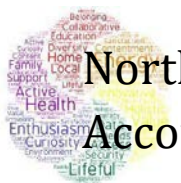
The Advisory committee:

- Provides information and recommendations to HCA regarding the current health care delivery and payment system in North Central Washington, and to inform the implementation of fully-integrated managed care; ensuring that regional priorities and local considerations are incorporated in program design.
- Provides feedback to the State to inform key decision-making and respond to proposals put forth by the HCA.
- Identifies potential opportunities for technical assistance that could assist providers or other stakeholders during the transition to full integration. Informs HCA and the North Central Accountable Community of Health (NC ACH) about technical assistance needs identified in the community.
- Informs HCA and the NC ACH board about any problems, issues or concerns from the local level.
- Assists the State in engaging additional stakeholders in North Central, by educating stakeholders who may not be as informed about the transition, keeping regional stakeholders and community members informed of implementation progress and helping to answer questions in the community.

The FIMC Advisory Committee is open to any Grant, Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan County stakeholders who are interested in participating. Representatives from the following sectors have been especially encouraged to participate:

- Behavioral Healthcare Providers
- Behavioral Health Organization
- Crisis Service Providers
- Physical Healthcare Providers
- Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement
- Hospitals
- FQHCs
- Housing service agencies
- Supported employment agencies
- Consumer advocacy organizations
- North Central behavioral health ombudsman

FIMC Advisory Committee meetings are held no less than monthly and will continue through the end of 2017. All meetings have an option to participate via teleconference for those unable to attend in person. NC ACH staff, in collaboration with HCA and the North Central Behavioral Health Organization, establishes the agendas. Notes for all meetings are provided by NCACH staff.



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## **Workgroups of the Advisory Committee**

### Early Warning System

The Early Warning System Workgroup is working to develop recommendations for an Early Warning System that allows a feedback loop and triage process to identify and resolve system issues as they arise. The Early Warning System in North Central is modeled after the Early Warning System put in place in Southwest Washington in 2016.

### Managed Care Rates

In order to ensure managed care rates in North Central Washington are adequate to provide services to those in need a Managed Care Rates workgroup was formed. The Behavioral Health providers worked closely with the Health Care Authority and their actuary to provide relevant data and information to inform the rate setting process.

### IT/EHR

Since behavioral Health providers will no longer be required to use the Avatar system at the same time as they will need to have the capabilities of billing the MCOs directly, an IT/EHR workgroup was established to identify and resolve IT/EHR issues around MCO/ASO billing capacity, EHR compatibility, provider data reporting requirements and identify technical assistance needs.

### Consumer Engagement

A Consumer Engagement workgroup has been established to

- Provide recommendations and work to engage the consumer sector in system change efforts related in integrated managed care.
- Ensure that consumers maintain confidence and continuity in the care they are receiving.
- Ensure a smooth transition to FIMC through the development of clear communication materials, client notifications, and transparent transition processes.
- Leverage existing structures and avenues to collaborate with consumer groups to gather consumer perspective, identify consumer concerns, gaps in understanding of FIMC, etc.

Communications materials are being developed by the HCA with significant input by the consumer Engagement workgroup members.

All meeting materials for the Advisory Committee and Workgroups (agendas, notes, presentations, etc.) are publicly available on the NCACH website ( [www.mydocvault.us](http://www.mydocvault.us) ) under the FIMC Advisory Section. All Workgroups are facilitated and staffed by the NCACH.

## **Knowledge Transfer**

Knowledge Transfer meetings are a mechanism for MCOs, prior to contract implementation of Integrated Managed Care within a region, to learn critical information about the new provider network and service delivery that has been provided through the BHOs. A variety of topics will be discussed in these meetings to prepare for implementation and a smooth transition between the BHO closing, and the MCOs becoming responsible for the coordination of behavioral health services. The Health Care Authority facilitates these bi-monthly meetings that are held from June to December of 2017.

# Purposed Fully-Integrated Medicaid Contracting Planning Process

## Okanogan County 2018

Chelan, Douglas,  
and Grant Counties,  
Jan. 1, 2018 FIMC  
Transition

Purposed  
Okanogan County,  
Jan. 1, 2019 FIMC  
Transition

Advisory Committee

Consumer Engagement  
Workgroup

Early Warning System  
Workgroup

IT/EHR  
Workgroup

Managed Care Rates  
Workgroup

Okanogan Coalition for  
Health Improvement:  
Broad Stakeholder Input  
Consumer Engagement

Okanogan FIMC  
Provider Group:  
Early Warning System  
IT/EHR Planning

### All Stakeholders:

Physical Health Providers  
Behavioral Health Providers  
Community-Based Organizations  
Managed Care Organizations  
Administrative Service Organization  
Law Enforcement  
Emergency Medical Services  
Consumers  
Criminal Justice  
Ombudsman  
Public Health

### Providers:

Okanogan Behavioral Health Care  
Confluence Health  
Family Health Centers  
Mid-Valley Clinic  
North Valley Hospital  
Three Rivers Hospital  
Health Care Authority  
North Central Accountable  
Community of Health  
Others as necessary



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