

# Native American Health Center, Inc.

### **PHLN Year 2 Project Aim**

Within 12 months, to optimize team based care by redefining roles and reshaping scopes of work for 100% of our support staff (i.e., RNs, Clinical Care Assistants, and Referral Coordinators).

### **Measures for Success**

- Add Clinical Care Assistants (CCAs) to each team.
  - Improved HEDIS measures
- 2. Add Referral Coordinators to each team.
  - Decreased outstanding referrals
- 3. Add Registered Nurses (RNs) to each team.



### **Tested Changes**

 Added one Clinical Care Assistant to one team. WE CHANGED EHRs!



## **Implemented Changes**

• Added both Clinical Care Assistants to each team.

## Using Data for Improvement

**PROMPT: What data have you collected and what decisions or further changes have you made as a result?** *Examples of data to include are pictures of your run charts, quotes from staff and patients, other data visualization.* 

- Number of Outstanding (unprocessed) referrals
- HEDIS Measures
  - Colorectal Cancer Screenings
  - Cervical Cancer Screenings
  - Breast Cancer Screenings
  - Retinal Exams for Diabetic Members

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Add Registered Nurse (RN) to the two Teams by 9/30/19	NS	NS	NS	NS	INS	NS
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Retinal Exams for Diabetics	27%	28%	29%		#N/A	#N#A
Target	70%		70%			

## **Strategies for Success**

**PROMPT: What strategies or tools have helped you mitigate challenges and manage your changes?** *Examples may be using PDSAs to engage staff and get buy-in; allocating one hour per week of protected time to focus on your project; using visual displays of data to show progress and celebrate early wins.* 



Developed an 'as needed' Task Group with the Chronic Disease Manager, for feedback regarding CCAs in teams.



Started a Population Health recurring meeting to review data metrics with cross-functional team.



Hired a Quality Improvement Director.



Hired a Population Health Analyst.



## **Key Tools & Resources**

**PROMPT: What 1-3 tools/resources have been integral to your project?** *Examples could include workflows, patient questionnaires, a registry, job descriptions, brochures/pamphlets, etc.* Please email CCI copies of shareable resources so that we can print copies and post to the PHLN program website.

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**Project Measures Data Tracking Tool** – developed for NAHC by Jerry Lassa to help us track progress on our project



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**Population Health Meeting-** internal, crossfunctional meeting to address and monitor population health metrics

**Tableau** – a data visualization software

# **Next Steps**

Spreading	Sustaining
Update job descriptions of Clinical Care Assistants.	Continue monitoring data, and using the tracking spreadsheet.
Move one Referral Coordinator to a team; test, track.	
When able, update reporting tool.	

**PROMPT: Next steps with your project in the next couple months and also beyond the PHLN.** *Do you have plans to spread changes or learnings from your project to other areas in your organization (ie; populations, conditions, etc.)?*  **PROMPT: How will you sustain your project after the grant ends?** *Other funding sources, staff changes, etc.* 

# **Current Challenges or Barriers**

**PROMPT: What are the top one or two challenges you're currently encountering that fellow PHLN-ers can help you with?** *Is there a specific question, curiosity or frustration you would like to brainstorm with the people listening to/reading your storyboard presentation?* 

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Switching electronic health record (EHR) systems mid-PHLN-year.

- NAHCs time was devoted to this project. Two PHLN members are Super Users.



Lack of available (trustworthy) data as a result of the change in EHR systems.

