



## 2018 Innovative Approaches for Prescription Drug Abuse Management and Prevention Announcement

### Introduction

The CVS Health Foundation has partnered with the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) to make 10 to 12 one year grants of \$65,000 to \$85,000 available to Health Center Program grantees and FQHC Look-Alikes that are NACHC ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERS.

“Innovative Approaches for Prescription Drug Abuse Management and Prevention” is a 12-month learning community designed to assist health centers in building capacity for providing integrated behavioral health services in communities with high incidence of substance use and abuse. The goal is the implementation of innovative, collaborative, and community-based models that:

- Result in efficient and effective systems for screening, identifying, engaging, and coordinating care for patients using and abusing prescription drugs and other substances;
- Ensure clear, safe, and effective protocols for prescriber practices (including pediatricians, dentists, pharmacists, and ER physicians);
- Strengthen and systematize partnerships with other specialists and community-based organizations; and
- Create safe, non-judgmental environments for all patients.

### Partner

The CVS Health Foundation is the private foundation of CVS Health with a “mission to give back to the communities in which we live and work through charitable contributions, colleague engagement and by raising awareness of important issues impacting neighborhoods across the country”. As a national leader in health care, CVS Health’s purpose is to help people on their path to better health and the Company’s philanthropic giving supports programs that address health and health care issues, including offering much needed support for medical services for the most at-risk populations.

### Rationale

The national opioid epidemic shines a spotlight on communities struggling with substance use disorders. Primary care providers have opportunities to prevent and manage care for substance use and abuse among their patients but may not have the systems in place to properly identify, engage, and support patients at-risk. Community health centers have an opportunity to leverage their care teams, health information technology systems, quality infrastructure, and community partnerships to support drug abuse control in their communities.

## Who Should Apply

Health centers with:

- Substance use and abuse management and prevention as part of the strategic plan
- Leadership (CEO/CMO/CFO/CIO) and Board of Directors who support project participation and are willing to engage community partners
- Commitment to assess and improve current care processes, workflows, EHR data capture and information flow, and care team models to optimize implementation of innovative models
- Willingness to share relevant (non-PHI) data openly with other project participants

## Eligibility Criteria

- Federally Qualified Health Center or FQHC Look-Alike
- Organizational member in good standing of the National Association of Community Health Centers
- Committed, as demonstrated in the health center's strategic plan, to building capacity to address behavioral health and substance use and abuse in the health center and community
- Located in one of the following states: Arizona, California, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island
- Organizations presently participating in *Innovative Approaches for Prescription Drug Abuse Management and Prevention* are eligible to apply for this current round of funding **for a new project**. Applications proposing a continuation of the currently funded project will not be considered.
- A review committee will read and score applications for: statement of need; organizational capacity; project description; evaluation capacity; program integration; and budget/ budget narrative.

## Benefits of Participation

- The opportunity to tap into the collaborative power of health center teams and behavioral health integration experts working together across the country to achieve integrated behavioral healthcare within their practice to improve substance use and abuse services in primary care
- 12 months of free training, technical assistance, and coaching for your health center team
- Access to nationally recognized behavioral health integration faculty and experts
- Increased staff satisfaction through expanded team capabilities and more efficient use of resources
- Increased patient satisfaction with improved access to needed services
- Financial support for staff time coverage and program implementation if awarded up to \$85,000.00

## Key Dates

- **March 6, 2018:** Information Webinar Option #1 at 2:00 PM Eastern Time.
- **March 8, 2018:** Information Webinar Option #2 at 12:00 PM Eastern Time

*You can find the slides, recordings, and Q&A from these webinars [HERE](#).*

- **March 28, 2018:** Health center online application due
- **May 14-18, 2018:** Health center notified if accepted or declined
- **TBD** Call with CVS Health Foundation
- **June 7, 2018:** Pre Work Call for participant health centers
- **June 20, 2018:** Launch Meeting
- **Mid-September 2018:** Learning Session 1
- **Mid-December 2018:** Learning Session 2
- **Mid-March 2019:** Learning Session 3
- **June 2019:** Harvest Meeting

## APPLICATION

- The application is due by **5PM ET Wednesday March 28, 2018**.
- The application must be completed and submitted **online**. We recommend opening the application in **Google Chrome**.
- The online application will take approximately **30 minutes** to complete.
- You will find it helpful for answering a number of questions about your health center to have a copy of your **CY 2017 UDS Report** available (i.e., data that you submitted to HRSA BPHC during the recent submission period from January 1 to February 15, 2018)
- You will be required to upload a **budget**, including narrative (required template provided). Travel for up to two team members to attend a Harvest Meeting at project end is a required expense within this project year. Your indirect cost rate may not exceed 15 percent.
- You will be required to upload a **letter of commitment** signed by the CEO, CMO, and Chair of the Board of Directors.
- You will be required to upload an **organizational chart**.
- Interested health centers should plan to attend one of the **information webinars** referenced in the “Key Dates”, above.

To start the online application, click [HERE](#)

To download the required budget template, click [HERE](#)

To download a PDF version of the application (as a reference only and not to be submitted), click [HERE](#)