



## State Innovation Model (SIM)

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### Minnesota Accountable Health Model Updates

Visit the [Minnesota Accountable Health Model](#) website for frequent updates, including a list of upcoming [RFP opportunities](#) and a [map of awardees to date](#).

### Quarterly Task Force Meetings

The Minnesota Accountable Health Model Community Advisory Task Force and Multi-Payer Task Force meets quarterly. In addition to quarterly meetings, Task Forces may choose to add supplemental meetings in-person or via webinar.

#### SIM Joint Community Advisory and Multi-Payer Alignment Task Force Webinar

Date: Wednesday, March 3, 2015

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Central Daylight Time

[Register for this webinar](#)

#### SIM Community Advisory Task Force Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2015

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon, Central Daylight Time

Location: Amherst H. Wilder Center, 451 Lexington Parkway N., St. Paul, MN 55104

#### SIM Multi-Payer Alignment Task Force Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2015

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Central Daylight Time

Location: Amherst H. Wilder Center, 451 Lexington Parkway N., St. Paul, MN 55104

### SCALE Initiative Request for Applications

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement has announced the release of the [Request for Applications \(RFA\) for Spreading Community Accelerators through Learning and Evaluation \(SCALE\)](#). SCALE is an essential part of the [100 Million Healthier Lives initiative](#) and is directly aimed at helping communities substantially accelerate their health improvement journey. Twenty pacesetter communities will be selected to participate in this 20-month, intensive "learning and doing" program designed to assist communities to achieve unprecedented results in improving the health and well-being of people, populations, and the community at large. SCALE will support communities in their efforts to address factors that contribute to health, lead complex change, and advance equity. Up to 10 additional mentor communities will serve as part of the technical assistance team in the SCALE initiative. More information can be found on [IHI.org](#), including the applications, FAQs, and details on upcoming informational calls. The application deadline is March 4.

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## Please provide your perspective and feedback on two important national e-health documents!

The Minnesota e-Health Initiative is compiling feedback from Minnesota stakeholders for a coordinated response on the request for comments on two guidance documents issued by the Office of the National Coordination for Health Information Technology (ONC):

- [Connecting Health and Care for the Nation: A Shared Nationwide Interoperability Roadmap Draft Version 1.0](#)
- [2015 Interoperability Standards Advisory: Best Available Standards and Implementation Specifications](#)

These coordinated responses will be led by Initiative members Jeff Benning (Lab Interoperability Cooperative) and Greg Linden (Stratis Health). The Minnesota Department of Health's Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT) will help convene stakeholders and collect responses.

We encourage stakeholder feedback from across the state and continuum of care through written feedback and/or participation in any of three conference calls. To participate in Minnesota's coordinated response, please address any or all of the questions posed by ONC and presented on the attached Word documents. Visit [MN e-Health Initiative Coordinated Responses](#) for details on how to provide feedback.

### Conference call feedback

Stakeholders can provide feedback during three conference calls scheduled for (all Central time):

- Friday, March 6, 2015, 12noon – 1:30pm (Interoperability Roadmap)
- Monday, March 23, 2015, 1:30-3:00pm (1/2 Interoperability; 1/2 Standards Advisory)
- Tuesday, April 7, 2015, 10:30-12noon (Standards Advisory)

Dial-in #: 1-888-742-5095

Access Code: 4477200226

### Written Feedback

Please use these Word documents to capture your comments:

- [Interoperability Roadmap feedback \(Word 106KB/4 pages\)](#) feedback due to OHIT at MDH by March 25, 2015
- [Standards Advisory feedback \(Word 102KB/4 pages\)](#) feedback due to OHIT at MDH by April 22, 2015

To support MDH staff as they compile comments, we encourage you to copy and paste your responses into our web forms at these links:

- [Interoperability Roadmap](#)
- [Standards Advisory](#)

If the web forms are not a feasible option for you, please send the Word document(s) by email to [mn.ehealth@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.ehealth@state.mn.us)

We also encourage organizations or associations to send comments directly to ONC. Please also send OHIT a copy by email to [mn.ehealth@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.ehealth@state.mn.us)

Please email any questions [mn.ehealth@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.ehealth@state.mn.us)

\*Comments are due to ONC on April 3 for the Interoperability Roadmap and May 1 for the Standards Advisory.

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## Learning Collaborative Advisory Committee Meeting Announcement

The Health Care Homes/State Innovation Model Learning Collaborative Advisory Committee meets Thursday, April 9, 2015, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Wellstone Center, in Room 212. The Wellstone Center is located at 179 Robie Street, St Paul, Minnesota 55107.

This learning collaborative will provide an opportunity for health care homes, Minnesota Accountable Health Model participants and state agencies to exchange information and enhance understanding related to quality improvement and best practices. The primary purpose of this group is to provide guidance and technical expertise to the Health Care Homes/ Minnesota Accountable Health Model Learning Collaborative.

For questions please email [Health.healthcarehomes@state.mn.us](mailto:Health.healthcarehomes@state.mn.us).

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## Authentic Engagement in Healthcare

May 1-3, 2015, St Paul, MN

This conference is designed for healthcare providers, administrators, managers, patients, students and residents interested in improving the health of individuals and communities. CME Available.

Several stubborn, complex issues exist in healthcare today. Leadership in healthcare genuinely seeks involvement from healthcare providers while those same healthcare providers feel they are not listened to. Silos exist in medicine and patients have difficulty navigating those silos; wandering the cornfields instead. Leaders struggle with how to engage communities in health when often they don't begin to understand a culture very different from their own. This complex world requires methods of engagement different from what we have been using.

This three day conference is experiential training in participative processes and a chance to learn how to implement, and leverage these tools to build collaborative, integrative healthcare communities. Change management, systems thinking, and the power of questions are among the concepts explored. Participants will demonstrate competency with practices through participation as well as opportunities to lead several proven methods designed to integrate and utilize diversity, discover the collective wisdom, encourage constructive conflict, and lead to sustainable solutions.

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## Save the Date: "Moving Forward Together: Building Healthy Minnesota Communities"

The Minnesota Department of Health - Health Care Homes Division, Department of Human Services and Minnesota Accountable Health Model – SIM Minnesota will be holding a [Learning Days](#) conference in spring 2015.

Dates: May 12-14, 2015

Where: River's Edge Conference Center St Cloud, MN.

Keynote: Dr. Jeffrey Brenner, Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers, Camden, New Jersey.

The conference is an opportunity for Minnesota health care home providers, State Innovation Model grantees, and community partners to gain new knowledge, form relationships, and exchange information about integrating health care, behavioral health, long-term and post-acute care, local public health, social services and consumers. The first day of the conference is a half day focusing on the State Innovation Model (SIM), with two tracks dedicated to SIM grantees only and two tracks with a SIM focus, but open to all conference attendees. The second day is a full day open to all attendees and will focus on both Health Care Homes (HCH) and SIM topics. Day three is a half day open to all attendees with a focus on Health Care Homes topics.

Conference registration and exhibitor registration is scheduled for March 2015.

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## 2015 Minnesota Summit on Prenatal Substance Use and Infant Exposure

More information is provided in the flyer attached.

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## Learning Community Grants to advance the Minnesota Accountable Health Model

As a part of the State Innovation Model (SIM) grant, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has awarded four Learning Communities grants to advance the Minnesota Accountable Health Model. The SIM project defines a Learning Community as a team that

- has common goals or interests,
- shares best practice knowledge and
- is actively engaged in implementing transformation in a focused, structured environment with the goal to advance patient-centered, coordinated and accountable care.

Three General Learning Community grants

General Learning Community grants focus on transformation projects; these are nine-month grants of up to \$50,000. MDH received seven requests for these grants totaling \$349,817. They funded three organizations for a total of \$149,830.

General Learning Community grant award recipients:

1. American Academy of Pediatrics- Minnesota Chapter (St Paul) Health Care Home and Behavioral Health Home Model: Pediatric Learning Community in Minnesota.
2. Center for Victims of Torture (St. Paul) Integration with Behavioral Health for war-traumatized refugee populations Learning Community in St. Cloud.
3. Rainbow Research, Inc. (Minneapolis) Emerging Professions Integration Learning Community with Community Health Workers (CHW) and Community Paramedics (CPs) in Minnesota.

#### One Accountable Community for Health Learning Community grant

The Accountable Community for Health (ACH) Learning Community grant focuses on topics specific to implementation of an ACH. MDH received three requests for this grant; these requests totaled \$597,754.79. There was one award for the (ACH) Learning Community grant.

Accountable Community for Health (ACH) Learning Community grant award recipient:

1. The National Rural Health Resource Center (Duluth) was funded the ACH Learning Community grant for \$198,404.79 until December 2016. The grant will provide technical support and peer learning opportunities for ACH teams throughout the state.

Minnesota's \$45 million State Innovation Model (SIM) grant makes these Learning Community grants possible. MDH and Department of Human Services (DHS) jointly received this federal grant in 2013 and are using funds to implement the [Minnesota Accountable Health Model](#). Learning Community projects must support the broad goal of the Minnesota Accountable Health Model to help its providers and communities work together to create healthier futures for Minnesotans. This is the first of three rounds of Learning Community grants from the Minnesota's SIM initiative.



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