



State Innovation Model (SIM)

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E-health Roadmaps to Advance the Minnesota Accountable Health Model RFP

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) requests proposals to develop and disseminate Minnesota e-Health Roadmaps to Advance the Minnesota Accountable Health Model (e-Health Roadmaps) for the settings of long-term and post-acute care, local public health, behavioral health, and social services. Each e-Health Roadmap will describe a path forward and a framework for a setting to enable providers to effectively use e-health to participate in the Minnesota Accountable Health Model. Proposals are due June 19.

SIM job posting

Accountable Communities for Health position is a two and a half year temporary position that directs the work of the Accountable Communities for Health activities for the Department of Human Services related to the implementation of a multi-agency, \$45 million statewide health reform grant initiative, referred to as the Minnesota Accountable Health Model. This individual works closely with peers managing this work at the Minnesota Department of Health. This initiative builds on existing statewide health reform efforts and is funded by a State Innovation Model (SIM) Testing Grant awarded by the CMS Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI). The SIM testing grant is administered and implemented jointly by the Minnesota Departments of Human Services and Health (DHS and MDH). The purpose of this position is to plan, develop and implement technical consultation, policy guidance, and oversight and coordination for Community Integration and Accountable Communities for Health activities. This person focuses on supporting community members and community providers engaging in implementation of Accountable Communities for Health and Community Integration activities necessary to participate in integrated health models such as accountable care organizations. To apply, visit <https://statejobs.doer.state.mn.us/JobPosting> and use SIM as a keyword to find the posting. This position closes June 4.

Applications for emerging professions integration grants due June 5

The goal of the Minnesota Emerging Professions Integration Grant Program is to foster the integration of emerging professions – Community Health Worker, Community Paramedic, and Dental Therapist/Advanced Dental Therapist – into the workforce in roles that support the broad goals of the Minnesota Affordable Health Model related to providing coordinated care, across settings, for complex patients, populations and models of accountable care. Up to \$180,000 will be available, for six grants of up to \$30,000 each, to support the integration of an emerging professional. Eligible applicants are any type of organization that has the capacity to employ an emerging professional. Applications are due June 5, 2014. For more information, contact Will Wilson 651-201-3842.

Are you ready for integrated care?

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement and the Lewin Group have produced a behavioral health integration capacity assessment tool. The purpose of the tool is to help behavioral health organizations evaluate their ability to implement integrated care in relation to three possible approaches: coordinate care, co-locate care, or build primary care capacity in-house.

HHS announces another round of SIM funding

This May the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services made up to \$730 million available as part of the State Innovation Model initiative to help states design and test improvements to their public and private health care payment and delivery systems. Project goals are to improve health, improve care, and decrease costs for consumers. Minnesota, as a recipient of first-round funds, is not eligible for this round of funds.

Minnesota e-Health Summit 2014 registration deadline is June 4

The registration deadline for the Minnesota e-Health Summit 2014 is June 4. Visit the Minnesota e-Health Summit 2014 website to download the brochure with more information. The session **"Leveraging e-Health to Achieve Coordinated Care and Accountable Health," on June 11 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. will** focus on e-health and accountable care. During this session, a panel of experts will discuss their strategies, experiences and future plans for using e-health to improve care transitions, care coordination and population health.

Minnesota Rural Health Conference is June 23-24

This year's conference will include sessions on the partnerships so important in health care today, operational effectiveness, patient engagement, and tools and resources across an array of rural health care topics. The Minnesota Rural Health Conference features innovative, local and state solutions to challenges while encouraging informed and visionary leadership for the future. Everyone interested in rural health is welcome to attend the conference June 23-24, 2014 in Duluth at the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center (DECC).



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