Dear colleagues,

In this newsletter, you will find:

- Studies, programs, and research from the Maimonides Department of Population Health recognized at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo
- Joining forces with Healthier Here, a Seattle-based network of health and social services providers transforming care for Medicaid beneficiaries
- A featured upcoming training on behavioral health for pediatric providers
- How to live stream tomorrow’s public forum on New York State’s 1115 Waiver Programs (including the DSRIP program)
- The year is winding down but the trainings keep coming! Scroll through for our list of December offerings.

Population Health Staff Deliver Six Presentations at American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo

While Brooklyn received its first snowfall of the season, five individuals were in San Diego sharing CCB’s work on a national stage.

Earlier this month, five staff members from the Maimonides Medical Center Department of Population Health, which provides management support for CCB, had the opportunity to present reports on our studies, programs, and research at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo in San Diego, CA. This conference was an excellent opportunity to showcase the exceptional talent of our team members and the hard work that goes into all of CCB’s programs—behind the scenes and in practice at your organizations and in your communities.
The topics that were discussed and the primary author for each presentation were:

**Community-Based Care Management and Criminal Justice: Applying a Care Transitions Model Across Sectors**
Magdalena Gordon, Director of Behavioral Health Care Management

**Demonstrating the Effect of Social Services on Population Health Outcomes and Costs Among Patients Engaged in Care Management in Brooklyn**
Rachel Leep, Senior Manager of Reporting and Evaluation

**Health Coaching Program Integrates Community Members Into Primary Care Settings to Improve Chronic Disease Management and Patient Engagement for Medicaid Population in Brooklyn, NY**
Melissa Black, Senior Manager of Program Implementation and Partner Engagement

**Moving the Needle on Outcomes in an Era of Health Care Reform: Ensuring Measurement of the Appropriate Patient Population**
Hannah Godlove, Senior Director of Analytics and Evaluation

**Studying Health and Wellness Interventions in Brownsville and East New York through Participatory Action Research**
Okenfe Lebarty, Senior Community Engagement Specialist

**Transforming the Delivery System for a Seriously Mentally Ill Population: Innovations in Care Coordination, Network Building, and Health Information Technology**
Magdalena Gordon, Director of Behavioral Health Care Management
**Stronger Together: CCB Supports Washington State’s Medicaid Transformation Project**

CCB leadership and staff met with counterparts from a similar government-funded population health organization in Seattle, WA to share lessons learned and build the foundation for a lasting partnership.

On November 5, CCB leadership and staff hosted a meeting with representatives from [Healthier Here](#), a network of medical, behavioral health, social service, and community providers committed to improving health and health equity and building an integrated delivery system in Seattle, WA.

Sound familiar?

Healthier Here is one of nine such partnerships formed in connection with the Healthier Washington Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP)—a new five-year program through which the federal government is investing in regional Medicaid delivery system improvements, focusing on large scale transformation to improve care for the whole person, reduce barriers to care, and use resources more wisely. Given the notable similarities between MTP and the NYS DSRIP program, CCB and Healthier Here met to discuss lessons learned by the CCB team over the years in domains such as project planning and implementation, investment strategy, and sustainability.

In health care, successful innovation and large scale transformation are often the result of successful collaboration (as participants in CCB, we hope you’ve realized that by now!). By cultivating strategic relationships with population health and health care professionals beyond the Brooklyn community and even New York State, we and organizations like ours are able to identify pervasive social and systematic issues affecting population health and use that information to design informed and effective interventions with the potential to change lives. We look forward to a continued, supportive partnership with Healthier Here, as they improve health outcomes in King County, Washington, while we continue our work here in Kings County, New York!

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**CCB to Host Pediatric Behavioral Health Training for PCPs**

Are you a pediatrician or family practice physician or nurse? Join us December 7 for a training on how to support patients with behavioral health concerns and to direct them to proper resources as needed.
You will not be surprised to learn that pediatricians and family practice doctors are often the first place that families go to seek help or information about emotional or behavioral concerns with their children. We are committed to ensuring that our primary care partners are equipped with the information and resources to address the full range of their patient’s needs.

On Friday, December 7, CCB is hosting a free, in-person Project TEACH training for pediatric primary care providers (physicians and NPs) and behavioral health specialists treating pediatric patients. This training will educate providers on key mental health issues afflicting young people in Brooklyn, including ADHD, depression, anxiety, and aggression, and equip them to provide skillful, prompt, and compassionate care to patients with these conditions. (Click [here](#) for training flyer.)

**Project TEACH** is a program funded by the New York State Office of Mental Health, which aims to strengthen and support pediatric primary care providers’ abilities to deliver care to children and families who experience mild to moderate mental health concerns.

This training will be held Friday, December 7, from 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM at the CCB Offices/Maimonides Medical Center Department of Population Health, 730 64th St. Brooklyn, NY 11220. **Registration for this training is required, so please register through the link below!**

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**TOMORROW: Public Forum on New York’s 1115 Waiver Programs**

*A day discussing DSRIP will be broadcast live for any interested parties. The webcast can be found through the link below.*

A public forum is being held **tomorrow** at the New York Academy of Medicine to discuss New York’s 1115 Waiver Programs, which include the DSRIP program. The day will begin with a working session of the DSRIP Project Approval and Oversight Panel followed by a public comment period beginning at 1:00 PM. Written comments may be submitted through December 7, 2018 to [1115waivers@health.ny.gov](mailto:1115waivers@health.ny.gov). Please include “1115 Public Forum Comment” in the subject line.

This meeting will be webcast live [here](#) and will be open to the public. No pre-registration is required. Individuals who wish to provide a five-minute comment in person are asked to register on-site no later than 2:00 PM and will speak in their order of registration.

**About the 1115 waiver:**

- The 1115 waiver is an agreement between the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and New York State that allows the State to use a managed care delivery system to deliver benefits to Medicaid members, create efficiencies in the Medicaid program, and enable the extension of coverage to certain individuals who would otherwise be without health insurance.

- The MRT waiver is a vehicle by which the State has implemented the initiatives of the Medicaid Redesign Team and subsequent health systems reforms, including the DSRIP program.

- New York’s goals in implementing the 1115 waiver include improving access to health services and achieving better health outcomes for New Yorkers through multiple programs.
UPCOMING INSTRUCTOR-LEAD TRAININGS

Unless otherwise noted, these trainings are held at the 1199SEIU Employment Center at 25 Elm Place, Brooklyn, NY. To offset some of the costs incurred by organizations to send certain staff to training, CCB provides its partners with stipends for the number of hours spent in training, and attendees may be eligible to receive CME or CEU credit. Click the links below to enroll.

- **Mental Health First Aid for Seniors** | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Disruptive Behavior: Escalation and De-escalation Techniques** | WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- **Motivational Interviewing** | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Social Determinants of Health & the Law: Behavioral Health, Safe Living, and Immigration** | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Upcoming Microsoft Excel Courses (trainees must attend both dates to receive credit for their selected course):

- **Basic Training for Registries** | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 & 11 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- **Advanced Training for Registries** | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 & 11 1:30 PM – 5:30 PM
- **Maximizing Registry Data: Advanced Excel Skills for Data Analysis** | THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 & 13 1:30 PM – 5:30 PM

ONLINE TRAININGS VIA CCB’S RESOURCE PORTAL

To access CCB’s catalog of CME or CEU-eligible online courses, existing users can log in to the CCB Resource Portal and browse the “My Training” section. New users can easily self-register to access these features (click below to watch a brief video explaining the registration process). Please contact support@CCBrooklyn.org if you have any questions or have any difficulty.

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