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NEWSLETTER

Dear colleagues,

In this newsletter, you will find:

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A Special Message from CCB Executive Committee Chair, Dr. David I. Cohen

The New York State Department of Health has released a draft DSRIP waiver extension proposal, which was submitted to CMS in mid-September. While this was a preliminary step towards a new or renewed DSRIP program, we are tracking the proposal's progress closely and will keep the CCB network informed as we learn of any updates.

Dear CCB partners,

As you may have seen, the New York State Department of Health released a draft waiver request to CMS for an additional \$8 billion over four years (April 2020 – March 2024) to build upon the promising practices currently underway through DSRIP and to address a number of additional goals. The waiver request is available [here](#) and the public comment period ends on November 4. There will be a public comment day on October 25 at 11:00am at Baruch College, 55 Lexington Ave, Room 12-220, New York, NY 10010. The Department of Health plans to submit the final waiver proposal to CMS on November 27, 2019 and expects to hear back by March 31, 2020.

Of the new priority areas identified, we are pleased to see the inclusion of **reducing maternal mortality, improving children's population health, addressing the opioid epidemic, and partnerships with the justice system**, as we have expanded current DSRIP initiatives to focus on these areas, and look forward to continuing our partnerships to further these efforts in the future.

Thank you for your continued engagement and partnership in this important work. We look forward to working with you going forward, and will be in touch to share additional information as we have it. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to CCB Support if you would like to discuss further.

David I. Cohen, M.D., MSc

Chair, CCB Executive Committee



CCB Hosts Training focused on Risk Stratification and Social Determinants of Health for Brooklyn Providers and Staff

Over 150 employees from Brooklyn primary care sites attended one of three CCB trainings to discuss best practices in key priority areas, in alignment with new contracts setting providers up for VBP.

Over the month of September, CCB staff delivered trainings on **risk stratification, social determinants of health, and trauma-informed care** to over 150 clinical providers, administrative leads, health coaches, and medical assistants representing over 80 medical practices. Presenters engaged participants through lively discussions on the importance of risk stratification and social determinants of health screening in primary care, as well as how to implement and operationalize these processes in the primary care setting.



The training was a required element of new Schedule B agreements, under which CCB will provide over \$13 million to support providers committed to engaging their whole practice in improving on these priority areas, which evidence suggests will be foundational for success in a VBP environment. Providers and staff left each session with new screening tools for social determinants of health and intimate partner violence and a risk stratification tool specifically designed in response to our partners' feedback and identified needs. Specific care interventions available for high-need patients through CCB, such as Health Home services, the CCB-NYLAG LegalHealth clinic, Homebase, and NowPow, were also discussed.

CCB staff will be supporting these practices throughout the duration of the contract period, beginning with readiness assessments, workflow redesign (as needed), EMR optimization, and providing ongoing support.

Feedback from the trainings was largely positive. We appreciate all of the attendees' engagement and look forward to continuing the journey with you on this important work!

Reminder: Complete UAAlbany DSRIP Survey now!

CCB partners actively engaged in DSRIP projects received a link to a survey evaluating DSRIP's impact in early September. If you received it, please complete it as soon as possible.

The DSRIP Independent Evaluator is conducting the final survey of engaged PPS partners. The survey includes questions about our partners' first-hand perceptions of DSRIP and how DSRIP has affected organizations and patients.

Previous surveys focused on DSRIP implementation and operation through fall 2017 (DY0-DY3) and operations in DY3-DY4. This year's survey is focused on DSRIP operations over the past 12 months (DY4-DY5) and the move to value-based payment. Your feedback is an essential part of determining whether we are achieving the goals of the DSRIP program.

Partners selected for the survey received a link to the survey from the University of Albany on September 9. The survey will be closing at the end of October, so please complete it as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Sarah Rain at srain@albany.edu or 518-437-3695. If you have questions about the Independent Evaluation, contact Wendy Weller, the Principal Investigator, at wweller@albany.edu or 518-402-0302.

Upcoming Population Health Conferences

Come chat with us and others groups in New York State leading the way to VBP!



WHEN: November 18-19

WHERE: Grand Hyatt New York, 109 E 42nd St. New York, NY

View the complete agenda and register [here](#).

The symposium will provide a forum to share the perspectives and insight of DSRIP Performing Provider Systems, physical and behavioral health providers, managed care organizations, and community organizations. The goal of the symposium is to provide a platform for discussing different perspectives on advancing VBP across New York State.

CCB management team members will be giving a presentation on CCB IPA, focusing on the entity's implementation of different VBP initiatives, including the Bundled Payments for Care Improvement – Advanced initiative and the Medicare Shared Savings Program.



WHEN: November 21, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

WHERE: Sheraton New York Times Square, 811 7th Avenue New York, NY

Register [here](#).

The summit has been designed to provide hospital systems, doctors, community-based organizations, and other health and social services providers insight into "life after DSRIP." Dr. David Cohen, Chair of CCB's Executive Committee will be speaking, along with Jason Helgerson, the former New York State Medicaid Director, and Israel Rocha Jr., CEO of NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst and of the OneCity Health PPS. Additional panel discussions will cover topics such as "DSRIP 1.0 – Lessons Learned Five Years Later" and "The Future of NY Medicaid."



ATTENTION: LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD

UPCOMING INSTRUCTOR-LED 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.

- [Advanced Care Management](#)* | WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 16 – DECEMBER 18 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- [Motivational Interviewing for Physicians](#) | MONDAY, OCTOBER 21 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- [Social Determinants of Health & the Law: Domestic Violence, Behavioral Health, and Immigration](#) | TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- [Motivational Interviewing](#) | WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- [De-escalation Techniques](#) | THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Upcoming Microsoft Excel Courses:

- [Basic Training for Registries](#)* | WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 & 13 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- [Advanced Training for Registries](#) | WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 & 13 1:30 PM – 5:30 PM
- [Maximizing Registries using Advanced Excel](#) | THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7 & 14 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

* Trainees **must** attend all sessions to receive credit for course

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.

Previously Recorded Primary Care Webinars:

[Advance Care Planning in the Seriously Ill—Best Practices in Goals Discussion](#)
[Social Determinants and Health Disparities](#)
[Team-based Care](#)
[Care Planning](#)
[Risk Stratification](#)
[Care Management](#)

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