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\$846,000 Cycle 3.5 P4R Funds Distributed to 26 AHI PPS Partner Organizations

On the heels of the AHI PPS releasing more than \$4.5 million to 71 partner organizations in early March for Pay-for-Reporting (P4R) Cycle 3.0, an additional \$846,000 was distributed on March 31 to 26 additional partner organizations as part of P4R Cycle 3.5. Payments were distributed based on the completion of DSRIP activities defined in project addenda. Once again, congratulations to our many PPS partners who have done such a tremendous job advancing the DSRIP projects for which they are involved.

AHI PPS Steering Committee Meeting Recap

The AHI PPS Steering Committee met yesterday, April 5, at Canton-Potsdam Hospital. Following is a brief recap of the highly-productive meeting:

- Kate Clark, AHI CAO, provided an update on DSRIP Program progress through DY2, and the AHI PPS's Operational Model of LEAN Continuous Rapid Cycle Improvement, which focuses on key initiatives to reduce Potentially Preventable ED Utilization and Readmissions, and improving access to Primary Care and Behavioral Health services.
- The Triad Leaders from the five regional Population Health Networks (Queensbury/Glens Falls, St. Lawrence County, Fulton County, Saranac Lake/Essex County and Plattsburgh) provided updates on partner linkages and workgroup activities/outcomes/progress.
- AHI CFO Eric Burton provided an update on contracting and funds flow to partners.
- AHI CIO Bob Cawley shared progress on system interoperability and data collection for performance reporting.
- Nancy Gildersleeve, AHI Executive Director of Community Assessment and Prevention, updated the committee on AHI's North Country Population Health Improvement Program "Clear the Air in the North Country" campaign to raise the minimum legal sale age of tobacco products to 21.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3.

Training Opportunity: Health Literacy Within the AHI PPS, April 27 and 28

AHI is hosting the second module of the Cultural Competency and Health Literacy (CCHL) training series, Health Literacy Within the AHI PPS. The session will focus on developing an understanding of health literacy, its role in providing high quality care and services, and resources for improving both organizational and individual health literacy.

Trainers and community-based organization (CBO) presenters will examine the impact of mental health and substance abuse on an individual's ability to advocate for and communicate with providers about their health and wellness. Evidence-based practices for promoting health literacy and improved health outcomes for individuals with mental health and substance abuse challenges will be presented and discussed.

Thursday, April 27, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., The Queensbury Hotel, Glens Falls. [Register](#) for this session.

Friday, April 28, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., The Queensbury Hotel, Glens Falls. [Register](#) for this session.

Individuals only need to attend one session. Seating is limited to 25 participants. Light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

This module is being offered again in other locations in May and June. We will soon share details of those sessions.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Melissa Davey at mdavey@ahihealth.org.

Training Opportunity: Evidence-based Health Coaching, May 18

The AHI PPS is sponsoring another CoachClinics® training on Evidence-based Health Coaching provided by the National Society of Health Coaches (NSHC). CoachClinic®, developed by clinicians for clinicians and allied health care providers, is based on existing clinical knowledge, skills, and experience of health care providers. NSHC's program provides the "nuts and bolts" of Evidence-based Health Coaching with Motivational Interviewing (MI) appropriate to health care and wellness settings through clinical case studies and practical application.

Thursday, May 18, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (registration begins at 8:00 a.m.), The Crowne Plaza, Lake Placid.

Read the [training flyer](#) for more information.

[Register](#) for the session by May 13.

Tobacco Use Reduction Task Force Continues to Seek Support for Raising Tobacco Product Sales Age, Simplifies Process for Signing Statement of Support

The North Country Population Health Improvement Program's Tobacco Use Reduction Task Force continues to seek support from AHI PPS partners for reducing tobacco use and raising the minimum legal sales age for tobacco products throughout the region to 21 years of age. The group encourages partners to express their backing of the "It's Time to Clear the Air in the North Country" initiative by completing and signing a Statement of Support. For the sake of expediency, the form is now a fillable PDF requiring only the date, organization name and your electronic signature.

Complete and sign the [Statement of Support](#). Completed documents can be submitted via email to phip@ahihealth.org.

Visit [HealthyADK](#) for more information about the initiative. To get involved in the effort, contact Tom Tallon, AHI PHIP Manager, at phip@ahihealth.org, or 518.480.0111, ext. 306.

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