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### AHI PPS Earns 99% Achievement Value Score

The NY State Department of Health (NYS DOH) has awarded the AHI PPS a 99% Achievement Value (AV) Score for the most recent reporting period. This score means the PPS has earned more than \$5.5 million for our nine-county region for the quarter ending March 31, 2016. The PPS closed out DSRIP Year 1 with a near perfect performance having earned 100% achievement value in DSRIP Quarters 2 and 3 for total earnings of \$28.1 million dollars of a possible \$28.2 million dollars. "To be in the top half of PPSs statewide is a testament to our dedicated Partners working toward health care transformation," said Margaret Vosburgh, Chief Executive Officer, AHI.

The AHI PPS achieves payments from the NYS DOH on a performance basis. The funds are paid to our PPS upon demonstration of meeting reporting and performance objectives. Achievement Values (AV) are based on completion of important milestones and metrics in the organization's implementation plan. The AV Scorecard is an indication of how many Achievement Values the PPS has earned as compared to the number available. In this quarter, the AHI PPS earned 171 AV of a possible 173 AV. The two projects for which the PPS did not achieve 100% of the achievement value were due to Patient Engagement Speed and Scale for Project 2.a.ii – Advancing Primary Care and Project 2.d.i - Patient Activation. Vosburgh said, "We knew at the time of the quarterly submission that we fell short of the State's targets. We are making changes to our operating structure that in combination with changes to billing and coding practices and contract management will result in improvement by the reporting period ending March 31, 2017.

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## Value Based Payment Survey

One of the goals of the DSRIP program is to develop the infrastructure for successful transition to Value Based Payment (VBP). As part of AHI - Adirondack Health Institute's responsibilities as a Performing Provider System (PPS), the AHI PPS must lead and coordinate the efforts of its partners to transition to VBP for the Medicaid program over the five-year DSRIP project period. One of the initial requirements of the AHI PPS is to establish a VBP Baseline Assessment of its Partners in order to develop a tailored roadmap to VBP for the communities served. To meet this requirement, the primary contact at all PPS Partner organizations received electronic correspondence on Thursday, August 11, from Eric Burton, Chief Financial Officer, AHI, regarding a PPS Value Based Payment Survey. A response from every Partner regardless of VBP participation is required.

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## Glens Falls Hospital Seeks Grant to Establish Opiate Detox Program

Local community stakeholders convened this week to discuss and strategize options for creating an opiate detoxification program at Glens Falls Hospital. The hospital applied in the past for a grant to combat opioid and substance abuse, however, did not receive funding. Community members seek to re-apply for the grant which will be used for an ambulatory detox program for patients who are medically stable and do not need to be hospitalized. Patients will use support and crisis services to make sure they have a stable and successful recovery. AHI plans to facilitate the re-application process by seeking grant funding from Medicaid Redesign, as the opiate detox program falls under DSRIP Projects 3.a.ii and 3.a.iv.

For more information, please visit the [Post-Star](#).

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## NCQA's Online Learning Program, "Strategies for Success as a Patient-Centered Medical Home," Now Available Free to All Practices

NCQA offers educational tools and resources to recognized practices to help them make the most of the medical home model of care. NCQA's online learning program, *Strategies for Success as a Patient-Centered Medical Home*, is a place where medical practices can share ideas and resources, bounce ideas off of each other, and improve patient care.

More than 400 practices, including clinicians and support staff, have registered for this program and are utilizing this complimentary resource. NCQA believes that every practice could benefit from Strategies for Success, therefore they announced the program is now available to all practices, not only to practices with recognition.

To access Strategies for Success educational tools and resources, please visit the [NCQA Blog](#).

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## Advocates' Guide to Implementing Value-Based Insurance Design

Families USA, The Voice for Health Care Consumers, has published a general guide to Implementing Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) programs across different settings. Around the country, advocates working to improve the health outcomes and value that our health care system delivers, are exploring ways to implement VBID. This guide explains federal and state policy options for expanding the adoption of value-based private health insurance. It also offers tips to advocates to help them ensure that VBID models are truly promoting patients' access to high-value care, and are targeting the health care conditions of highest need.

To access the complete guide, please visit [Families USA, The Voice for Health Care Consumers](#).

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## FCC Connect2Health Task Force Unveils Broadband Health Mapping Tool

The Federal Communications Commission's Connect2Health Task Force recently launched *Mapping Broadband Health in America*, a web-based mapping tool that will enable and inform more efficient, data-driven decision making at the intersection of broadband and health. By allowing users to ask and answer questions about broadband and health at the county and census block levels, the tool provides critical data that can help drive broadband health policies and connected health solutions for this critical space.

The mapping tool is an interactive experience, showing various aspects of connectivity and health for every state and county in the United States. Users can generate customized maps that display broadband access, adoption and speed data alongside various health measures (e.g., obesity, diabetes, disabilities, and physician access) in urban and rural areas. These maps can be used by both public and private sectors and local communities to identify not only gaps, but also opportunities.

For more information, visit [Mapping Broadband Health in America](#) on the FCC website.

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