

Community-Created Health Care Solutions

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Overview

Local Delivery System Models Workgroup

- ✓ No single viable model for ensuring access to needed health services
- ✓ Delivery system must be responsive to its unique environment, populations, and infrastructure



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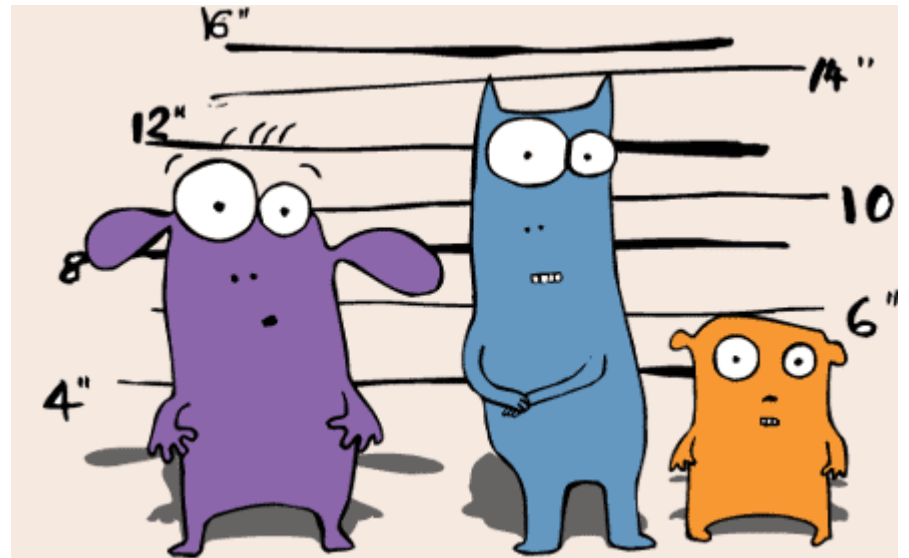
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Work Group Charge

- ✓ Identify local innovation
- ✓ Catalogue lessons learned
- ✓ Disseminate findings



Work Group Charge

- Policy changes
- Technical assistance needs
- State agency support



Community-Created Solutions?

Ensure access



Improve health outcomes



Community-Created Solutions?

Involve sharing the risks and rewards across stakeholders



Community-Created Solutions?

Engage multiple, diverse
public & private
stakeholders



Community-Created Solutions?

Need community leaders
or “champions”



Community-Created Solutions?

Leverage financial commitments from stakeholders



Community-Created Solutions?

Coordinate the process of delivering comprehensive health services



Community-Created Solutions?

Offer significant stability
to the local health care
system



Community-Created Solutions?

Politically challenging &
time consuming



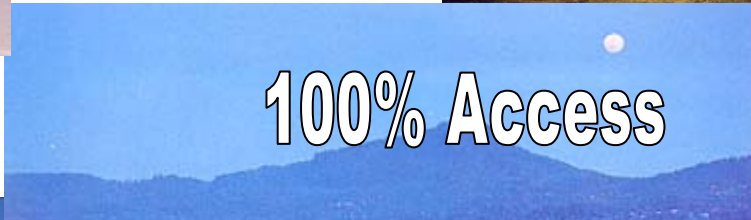
Who?



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100% Access



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Community-Created Solutions

- ✓ Central Oregon Health Care Collaborative
- ✓ 100% Access Coalition
- ✓ Northeast Oregon Network
- ✓ Samaritan Health Services
- ✓ Tri-County Safety Net Enterprise

Community-Created Solutions

- ✓ 15 counties
- ✓ 34 key informants
- ✓ Public-private collaboration
- ✓ Innovation
- ✓ Geographic diversity
- ✓ Different stages of design and implementation

Lessons Learned



Community collaborative efforts require sharing risks and rewards

Risks

- ✓ Competition to consensus building
- ✓ Work collectively rather than autonomously
- ✓ Lack of success

Rewards

- ✓ Greater efficiency
- ✓ Cost-savings
- ✓ Improved access and health outcomes
- ✓ Greater influence with policy makers
- ✓ Leverage funding

Require the participation of diverse stakeholders

- ✓ Public and private partners
- ✓ Different disciplines
- ✓ Different sectors

Community leadership or “champions” are fundamental

- ✓ Share a vision of what change should look like
- ✓ Authority to make institutional changes and allocate resources

Stakeholders must be willing to make financial commitments to the effort

- ✓ Seed money
- ✓ Donated staff
- ✓ Donated facilities and technical equipment

***Seek to provide coordinated,
comprehensive health care services***

- ✓ Build on the efforts of existing safety net
- ✓ Develop information system across institutions - interfacing
- ✓ Integrate services

Long-term goal of community-created solutions is to create stable, sustainable local health care systems

- ✓ Committed and trusted leadership
- ✓ Time
- ✓ Short- and long-term outcomes
- ✓ Shared vision and understanding
- ✓ Clear and ongoing relationships

Time-consuming and politically challenging

- ✓ Turf
- ✓ History
- ✓ Change



How Can the State Support?



View and recognize communities as equal and unique partners

- ✓ Recognize the important role of communities in improving the delivery of health care
- ✓ Learn from innovations at the local level
- ✓ Involve community stakeholders in a meaningful and on-going fashion
- ✓ “*One size doesn’t fit all*”
- ✓ Actively support the development of community-created solutions

Support and strengthen the health care safety net

- ✓ Establish and support safety net policies, programs, and services
- ✓ Further strengthen infrastructure responsible for supporting Oregon's safety net
- ✓ Devote adequate funding and staffing for efforts that support safety net development and involvement
- ✓ Encourage the growth of health care safety net providers
- ✓ Provide information, referral, and technical assistance

Provide the “connective tissue” between communities

- ✓ Share information and data relating to best practices
- ✓ Provide opportunities/venues for peer learning

Ensure technical assistance is offered to interested communities

- ✓ Help build an integrated information system
- ✓ Gather local/regional health data
- ✓ Help interpret data
- ✓ Assist w/ grants
- ✓ Assist with evaluation
- ✓ Provide consultation
- ✓ Support Office of Rural Health's CHIP

Create flexible and supportive policies

- ✓ Seek ways to individualize approaches and remove barriers
- ✓ Support local solutions to delivering and financing
- ✓ Ensure adequate supporting and funding for prevention/public health and chronic care management

Make financial investments in community innovation

- ✓ Stabilize publicly funded programs
- ✓ Provide “seed money”
- ✓ Target grant funding

Conclusion

- ✓ Delivery of services is local
- ✓ Communities recognize the need to do business differently
- ✓ Stakeholders are collaborating with unlikely partners
- ✓ One size doesn't fit all
- ✓ Supportive public policy is needed
- ✓ Government technical assistance is needed