

Purpose: There exists a number of opportunities within and outside of BPHC to support health center quality improvement activities. This tip sheet provides a brief overview of 4 opportunities available to health centers.

ACCREDITATION INITIATIVE

Eligibility:

- All Section 330 funded grantees; application process begins with submitting a Notice of Interest (NOI).

Key Programmatic Content:

- Grantees can choose the Joint Commission or Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) to gain accreditation status for their organization.
- Both accrediting organizations offer a PCMH product.
- Accreditation of the entire organization is available including ambulatory care, laboratory, behavioral health through an on-site survey.
- Average amount of time needed to become accredited: 9-12 months.
- Accreditation period of 3 years.
- HRSA Accreditation Website: <http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/accreditation/>

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NCQA PATIENT CENTERED MEDICAL HEALTH HOME INITIATIVE

Eligibility:

- All Section 330 funded grantees and FQHC Look-Alikes; application process begins with submitting a Notice of Interest.

Key Programmatic Content:

- Recognition is accomplished through the completion of an online survey tool. Recognition is provided at the site level. Each individual site must complete the online survey.
- Recognition period of 3 years.
- Average amount of time needed to become recognized: 9-12 months.
- HRSA PCMHHI Website: <http://bphc.hrsa.gov/policiesregulations/policies/pal201101.html>

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CMS FQHC ADVANCED PRACTICE PRIMARY CARE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Eligibility:

- Section 330 grantees and FQHC Look-Alikes; application is by written invitation from CMS.
- Invitations are provided at the site level.

- Sites must have served at least 200 Medicare Fee-for-Service patients in the past 12 months through Medicare's fee-for-service product.
- Sites must receive claims payment through EFT.

Key Programmatic Content:

- Includes an evaluation study of PCMH ACP practice transformation.
- At the end of the 3 year project period, grantees are expected to have Achieved Level III NCQA PCMH recognition.
- Participants will receive a \$6 per member per month care management fee paid by CMS quarterly.
- Additional Information is located on the CMS Website at: <http://www.fghcmedicalhome.com/>

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FY2011 PCMH SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**Eligibility:**

- All Section 330 funded grantees.

Key Programmatic Content:

- One time supplemental funding of \$35,000 to support PCMH readiness activities.
- Grantees are required to submit a 6- and 12-month progress report. In addition, grantees will be required to submit an NOI to any PCMH initiative, federal or state, by the end of the 1-year funding period.
- PCMH Supplemental TA website: <http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/assistance/pcmh/>

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