

Unleashing the Power of Communities to Improve Health through the Pathways HUB Model




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Who is in the Room?

»» What do you hope
to learn about the
Pathways Community HUB Model
in this session?

Agenda

- Ohio Health Disparities
 - Pathways Community HUB Model
 - HUB Outcomes
 - Strategies for integrating the HUB with Clinical Providers and Community Partners
 - Contracting for Outcomes
 - HUB Staffing
 - Managing Data Across Systems
 - Building partnerships with policy makers to address health disparities through the HUB
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Health Disparities

» Preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations.

Source: CDC

2011 Infant Mortality Rankings by State & Race

| Total | | IMR | Caucasian | | IMR | African American | | IMR |
|------------|----------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|
| USA | | 6.07 | USA | | 5.12 | USA | | 11.51 |
| 50 | Mississippi | 9.38 | 50 | Delaware | 7.66 | 50 | Ohio | 15.45 |
| 49 | Delaware | 8.71 | 49 | Indiana | 7.13 | 49 | Oklahoma | 14.93 |
| 48 | Louisiana | 8.24 | 48 | Maine | 6.76 | 48 | Wisconsin | 14.34 |
| 47 | Alabama | 8.21 | 47 | Wyoming | 6.63 | 47 | Iowa | 13.85 |
| 46 | Ohio | 7.88 | 46 | Mississippi | 6.6 | 46 | Kansas | 13.48 |
| 45 | Indiana | 7.69 | 45 | West Virginia | 6.47 | 45 | Missouri | 13.45 |
| 44 | South Carolina | 7.42 | 44 | Ohio | 6.39 | 44 | Michigan | 13.36 |
| 43 | Arkansas | 7.39 | 43 | Rhode Island | 6.37 | 43 | Illinois | 13.14 |
| 42 | Tennessee | 7.39 | 42 | Arkansas | 6.22 | 42 | Mississippi | 13.1 |
| 41 | North Carolina | 7.23 | 41 | Alabama | 6.16 | 41 | Alabama | 13.06 |
| 40 | Oklahoma | 7.23 | 40 | Tennessee | 6.14 | 40 | Colorado | 12.75 |

Ohio Preterm Birth Costs – 2013

- ▶ Medicaid paid for 52.4% of all Ohio births (70,479 deliveries)
- ▶ Medicaid cost for prenatal and delivery care = \$596,126,541
- ▶ Preterm birth rate: Medicaid = 13.79% vs. non-Medicaid = 10.6%
- ▶ 9,719 Medicaid births were preterm (13.79%)
- ▶ Estimated 2012 preterm birth rate cost = \$38,438

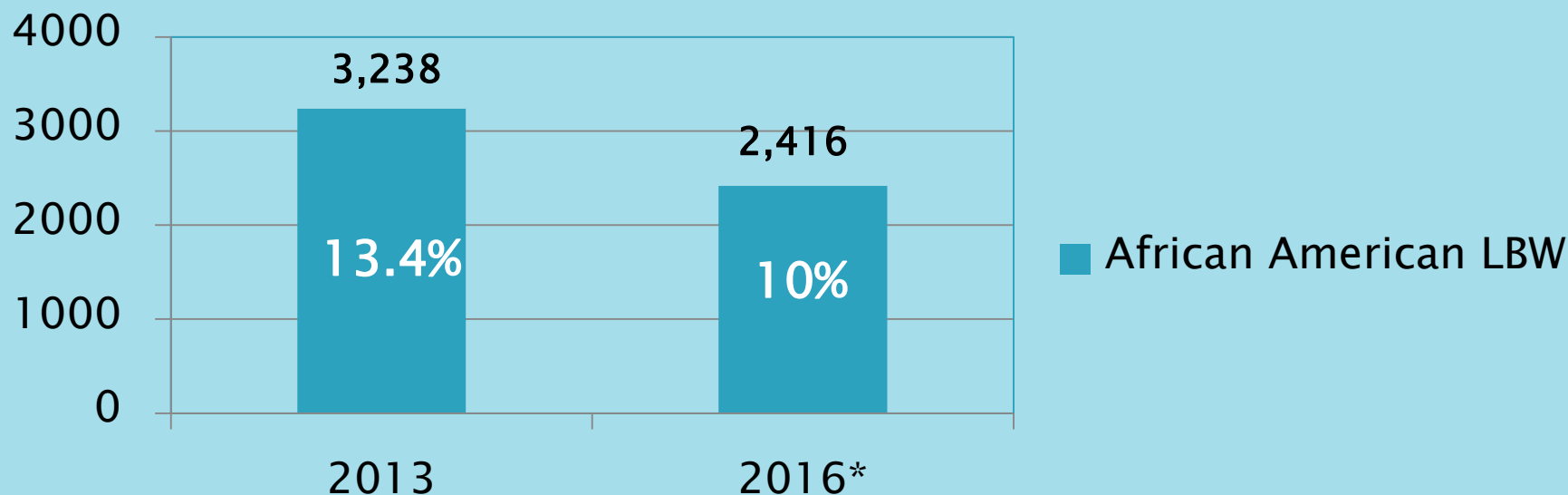
$$9,719 \times \$38,438 = \$373,578,922$$

in one year

Improving Health and Reducing Cost

Ohio is ranked 50th in the Nation for AA Infant Mortality

African American LBW

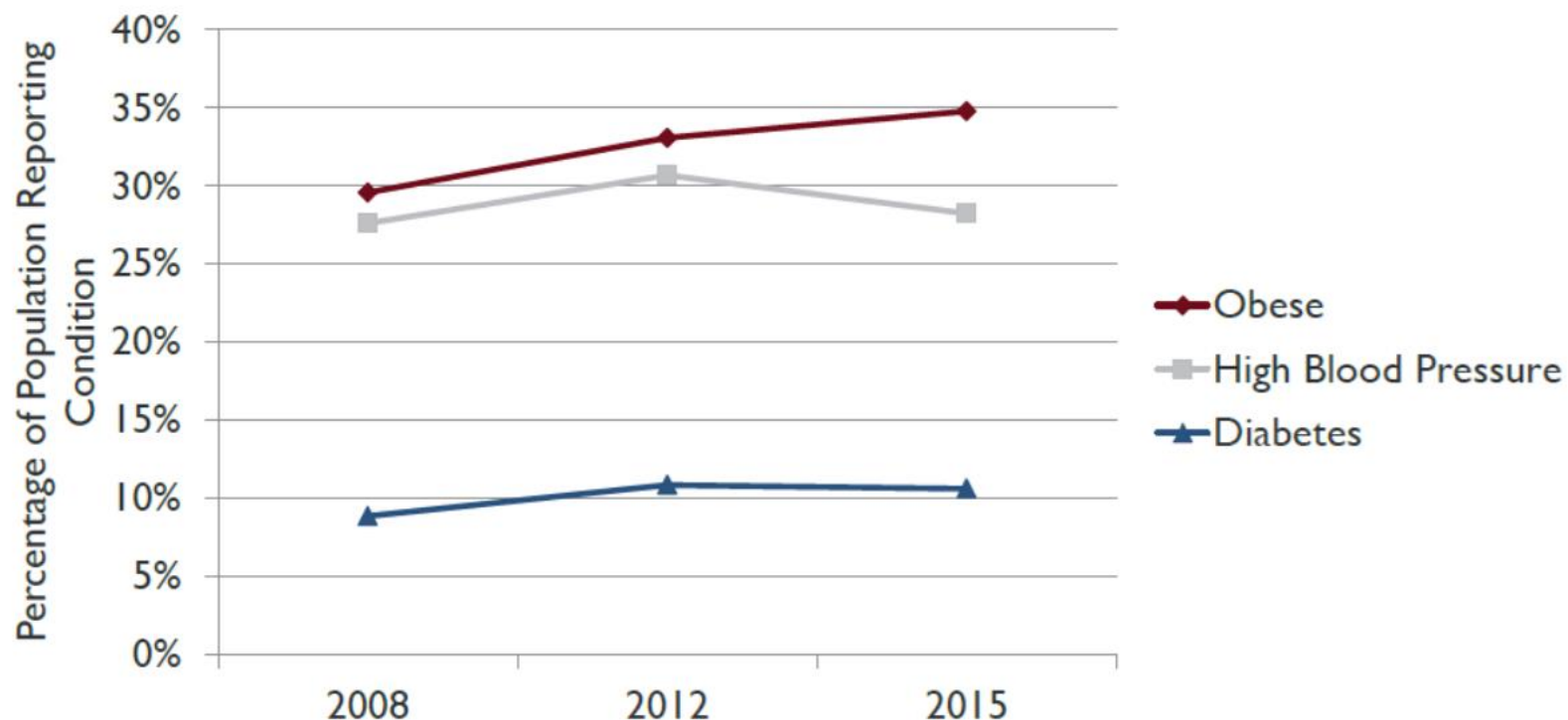


Reducing the African American Low Birth Weight rate to 10% by 2017 will prevent 822 Low Birth Weight Babies and will save \$28 million in healthcare costs alone.

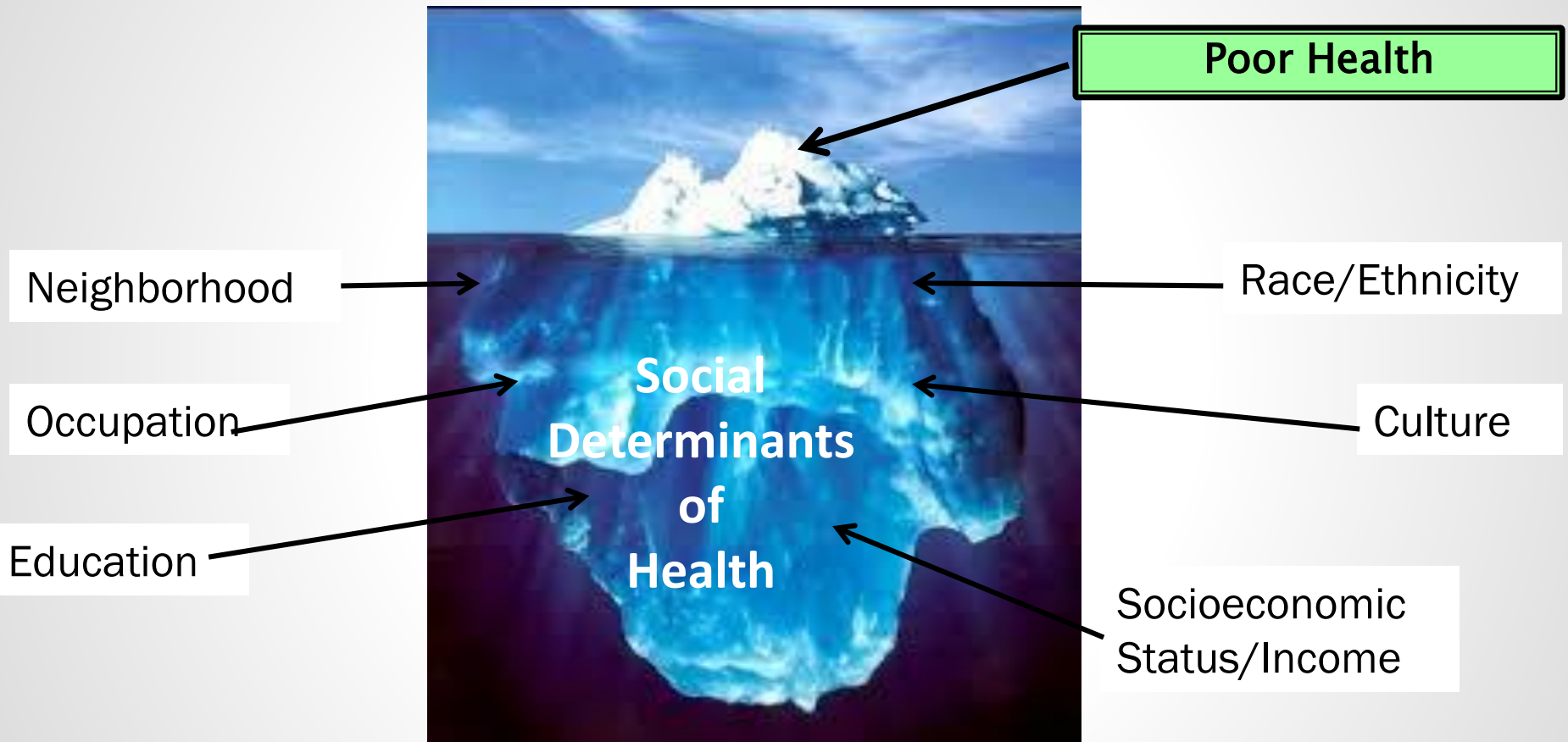
*assumes same number of births as 2013

Trends in Chronic Conditions

All Adults 19-64 Years



The Problem Runs Deep



10–15%

Health
Care

Behavioral
Health

Healthy

Health Insurance
Primary Care
Specialty Care
Screenings

Substance use
Depression
Domestic Violence
Anxiety

Employment

Job Readiness
Self Esteem
Application help
Resources

Social
Services

Food
Clothing
Housing
Utilities
Transportation

Education

Childhood
Adult
Personal Health
Employment



How Can We Address Health Disparities?

» Pathways
Community HUB
Model

***The Pathways Community HUB Model
creates an effective way for organizations to
work toward common goals.***



**Common Goal= Reducing Health
Disparities/Improve
health & barriers to care**

Pathways Model:

A Tool to Measure Outcomes

1- Find

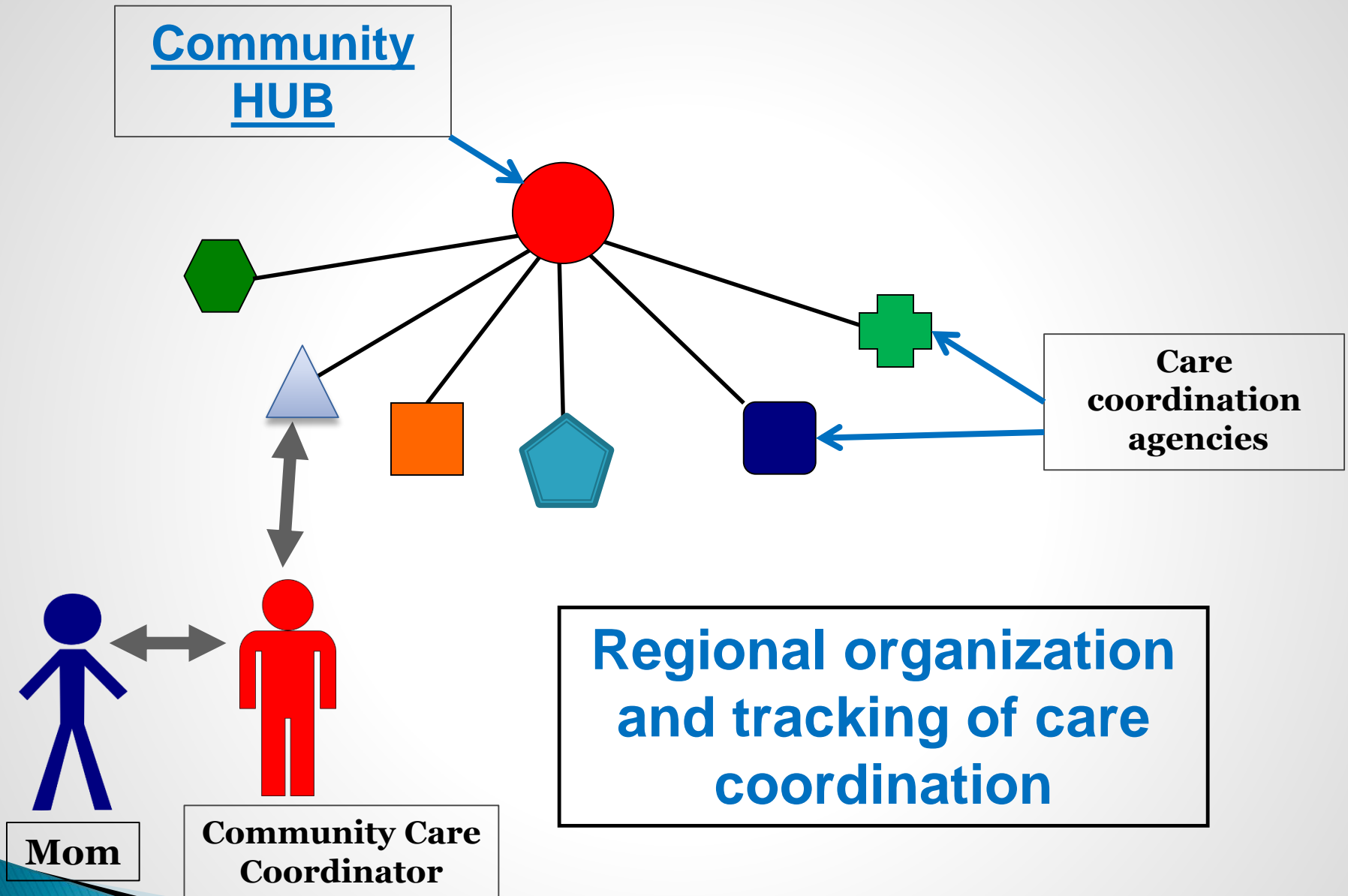
Target Population - Find
those at greatest risk

2 - Treat

Confirm connection to
evidence-based care

3 - Measure

Measure the results:
OUTCOMES



The Role of the HUB

- **Neutral Forum and Facilitator**
- **Grant & Contract Management**
 - Medicaid Managed Care
 - Grants
 - Care Coordinating Agency Contracts
- **Service Development & Implementation**
 - Manage outcomes and payments
 - Facilitate Care Coordinators and Advisory Committee
 - Link between Medicaid Managed Care and Care Coordination Agencies
- **Building CHW Workforce**
- **Evaluation and Quality Assurance**

National Certification

Form B: Certification Standards
Rockville Institute,
Kresge Grant: 245873



Communities
JOINED IN ACTION
Empowering People • Elevating Expectations



HUB Certification Pre-requisites & Standards

Pre-requisites

- 1) The Pathways Community HUB (HUB) must be an established community-based organization.
- 2) The HUB has utilized the HUB model for a minimum of six months.
- 3) The HUB is the only HUB in its regional service area.
- 4) The HUB has documentation of coordinating a network of agencies, comprised of a minimum of two agencies, each having at least one care coordinator with assigned caseloads of active at-risk clients identified within the agency's respective service area.
- 5) The HUB is able to contract with more than one payer on behalf of participating agencies.
- 6) The HUB is tracking outcomes using standard Pathways.
- 7) The HUB ties measured outcomes and results to dollars within financial contracts with payers.
- 8) The HUB has written program requirements and documentation to include client eligibility for services.
- 9) The HUB has written policies to ensure HIPAA-compliant client privacy and personal health information protections.
- 10) The HUB is an independent legal entity or an affiliated component of a legal entity.
- 11) The HUB is free of actual and perceived conflicts of interest (e.g., the HUB cannot employ care coordinators).

HUB Standards

20 Core Pathways – National Certification

- Adult Education
- Employment
- Health Insurance
- Housing
- Medical Home
- Medical Referral
- Medication Assessment
- Medication Management
- Smoking Cessation
- Social Service Referral
- Behavioral Referral
- Developmental Screening
- Developmental Referral
- Education
- Family Planning
- Immunization Screening
- Immunization Referral
- Lead Screening
- Pregnancy
- Postpartum

Pathways Community HUB Model

- ▶ Removes “silos” and fragmentation
- ▶ Uses existing community resources efficiently and effectively
- ▶ Focuses on common metrics to identify & track risks (risk reduction)
- ▶ Holistic community care coordination
- ▶ Pays for outcomes – sustainable
- ▶ Owned by the community/region

Pathways Community HUB Model Endorsers



Ohio Commission On
Minority Health



Institute for
Healthcare
Improvement



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People™



Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Advancing Excellence in Health Care



Ohio
Department of Health



National Science Foundation
WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN

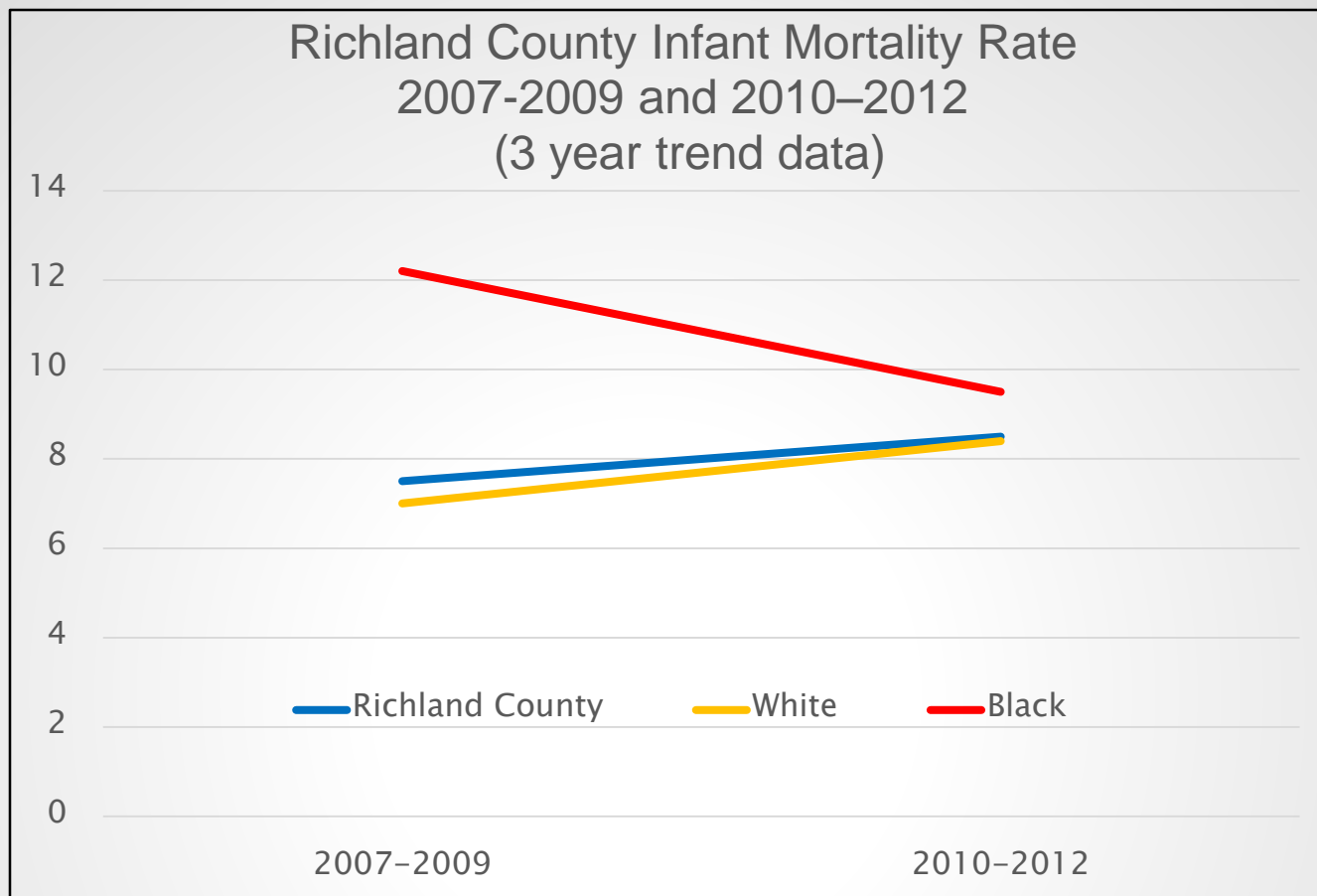


National Institutes of Health
Turning Discovery Into Health

The CMS Innovation Center

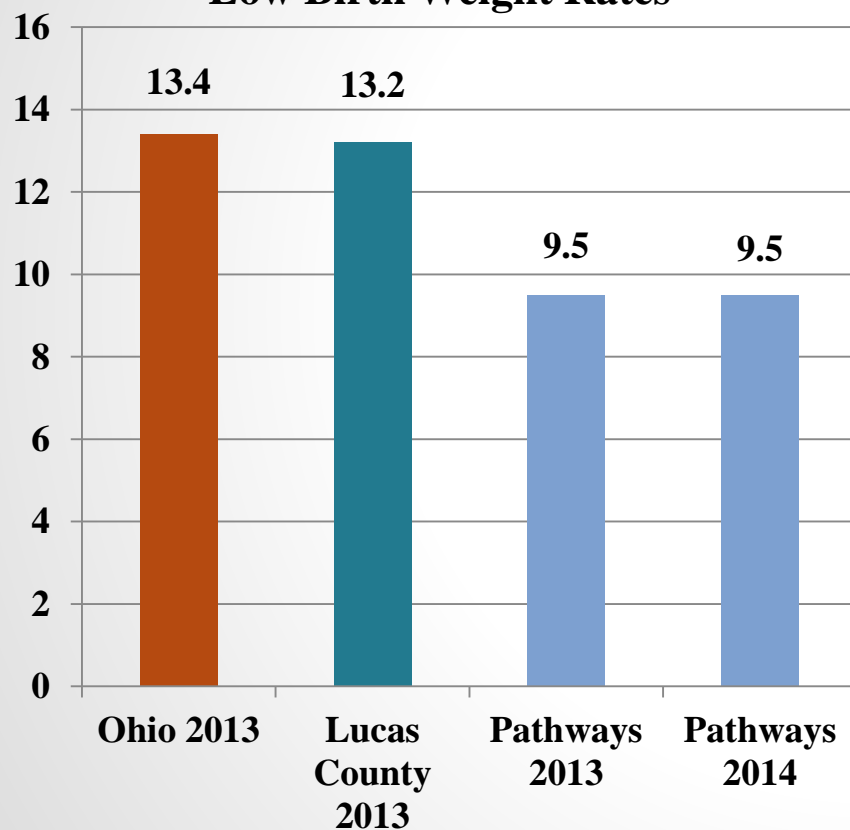
HUB Outcomes



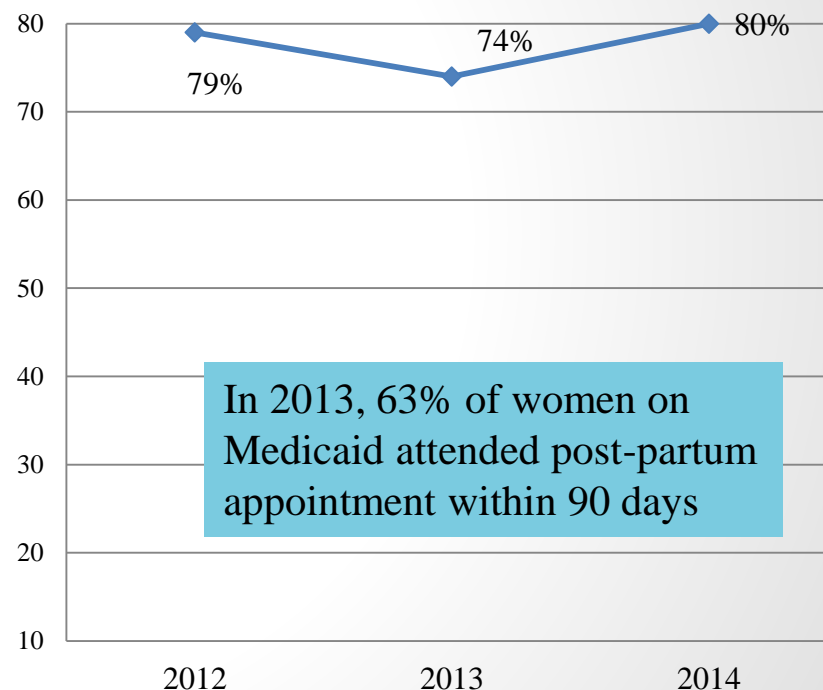


| | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Infant Deaths Total | 15 | 6 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 6 |
| White Deaths | 11 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 5 |
| Black Deaths | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Births, Total** | 1,606 | 1,523 | 1,517 | 1,339 | 1,353 | 1,410 |
| White Births | 1,436 | 1,365 | 1,353 | 1,199 | 1,220 | 1,260 |
| Black Births | 170 | 158 | 164 | 140 | 133 | 150 |

Lucas County African American Low Birth Weight Rates



Percentage of NW Ohio Pathways Clients Attending Post-Partum Appointment 2012-2014



Pathways Pregnancy Outcomes

(2007–14)

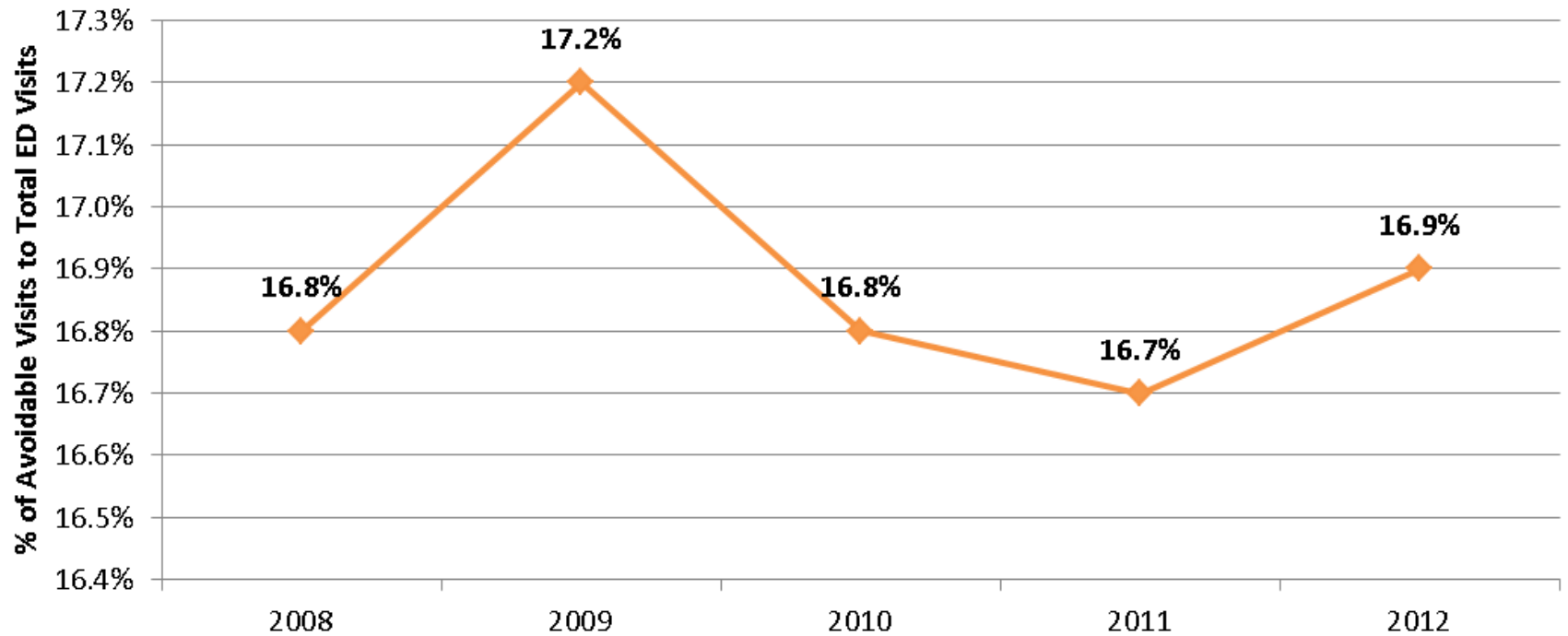
- 64% of clients from high risk neighborhoods
- Average number of prenatal visits – 7.6
- 87% delivered a full term baby (excluding twins)
- 89% delivered a healthy birth weight baby (excluding twins)
- 28% enrolled in 1st trimester; 52% enrolled in 2nd trimester
- Upward trend of a completed postpartum visit – 57% . . .
80% in 2014
- Low birth weight deliveries trending downward – 11%

Pregnancy Pathway Outcomes (2010–2013)

- ▶ 70% of clients come from high-risk neighborhoods (IMR – 5.8%)
- ▶ Average number of prenatal visits – 9.5 prenatal visits
- ▶ 83% delivered full term babies with birth weight >2500 gms.
- ▶ 40% enrolled in 1st trimester; 45% enrolled in 2nd trimester
- ▶ Trend of successful completion of postpartum visit rates – 58% of Moms completed in 2013
- ▶ Low birth weight deliveries trending downward: 11.9% (2010) – 9.7% (2013)

Avoidable Visits

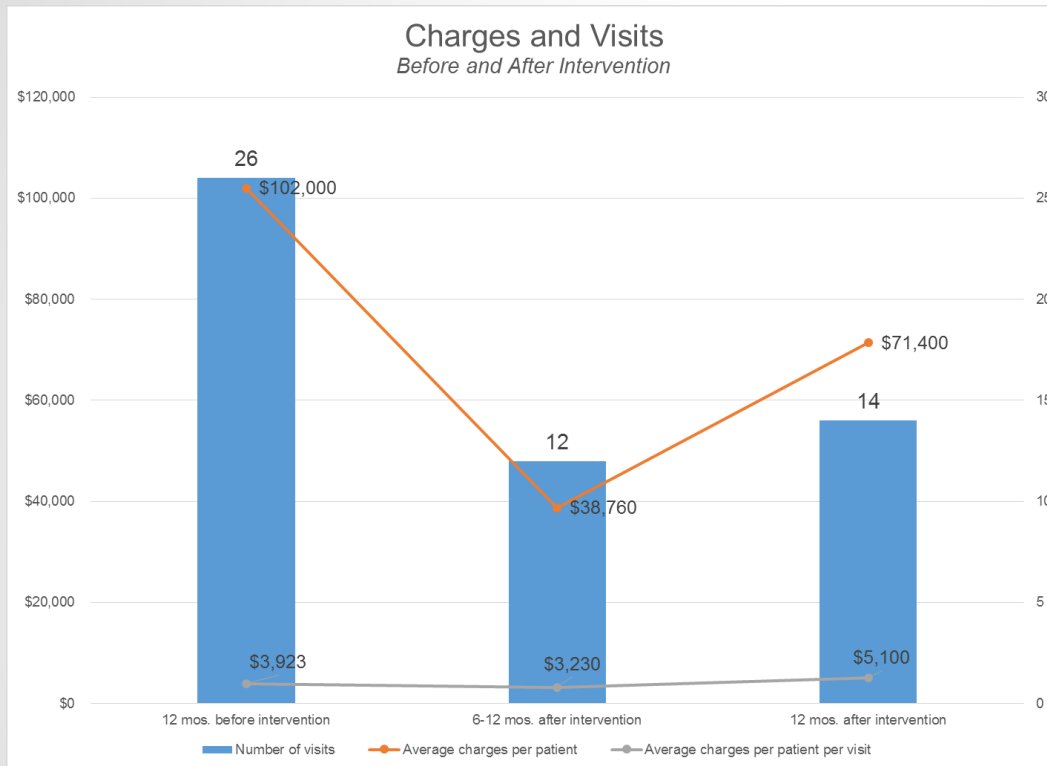
Greater Cincinnati Region
2008-2012



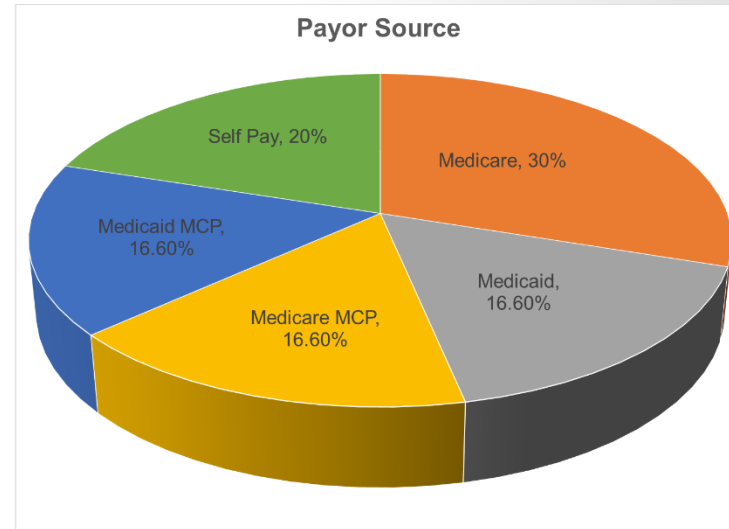
Source: GCHC

HCAN ED Super Utilizer Results – 2014

(n=30)



The average charge per visit suggests that visits that were reduced (or avoided) may have been lower acuity and therefore avoidable. The increase in the average charge after 12 months suggests that the intensity of services for those visits was higher; making it more likely that it was an appropriate ED visit. Further data analyses are needed to explore these assumptions.



Source: Health Care Access Now, 2014

Pre/Post Intervention Utilization

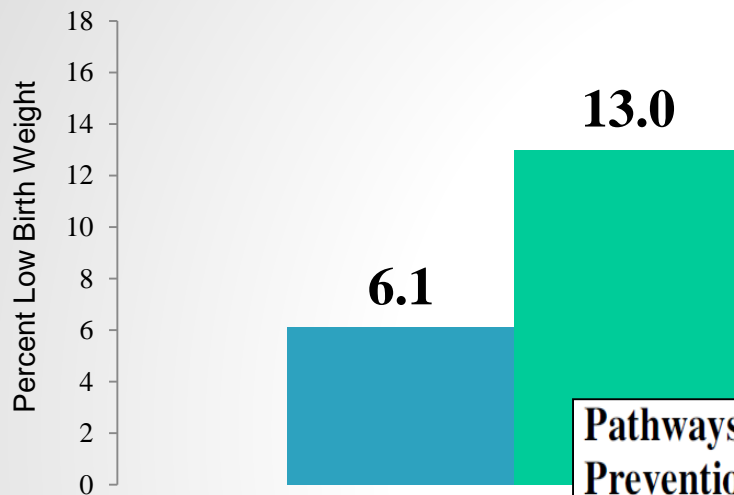
Average Client Prior to Intervention:

- 22 ED Visits in 12 months, total charges ~\$147,000

Results

- After 6 months of Enrollment
- Reduced ED Visits by 52%
- Reduced charges by 54%
- After 12 months of Enrollment
- Reduced ED Visits by 40%
- Reduced charges by 7% (if two non-compliant clients removed, charges reduced by 29%)

Published Study on Results



**Pathway intervention
over 4 years**

Cost Savings: \$3.36 for 1st
year of life; \$5.59 long-term
for every \$1 spent

Pathways Community Care Coordination in Low Birth Weight Prevention

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Abstract The evidence is limited on the effectiveness of home visiting care coordination in addressing poor birth outcome, including low birth weight (LBW). The Community Health Access Project (CHAP) utilizes community health workers (CHWs) to identify women at risk of having poor birth outcomes, connect them to health and social

Women participating in CHAP and having a live birth in 2001 through 2004 constituted the intervention group. Using birth certificate records, each CHAP birth was matched through propensity score to a control birth from the same census tract and year. Logistic regression was used to examine the association of CHAP participation

Strategies for integrating HUB with Clinical Providers and Community Partners



Patient Centered Medical Homes

- ▶ Developing interdisciplinary/multilevel teams in outpatient clinics and PCP sites
- ▶ Community care coordination to provide the social connectedness and filling gaps in case management
- ▶ Support care transition services – better match between the level of service needed (non clinical care)

HUB Referrals

- ▶ Getting to 1: Assessment & Referral
- ▶ Embed social determinant questions in electronic health record
- ▶ Health plans
- ▶ Canvassing neighborhoods

HUB Staffing & Contracts



Workforce Development Opportunities & Challenges

- ▶ Community health worker career path
- ▶ Community Health Worker Certification
- ▶ CHW Job Coaching

New CHWs from Medicaid funded training at the University of Toledo 2015





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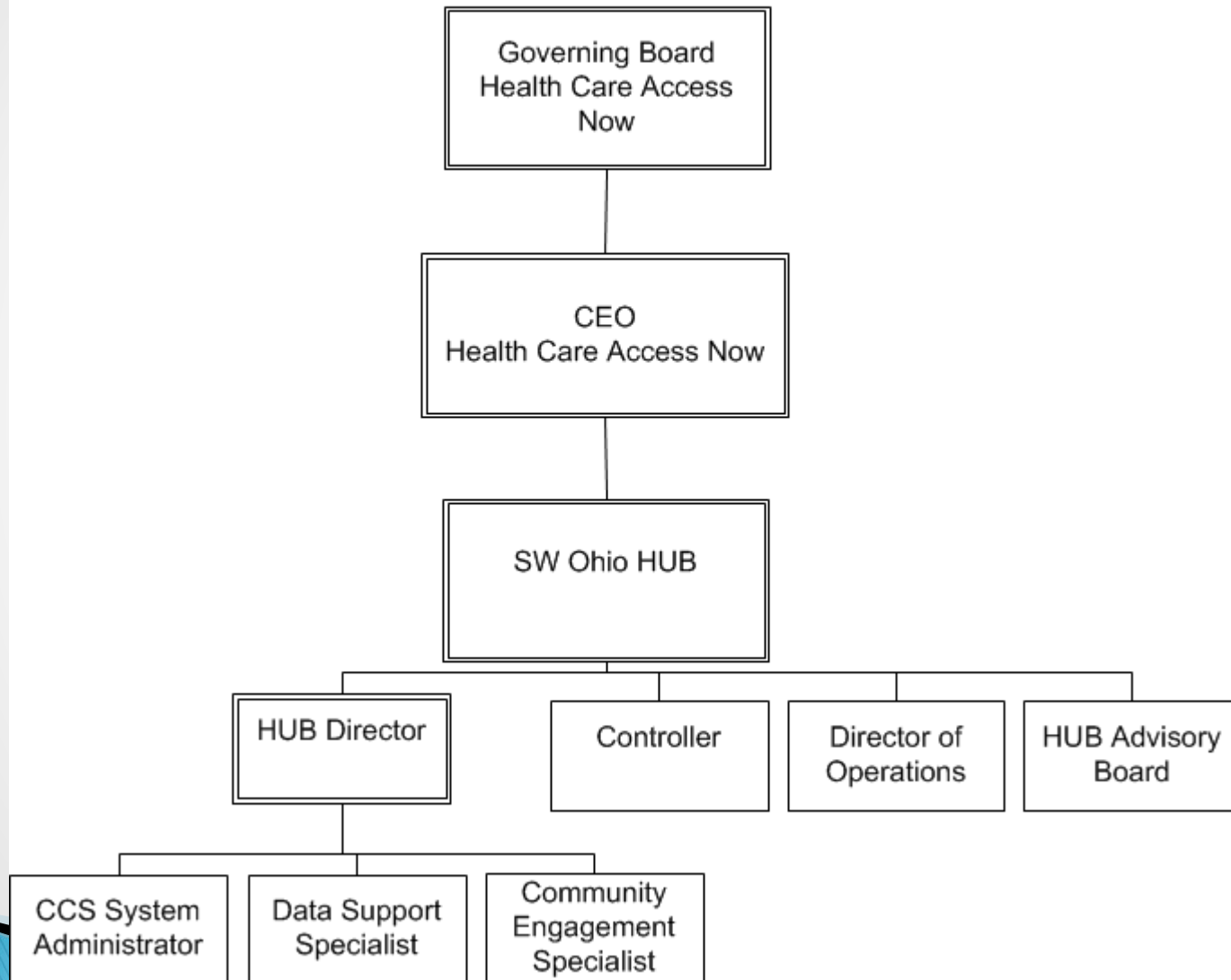
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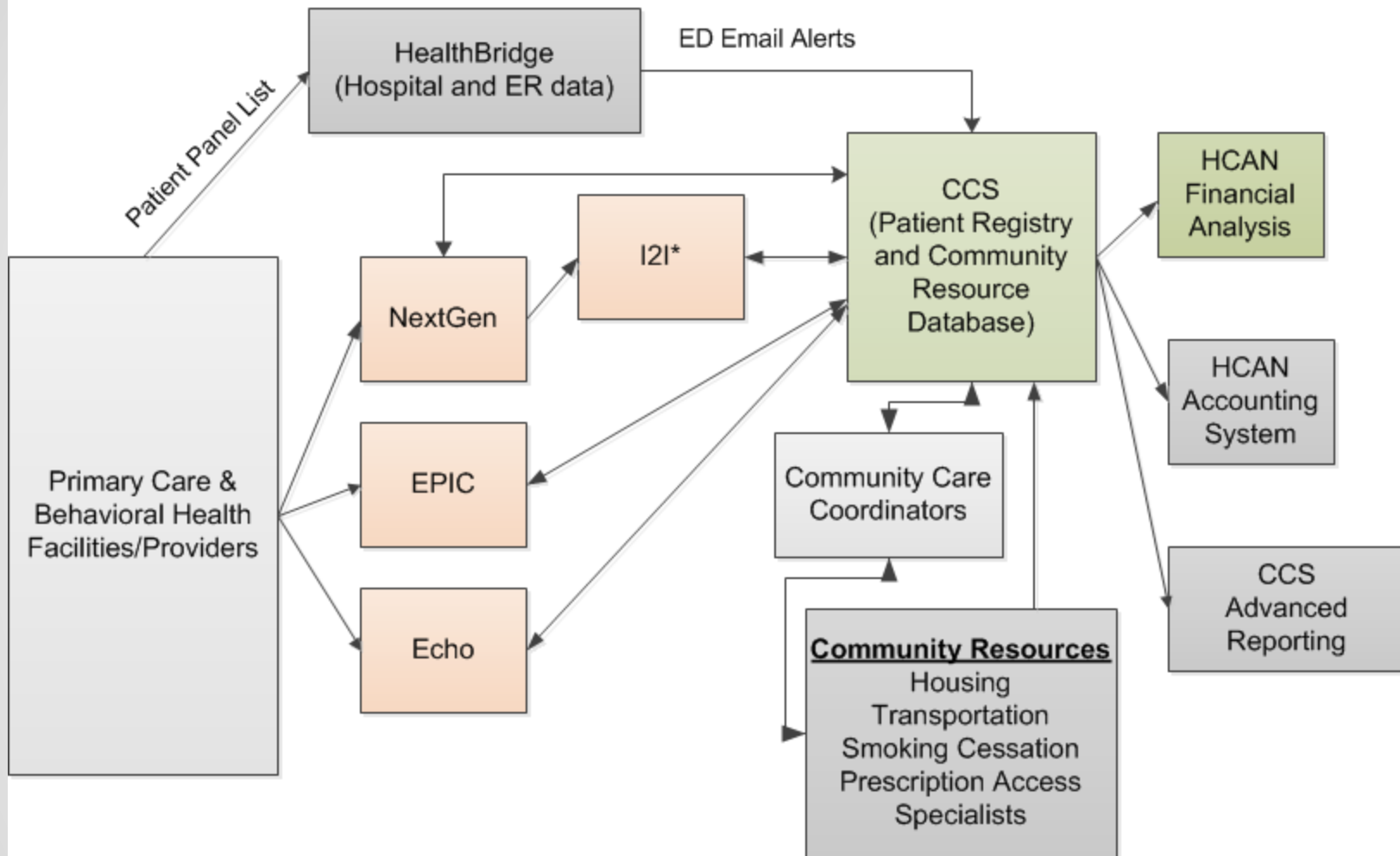
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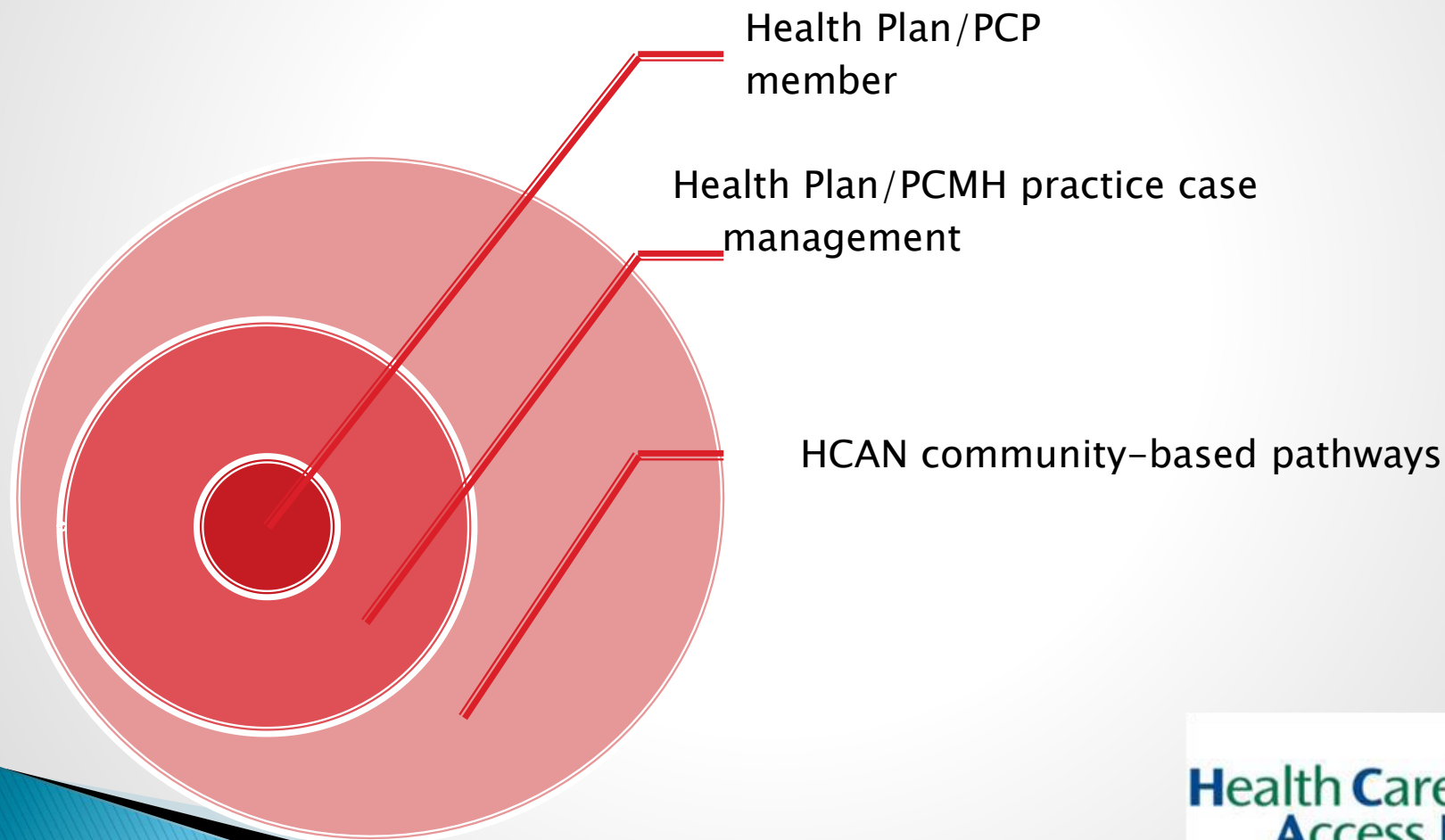
Managing Data Across Systems



Health Care Access Now
Care Coordination System (CCS) Architecture



Care Coordination Options



Braided Funding Model

- ▶ “Pay for performance” funding model--Care Coordinating agencies are paid strictly on achievement of positive outcomes
- ▶ Stipends are used to help organizations hire CHWs/care coordinators
- ▶ Grant funding provides seed dollars or subsidy for uninsured or clients pending enrollment.
- ▶ Medicaid Managed Care Plans or contracts with health systems provide earned revenue

Building Partnerships with Policy Makers



Proposed distribution of Ohio HUBs

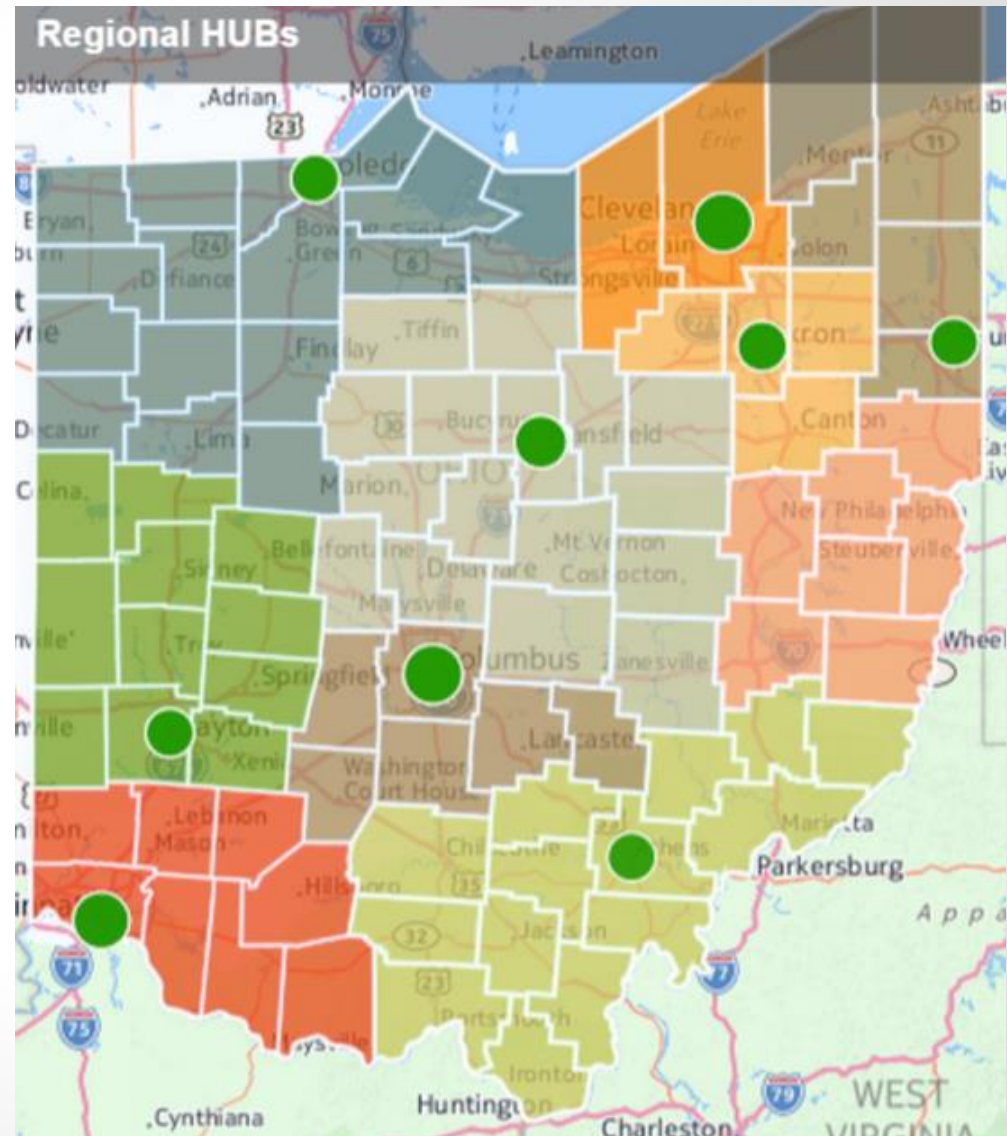
Existing HUBs:

1. Central Ohio
(Richland County)
2. Northwest Ohio
3. SW Ohio
(Hamilton, Butler
& Clermont
County)

Opportunity for HUBs*:

1. Cleveland
2. Columbus
3. Youngstown
4. Akron
5. Southeast
6. Dayton

*Funding will allow for
the start-up of 3
additional HUBs



OCMH Grant

Application Criteria

- ▶ Applicants must be certified HUBs, in the process of certification, or agree to begin the certification process within 6 months of funding.
- ▶ Applicants must demonstrate 20% match.
- ▶ Applicants must demonstrate support from
 - prospective community based organizations to provide care coordinators/Community Health Workers.
 - prospective payers, such as Medicaid Managed Care indicating interest in contracting for outcomes.
- ▶ Applicants must budget for a HUB Director and staffing.
- ▶ Applicants must agree to participate in statewide sponsored training and technical assistance.

Questions?