



# New Mexico Primary Care Clinician & Provider Transformation Collaborative Charter

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## Background

The 2021 New Mexico [House Bill 67](#) (Primary Care Council Act) charges HSD to establish a statewide Primary Care Council (PCC) to identify ways primary care investment could increase access to primary care, improve the quality of primary care services, lower the cost of primary care delivery, address the shortage of primary care providers, and reduce overall health care.

The PCC is guided by the Mission, Vision, and Goals outlined below:

- **Mission:** Revolutionize primary care into interprofessional, sustainable teams delivering high-quality, accessible, equitable health care across New Mexico through partnerships with patients, families, and communities.
- **Vision:** By 2026, New Mexico will exemplify same-day access to high-quality, equitable primary care for all persons, families, and communities.
- **Goal 1, Health Equity:** Develop and drive investments in health equity across New Mexico to improve the health of New Mexicans.
- **Goal 2, Payment Strategies:** Develop and make recommendations regarding sustainable payment models and strategies to achieve high quality and equitable primary care for all New Mexicans.
- **Goal 3, Health Technology:** Develop and drive health information technology improvements and investments that make high quality primary care seamless and easy for Primary Care Interprofessional Teams, patients, families, and communities.
- **Goal 4, Workforce Sustainability:** Create a sustainable workforce, financial model, and budget to support our mission and secure necessary state and federal funding.

To advance Goal 2, the PCC in collaboration with community clinicians, providers, and others, is developing a new primary care alternative payment model (APM) designed to move healthcare payments away from fee-for-service (FFS) and into a financing structure that reduces the total cost of care while improving patient health outcomes and supporting the healthcare workforce. The APM is scheduled for implementation across NM Medicaid participating payors, providers, and clinicians in 2024.

## Transformation Collaborative Purpose

The successful design and implementation of the primary care APM is dependent upon fruitful clinician and provider engagement. The NM Primary Care Clinician and Provider Transformation Collaborative will convene primary care clinicians, other providers and their associations, policymakers, advocates, and managed care organizations (MCOs) to provide feedback on APM planning, documents, analytic reports, and implementation issues; and to provide technical assistance, education, and supports related to APM implementation. The Collaborative will consist of a Governing Council and general membership. The roles of the Governing Council and general membership are described below.

## Mission

The mission of the Primary Care Clinician & Provider Transformation Collaborative will be developed during the Collaborative's initial meeting in October 2022.



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## Goals

The goals of the Primary Care Clinician & Provider Transformation Collaborative will be developed during the Collaborative's initial meeting in October 2022.

## Objectives

To serve as a resource for the PCC to communicate with stakeholders and provide input on APM plans and activities, including but not limited to the following materials:

- Proposed webinar curriculum (November 2022)
- Gaps in care analysis (anticipated draft in December 2022)
- Best practices summary and toolkit (midyear draft in December 2022, final in May 2023)
- Scenario modeling analysis (March 2023)
- Recommendations for Medicaid program specific to the development of a primary care APM and clinician and provider technical assistance (budget recommendations in March 2023, other recommendations in June 2023)
- Recommendations for multi-payer primary care APM alignment (budget recommendations in March 2023, other recommendations in June 2023)

## Proposed Membership

In addition to representatives from State agencies, the Transformation Collaborative **Governing Council** will include representatives from primary care provider associations and MCOs. This will be a smaller group of stakeholders within the larger Collaborative.

The Transformation Collaborative **general membership** will include frontline provider clinicians practicing in a physician group or health center, other providers, advocacy organizations, policymakers, and experts. Interested clinicians, providers, and other stakeholders are encouraged to participate in Collaborative activities to learn about New Mexico's APM initiative, engage in its development and implementation, and serve as a liaison between State officials and their colleagues and constituencies.

## Proposed Governing Council Roles and Responsibilities

The Governing Council will serve as the Transformation Collaborative leadership. They will support HSD by conducting initial review of draft materials and offering insights, and by providing strategic guidance and operational recommendations. Specifically, Governing Council responsibilities include:

- Provide strategic and operational guidance on questions and considerations around APM implementation during Governing Council meetings.
- Advise the State and PCC on APM materials development by agreed upon deadlines and provide feedback and recommendations prior to general membership input.
- Attend nine monthly Collaborative meetings between October 2022 and June 2023.
- Review draft Collaborative meeting summaries.
- Serve as a source of information about implementation challenges and perspectives of primary care clinicians and other stakeholders.
- Communicate APM information to the constituency(ies) that the member represents.



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## Proposed General Membership Roles and Responsibilities

The Collaborative general membership will be the active recipients of the technical assistance and other supports developed by HSD and the Governing Council. Importantly, they will also act as a conduit for feedback and outreach to and from the broader stakeholder community, sharing intelligence on the community’s perspectives and providing input on materials and supports needed. Specifically, Transformation Collaborative general member activities include:

- Actively participate in technical assistance opportunities and utilize other supports developed and provided by HSD.
- Provide input on APM materials after review by the Governing Council.
- Attend five bi-monthly Collaborative meetings between October 2022 and June 2023.
- Serve as a source of information about implementation challenges and perspectives of primary care clinicians and other stakeholders.
- Communicate APM information to the constituency(ies) that the member represents.

## Proposed Timeline

- Invitations to participate – late August 2022
- Initial full Transformation Collaborative meeting – October 2022
- Subsequent full Transformation Collaborative meetings – every other month starting October 2022 and ending June 2023
- Concluding meeting for the year – June 2023

2022			2023					
Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
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*Every other month will be a full Transformation Collaborative meeting (★), and the Governing Council will meet by itself during the intervening months (○)*

## Proposed Agenda for Initial Meeting (October 2022)

- Welcome and introductions
- Background on the value-based alternative payment model
- Review and discussion of Collaborative charter, including development of mission and goals
  - Consensus to approve charter
- Discussion of primary care APM design, testing, and evaluation activities
- Discussion of design and facilitation of Transformation Collaboration activities
- Overview of activities through June 2023
- Next steps