

Summary of Proposed Initiatives Impacting Pediatrics Populations and Providers in Michigan's State Innovation Model Testing Application

CMS SIM Round 2 Testing Awards Background

- In December 2014, 11 states were announced as recipients of round two of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) State Innovation Model (SIM) Test Awards, utilized to implement and test State Health Care Innovation Plans.
- With the combined support of \$622 million, states awarded Model Test funds are putting strategies in place to transform health care delivery systems primarily through multi-payer payment reform and additional initiatives.
- The Round Two SIM Model Test Awards have a more explicit emphasis on improving population health in specific areas such as prevention, health equity, and healthy behaviors.
- Participating states have 48 months to implement and test their models.

Summary of SIM Testing Award in Michigan

Michigan will receive approximately \$70 million to implement and test its State Health Care Innovation Plan, called the [Blueprint for Health Innovation](#). Through this plan, Michigan aims to achieve better health outcomes, better care, and lower costs.

Michigan will focus its efforts on strengthening its primary care infrastructure by implementing Accountable Systems of Care (ASC) for children and adults with complex clinical care management needs. ASCs will be structured as networks of primary care providers, specialists, and hospitals that work together to ensure the delivery of high quality, patient-centered, and coordinated care to a targeted population while lowering costs. ASCs will contract with payers and will become more accountable for their populations as financial benefits and risks gradually shift to providers.

Michigan will also implement Community Health Innovation Regions that will foster cross-sector collaboration from health care providers, community organizations, businesses, schools, and others to drive population health improvement initiatives in communities.

Implications for Pediatrics

Impact on children:

- Michigan has explicitly identified improving healthy infant and child development in its key goals to attain better health for the state.
- The Michigan Quality Improvement Consortium has drafted two sets of quality metrics to measure the impact of the Blueprint for Health Innovation, one set for adults and one set for children and adolescents. The state aims to improve the measures by 10% from baseline levels over five years. The proposed child and adolescent quality metrics include immunization for adolescents, well-child visits, chlamydia screening, and weight assessment and counseling for nutrition and physical activity.
- Community Health Innovation Regions will promote wellness and prevention in their communities and may choose to focus on pediatric issues such as childhood obesity.

Impact on Participating Providers:

- Michigan will build on the current Michigan Primary Care Transformation demonstration and increase the number of payers and providers participating in patient-centered medical home (PCMH) programs. The state will also include risk-adjusted monthly payments for care management in Medicaid contracts in PCMH programs.
- Michigan's Blueprint plan will be phased in across the state over four years. Delivery system and payment reform initiatives, including ASC implementation, will begin in communities that have demonstrated the highest capacity and interest to launch reforms.
- The ASC will be held increasingly accountable for the health outcomes of their specified populations and will begin to take on risk. The ASC will test various payment models that shift away from fee-for-service (FFS) payments and towards a pay-for-performance system. Specific strategies may include implementing shared savings with and without downside risk, partial capitation, and global capitation.
- The grant will provide technical assistance and workforce training to participating providers. Resources will be available to support practice transformation and quality improvement initiatives including implementation of advanced health information technology.

For more information on the CMS SIM Model Test Award in Michigan, contact Elizabeth Hertel, SIM Project Director, at HertelE@michigan.gov.



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