

NEWSLETTER

“Healthy Transitions”: September Collaborative Recap

During a 2-day learning session in Fargo, collaborative participants from Medical Home, Healthy Transitions, and Family Involvement/Cultural Competence worked on Healthy Transition strategies for youth moving from pediatric to adult care.

Medical Home teams worked on developing action steps regarding transition for their transition-aged patients in their practice. Healthy Transitions participants identified transition resources relevant to North Dakota and also reviewed an interagency agenda in preparation for testing its effectiveness. Jane Martin and Cheryl Kulas from Okiciya gave an excellent presentation to the Family Involvement/Cultural Competence collaborative discussing effectively working with various cultures.

Thank you to everyone who participated. The next Learning Collaborative will be held on Friday, January 21st, 2011 in Minot at the Grand International. Details coming.

Medical Home Spotlight: Devils Lake Community Clinic · Dr. Russ Petty

The Devils Lake Community Clinic is a division of the Towner County Medical Center-Cando. Dr. Petty and his team have been an NDIS Medical Home pilot site since the first learning session in February 2009. Since then, Dr. Petty and his team have been working to develop Medical Home in their practice. With a care coordinator, Vee Erickstad, and two family partners, the team meets monthly and works on strategies to improve the quality of care for CYSHCN.



Vee Erickstad and Dr. Petty

A major service that is now available to Dr. Petty's patients as a result of participating in this project is increased accessibility. Dr. Petty and Vee now offer patients direct access to the provider and have also opened communication via email. The team agrees that the email communication is extremely helpful for both the provider and the patients. Dr. Petty also notes that patients use these means of communication appropriately.

Ongoing activities include adding Medical Home patients to the practice, connecting families with community resources and spreading the word about Medical Home.

Mark Your Calendar

11/25/10

Thanksgiving
NDCPD Offices Closed

12/13/10

Medical Home
Parent Partner
TA Call
Noon

12/15/10

Medical Home
Submit Monthly Report,
Summary of Changes Report, and
Expense Claim Forms

12/23/10

Medical Home
Provider / Care Coordinator
TA Call
Noon

12/24/10

Christmas Eve
NDCPD Offices Closed

12/31/10

New Year's Eve
NDCPD Offices Closed

1/1/11

Healthy Transition Partners
Deadline to receive findings on
Interagency Agenda

1/21/11

NDIS Learning Collaborative VIII
All Participants - 8:00am-4:30pm
Grand International
Minot

3/1/11

Stakeholder Meeting
8:30am-4:30pm
Bismarck



“Screenings” Survey

To prepare for our January Learning Session, please take the time to complete the survey by clicking on the link below (if you haven't already done so). Survey should take less than five minutes.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7NXCW6S>

Health Care Reform

There are still a lot of “unknowns” as far as our nation's health care reform is concerned. Below are links to fact sheets developed by the Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) that discuss items regarding health care reform.

Health Reform: What's in It for Adolescents?

<http://www.amchp.org/Advocacy/health-reform/Documents/Adolescent-Health-ACA-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Health Care Reform: What's in It for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs?

<http://www.amchp.org/Advocacy/health-reform/Documents/CYSHCN-ACA-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Health Reform: What's in It to Promote the Medical Home?

<http://www.amchp.org/Advocacy/health-reform/Documents/Medical-Homes-ACA-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Kudos

Congratulations to Donene Feist, Director of Family Voices of North Dakota, for receiving national recognition for her excellence in improving systems of care to children and youth with special health care needs and their families. She was honored during the awards ceremony at the 75th Anniversary celebration of Title V Maternal and Child Health federal/state partnership meeting.

By 12/1/10

Medical Home Teams:
Inform Emily on your December meeting schedule

By 12/15/10

Medical Home Teams:
Submit November monthly report, summary of changes, and expense claim forms to Emily

By 1/1/11

Healthy Transitions Partners: Submit findings on interagency agenda

By 1/1/11

Healthy Transitions Family Partners: Complete Family interviews



TIP OF THE MOMENT: HEALTHY TRANSITIONS

As requested by collaborative participants, NDIS project staff compiled a list of Healthy Transition resources into one document. Click on the link below to view the NDIS Healthy Transitions Resources and Materials List.

If you have any questions, please contact NDIS at 800.233.1737.

[Healthy Transitions Resources and Materials List](#)

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