

The Delta Center for a Thriving Safety Net

BUILDING CAPACITY IN PRIMARY CARE & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Community health centers and community behavioral health organizations face increasing pressure to move towards models of payment and care that reward value over volume.

The Delta Center for a Thriving Safety Net provides technical assistance to state primary care associations and behavioral health state associations to advance value-based payment and care, with a focus on ambulatory care settings. The Delta Center seeks to leverage the strengths of state associations to spur promising payment and delivery reforms and will disseminate lessons from local, state, and national experiences to inform policy and practice.

DELTA CENTER GOALS



1. Build internal capacity of state associations in:

- » Value-Based Payment and Care Vision & Strategy Development
- » Board & Staff Engagement
- » Learning Organization Practices
- » Sustainability Planning



2. Build policy and advocacy capacity to advance state-level value-based payment and care



3. Foster state- and national-level collaboration between primary care and behavioral health



4. Build capacity of state associations to provide training and technical assistance to advance provider-level value-based payment and care

STATE LEARNING & ACTION COLLABORATIVE

Five primary care associations and five behavioral health state associations were selected through a competitive application process to engage in a learning and action collaborative. Participants will meet in person and virtually over two years to advance policy changes that benefit their members, support their members' ability to provide quality care, foster thriving partnerships within and across states, and sustain momentum toward these efforts by cultivating the practices of a learning organization.



The Delta Center will also produce a series of issue briefs for the field. These, as well as materials from the State Learning & Action Collaborative, will be publicly available on the Delta Center website at: deltacenter.jsi.com

DELTA CENTER PARTNERS

The Delta Center is led by JSI Research and Training Institute, Inc., in collaboration with the MacColl Center for Health Care Innovation at Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute and the Center for Care Innovations. This partnership combines strengths in policy and value-based payment within the safety net, delivery system transformation, and sustainable change in organizations. The Delta Center also brings together the National Association for Community Health Centers and the National Council for Behavioral Health, marking their first large-scale collaboration in this area. Support for the Delta Center is provided by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.