

Committee Name: Vermont Blueprint for Health Executive Committee	Committee Chair: Dr. John Saroyan
Meeting Goals: 1. Welcome and Updates; Status of statutory requirements for Exec Cmte membership and BP staff recruitment 2. Practice-Level Measures and Scorecard for Annual Report 3. Blueprint Manual 4. Health Service Area Site Visits 5. Update on S. 285 6. Measuring CHT Patients Served 7. Planned Parenthood of Northern New England Update	Mtg. Facilitator: Dr. John Saroyan Where: Virtual Meeting
	Conference Room: none
	Date: May 26, 2022 Time: 9:00-10:00am
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Attendees (* denotes Executive Committee member)

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Dr. John Saroyan	Blueprint for Health	*Dr. Adam Kunin	MVP Health Care
*Robin Lunge	Green Mountain Care Board	*Julie Zack	Blue Cross Blue Shield
*Pat Jones	Vermont Department of Health Access (DVHA)	Ena Backus	Agency of Human Services (AHS)
Julianne Krulewitz	Vermont Child Health Improvement Program (VCHIP)	Merideth Drude	Rutland Regional Medical Center (RRMC)
Hannah Ancel	Lamoille Health Partners	Pam Farnham	Evergreen Health
Kathleen Boyd	Rutland Regional Medical Center	Tom Dougherty	Springfield Health
*Kathleen Hentcy	Department of Mental Health	Kerry Sullivan	UVM Health
Michelle Gilmour	Central Vermont Medical Center	*Gretchen Pembroke	Clara Martin Center
*Jessa Barnard	Vermont Medical Society	Patrick Clark	Gifford Health Care
Mary Kate Mohlman	Bi-State Primary Care Assoc.	Caitlin Tilley	Southwestern Vermont Medical Center
*Dr. Lori Clarke	Mountain View Natural Medicine	*Clarke Collins	Department of Human Resources, State of VT

*Kelly Dougherty	Vermont Department of Health	Stuart May	Lamoille Health Partners
Jill Olson	VNAs of Vermont	Diana Gibbs	Northern Valley Regional Hospital
Charles Maclean	University of Vermont	Maurine Gilbert	Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)
Carla Renders	MVP Health Care	*Laura Hubbell	Bayada Hospice
Carl Cameron	MVP Health Care	Sylvie Choiniere	Porter Medical
Derek Raynes	OneCare Vermont	Kim Fitzgerald	Cathedral Square
*Devon Green	Vermont Association of Hospital and Health Systems	*Catherine Fulton	VPQHC
*Michelle Wade	VNPA	*Teri Closterman	Consumer
Wendy Trafton	AHS	Laurel Ruggles	Consultant
*Jennifer Pelletier	Gifford Health Care	*Dr. Anje Van Berckelaer	Battenkill Valley Health Center
Denise Smith	Northwestern Medical Center	Becky Burns	Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
*Nicole Moran	VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region		

Blueprint Staff			
Name	Title	Name	Title
Julie Parker	Assistant Director	Mara Donohue	Assistant Director
Tim Tremblay	Data Analytics and Information Administrator	Jenn Herwood	Payment Operations, Blueprint Portal Administrator
Laura Wreschnig	Data Analytics and Information Administrator	Erin Just	QI Coordinator

	Agenda Item
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II.	Practice-Level Measures and Scorecard for Annual Report
III.	Blueprint Manual
IV.	Health Service Area Site Visits
V.	Updates on S. 285
VI.	Measuring CHT Patients Served
VII.	Planned Parenthood of Northern New England Update

	Agenda Topic	Topic Facilitator	NOTES	Action Items
I.	Welcome and Updates; Status of statutory requirements for Exec Cmte membership and BP staff recruitment	Blueprint Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr. John Saroyan called the meeting to order at 9:04am. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted this is his second Executive Committee meeting as the new Blueprint Executive Director.</i> • <i>Mara Krause Donohue announced that the Executive Committee is now fully staffed according to their statutory requirements except for a Legislative Representative which is an individual appointed jointly by the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Mara added that in addition to the statutory required individuals, the Executive Committee also has a robust list of stakeholders.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr. Saroyan added that Shayla Livingston is helping to recruit for the legislative rep and hopeful to learn of who that will be soon.</i> <p><i>Dr. Saroyan gave a brief update on staff recruitment. They are in the final stages of hiring for the Blueprint Project Administrator, who will focus on the medicated assisted treatment program (MAT). Recruitment for this position should be wrapped up in the next few weeks.</i></p>	Shayla Livingston will follow up with legislative staff to identify an individual to meet this requirement.
II.	Practice-Level Measures and Scorecard for Annual Report	Tim Tremblay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tim announced that the Blueprint has received feedback from multiple sources about how much the practices and the field valued the practice profiles they used to receive. While it is no longer feasible for the Blueprint to produce the profiles in the same manner as they did previously, they are in the very early stages of exploring some options to provide the same measurement data for at least key metrics at the practice level. That data will be extracted from the all-payer claims data set and the VCURES data set.</i> • <i>In addition, Tim announced they have</i> 	Tim Tremblay will provide an update during the September Executive Committee meeting.

			<p><i>developed new online score cards to be included in the next Annual Report. In the past, to the Annual Report has presented extensive outcomes data relating to the Blueprint, also known as “state-wide measurement data,” which was typically broken up by Hospital Service Area (HSA). Based on a suggestion from the field, the Blueprint will be moving those graphs and measures from the Annual Report and turn them into online score cards which will allow for more interactive reading of the measures. The goal is to streamline the Annual Report and have it include live links to the dashboard measures.</i></p>	
III.	Blueprint Manual	Mara Krause Donohue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Mara thanked everyone who provided comments and suggestions on the first draft of the updates to the Blueprint Program Manual. Some of the updates were easy to incorporate and some required further exploration. Mara noted that the team is still meeting to discuss some of the updates, so some of them may not be incorporated in this draft. The updated Manual will be ready to go live by July 1, 2022.</i> <i>Tim Tremblay made a note regarding the attribution codes section of the Manual. After the first draft was sent out, the new attribution codes included in the manual were inadvertently not flagged, so a supplement email was sent out flagging the new codes. There has been no change in that section from the supplement email to the second draft of the Manual. In addition, Tim announced that changing the attribution codes mid-year would be troublesome to the payers, so the Blueprint team is setting a January 1, 2023 implementation date for those new attribution codes.</i> 	The second draft of the Blueprint Manual will be sent out via email after today’s meeting (May 26, 2022). The Committee is asked to please read though the second draft and have comments back to Mara by June 15, 2022.
IV.	Health Service Area Site Visits	Dr. John Saroyan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Dr. Saroyan has begun his visits to the 13 Hospital Service Areas (HSAs) throughout Vermont. He thanked Caitlin Tilley for organizing his meaningful visit to Bennington last week.</i> 	
V.	Update on S. 285	Dr. John Saroyan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Dr. Saroyan briefly updated the group on S. 285 passed by the Legislature for review, two sections of which pertain to the Blueprint.</i> 	A report of sections 6 and 7 of S. 285 will be included at the next

				<p>Executive Committee meeting.</p> <p>Mara provided the latest language on S-0285 As Passed by Both House and Senate Official.pdf (vermont.gov).</p>
VI.	Measuring CHT Patients Served	Jenn Herwood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The number of CHT patients served is a measure the Blueprint has always asked of the field staff to be included annually in the Annual Report. Jenn noted that a new process for collecting that data through the portal is being worked on. The data would be collected quarterly by the CHT staff and by the payers as well.</i> <i>Committee discussion followed regarding whether this data will include the individual patients seen, or just the number of patients seen. Clarification was given that this data will focus more on the total number of patients seen as to not add administrative burden on the reporting staff. However, individual-level care-coordination data collection is something that OneCare Vermont is going to be working on.</i> <i>The Committee also requested that a thorough description of the patients “served” be included in that reporting.</i> 	<p>Dr. Saroyan will lead a discussion of CHT data collection options on May 26.</p>
VII.	Planned Parenthood of Northern New England Update	Julie Parker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>After providing a brief background on the Blueprint’s partnership with Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE) Julie shared that they have had to close the following four sites in the area: St. Albans, Hyde Park, Bennington, and Middlebury, leaving a total of 780 Medicaid patients without care. PPNNE put together some data sheets to try to help those patients transfer care to other practices. Additionally, they are reallocating their resources to include longer hours, more daily openings and will offer robust telehealth</i> 	<p>Julie Parker will explore opportunities for further education.</p>

			<p>care for many of their existing services. The most concerning gaps of care will be pregnancy termination and access, and gender affirmation care and therapy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee discussion followed regarding funding that the Blueprint allocates towards PPNNE's staffing needs, and these closures are not expected to affect their staffing numbers. • Denise Smith asked if there is a sense of which FQHCs provide gender reaffirming care, and could take over that care for patients that are losing it because of the PPNNE closures? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Kate Mohlman from Bi-State reported that there are no federal barriers to FQHCs providing gender affirming care and they do have members that provide this care with Rutland and CHCB currently offering strong programs LGBTQ+ Services - Community Health Centers of Burlington (chcb.org). • Jessa suggested the gender affirming care could be a great topic for a Project ECHO module. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cathy Fulton and Dr. Maclean echoed this suggestion. 	
VIII.	Executive Committee Discussion	Various Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessa Barnard of Vermont Medical Society requested to have further clarification at a future meeting of the care coordination data collection between the Blueprint and OneCare Vermont. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devon Green echoed this comment. • Pam Farnham asked how others feel about no representation of the independent practices on the Blueprint Executive Committee? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessa Barnard noted that the Vermont Medical Society does have independent physicians as members. 	<p>Dr. Saroyan will review efforts to provide care coordination overview to Jessa.</p> <p>Tim and Julie Zack will meet to further discuss the new codes.</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Michelle Wade further added that as a Stakeholder, she represents nurse practitioners throughout the State both who practice independently and with organizations.</i> • <i>Julie Zack from BCBSVT asked what the next steps for working with payers on the new codes.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tim Tremblay clarified that the codes would become binding once they are added into the Manual in January 1, 2023.</i> 	
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