

# Maine Patient Centered Medical Home Pilot - Phase 2 Expansion

## MaineCare Health Homes Initiative

### Practice Eligibility – UPDATED (4/19/12)

**NOTE: These eligibility criteria have been updated to reflect the updated timeline for expansion of the Maine PCMH Pilot and introduction of the MaineCare Health Homes Initiative.**

**Part I - MaineCare Health Homes Practice Eligibility:** Please confirm that your practice site first meets the eligibility criteria listed below for participation in the Health Homes program. Please note that answering “No” to any of the 6 Health Homes eligibility questions means that your practice site is ineligible to participate in both the Health Homes program and the Maine PCMH Pilot, and you should not continue with this application.

Practices that qualify for the MaineCare Health Homes initiative will be asked to sign a Health Homes Memorandum of Agreement outlining more specific expectations of the program once it is available. Practices should note that completing this application does not constitute an obligation to participate in the Health Homes initiative.

**For questions about eligibility, please contact Dr. Lisa Letourneau at tel. 415.4043 or [Lletourneau@mainequalitycounts.org](mailto:Lletourneau@mainequalitycounts.org) or Nancy Grenier at tel. 240.8768, or [ngrenier@mainequalitycounts.org](mailto:ngrenier@mainequalitycounts.org).**

#### **MaineCare Health Homes Practice Eligibility:**

1. Primary care practice site that provides care to adult or pediatric patients, is located in the state of Maine, and has at least one full-time primary care physician or nurse practitioner.
2. Practice site has processes and structures to support the PCMH model, as evidenced by achievement of NCQA PCMH recognition at Level 1 or higher. Practices that do not currently have NCQA PCMH recognition must have initiated their NCQA application by the time they submit this application; **must have completed their application to NCQA by June 30, 2012; and** must achieve NCQA PCMH recognition before January 1, 2013.
3. Practice has fully implemented an Electronic Medical Record (EMR) by the time of application for participation (i.e. by June 30, 2012).
4. Practice commits to meeting the 10 Core Expectations of the Maine PCMH model. (See description of Core Expectations at [http://www.mainequalitycounts.org/pcmh-tools-and-resources/cat\\_view/86-patient-centered-medical-home/94-general.html](http://www.mainequalitycounts.org/pcmh-tools-and-resources/cat_view/86-patient-centered-medical-home/94-general.html) )
5. Practice commits to providing Health Homes services as required by federal regulations (Affordable Care Act Section 2703):
  - Comprehensive care management
  - Care coordination and health promotion
  - Comprehensive transitional care from inpatient to other settings
  - Individual and family support
  - Referral to community and social support services

- Use of health information technology (HIT)
  - Prevention and treatment of mental illness and substance abuse disorders
  - Coordination of and access to preventive services, chronic disease management, and long-term care supports
6. Practice identifies a Maine PCMH Pilot Community Care Team (CCT) to serve as their partner to manage high-needs patients. Practice identifies either an existing CCT, or an organization that is willing to apply and meet criteria for CCT recognition by the Maine PCMH Pilot by August 1, 2012. (For more information on CCT criteria, see <http://www.mainequalitycounts.org/major-programs/community-care-teams.html>)

**Part II - Maine PCMH Pilot Eligibility:**

Maine primary care practices interested in participation in Phase 2 of the multi-payer Maine PCMH Pilot must meet the above Health Homes criteria, **as well as all 4 of the additional Pilot expansion eligibility criteria outlined below**. Please note that answering “No” to any of the four PCMH Pilot eligibility questions below means that your practice site is ineligible to participate in the Maine PCMH Pilot expansion. However, if practices meet the MaineCare Health Homes criteria listed above, they should continue with the application to be considered for the MaineCare Health Homes program.

1. Practice site does **not** currently participate in the CMS FQHC Advanced Primary Care (APC) Demonstration (began Oct 2011)
2. Practice provides care to adult patients (i.e. Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, or General Medicine provider)
3. Practice site has minimum patient panel of at least 1000 patients enrolled in health plans administered by the payers participating in the Pilot (Anthem BCBS, Aetna, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, MaineCare, and Medicare).
4. Practice has completed and submitted the Maine PCMH Pilot Phase 2 Expansion “Memorandum of Agreement” to Maine Quality Counts by March 31, 2012. This Memorandum of Agreement is available on the Maine Quality Counts website at <http://www.mainequalitycounts.org/major-programs/patient-centered-medical-home.html>

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