

WA State Health Care Innovation Plan



Washington's Health Care Innovation Plan

Washington's State Innovation Models grant from the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) has catalyzed a bold initiative.

The CMMI planning grant enabled extensive and rapid cross-community and cross-sector engagement on broadly defined health and health care system change.

The resulting Innovation Planning initiative created a framework for health system transformation that is significantly more far reaching than the testing grant application submitted by the state in 2012.¹ The State Health Care Innovation Plan forms the basis of a future application for a multiple-year State Innovation Models testing grant.

More importantly, it charts a bold course for transformative change in Washington state that links clinical and community factors that support health, spreads effective payment and care delivery models, and has the potential to generate more than \$730 million in return on investment.

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Innovation Plan; The *Current* System

- Inconsistent and weak linkages between clinical and community interventions
- Lack of incentives and necessary support to coordinate multiple aspects of an individual's health and health care.
- Financing and administrative barriers to integrated, whole-person care.
- Disjointed diversity of payment methods, priorities, and performance measures.
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- Slow adoption of alternative, value-based payment.
- Relevant clinical and financial information often unavailable for provision of care and purchasing decisions.

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Innovation Plan; The *Transformed* System

- Health systems positioned to address prevention and social determinants of health as part of the broader community of health.
- Support at the state and local levels for practice transformation that emphasizes team-based care.
- An emphasis on regionally responsive payment and delivery systems, driven by integrated purchasing of physical and behavioral health care.
- State leadership in deploying innovative purchasing models and requirements that drive value over volume.
- Alignment between public and private purchasers around common measures of performance with value-based payment as the norm.
- A transparent system of accountability, allowing purchasers, consumers, providers, and plans to make informed choices.

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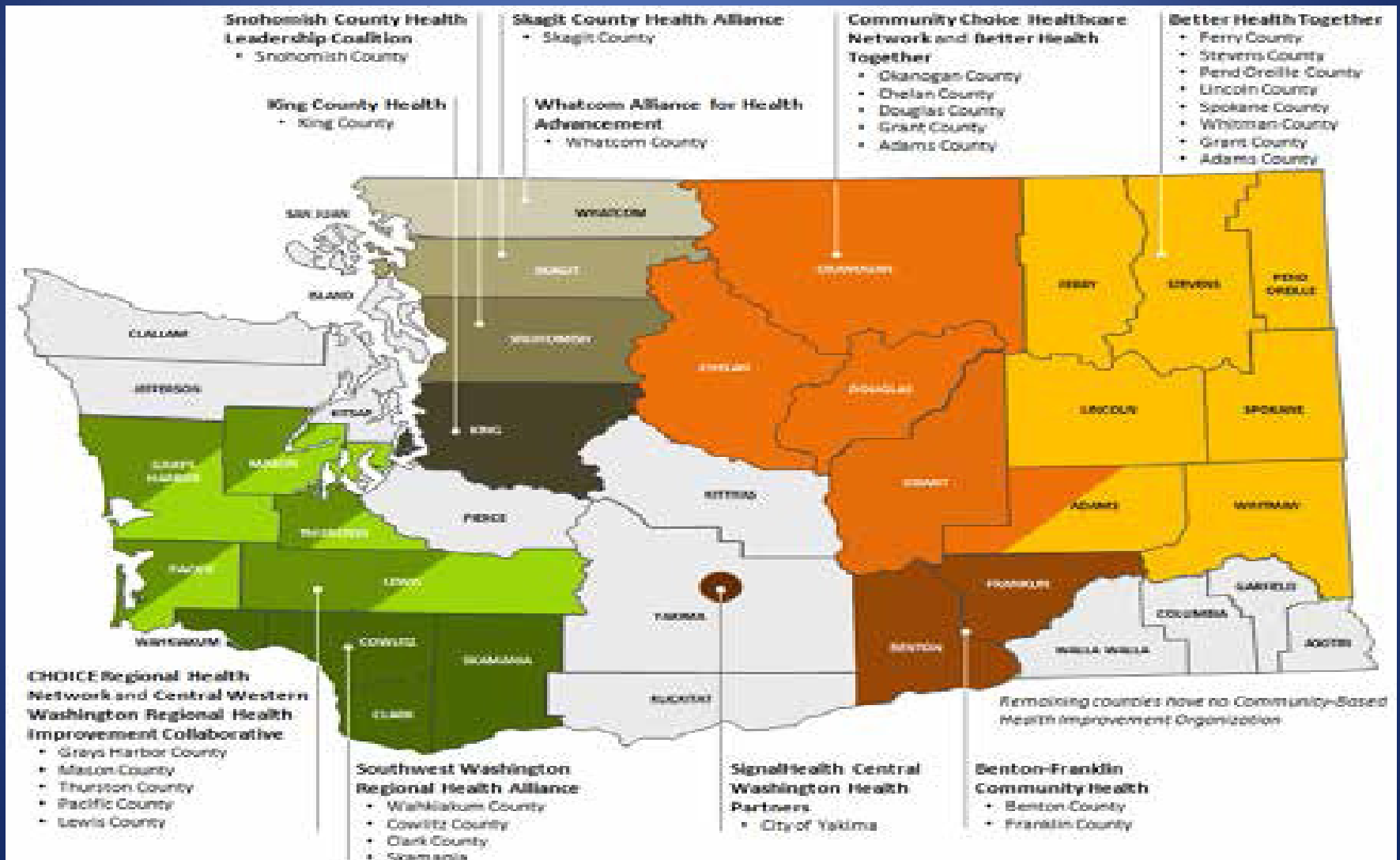
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Strategies:

1. Drive value-based purchasing across the community, starting with the state as ‘first mover’
2. Improve health overall by building health communities and people through prevention and early mitigation of disease throughout the life course.
3. Improve chronic illness care through better integration of care and social supports, particularly for individuals with physical and behavioral co-morbidities.

WA Healthcare Innovation Planning and Community-Based Organizations



Innovation Plan Guiding Principles

Inclusive of the broader theme of alignment and connections between health and recovery services, systems supports, and community services, several major guiding principles underpin the Innovation Plan's strategies in support of better health, better care, and lower costs.

- **Improve health equity.**
- **Encourage individual responsibility for maintaining and improving health**
- **Acknowledge delivery challenges and opportunities in different geographic areas and for**
- **different population subgroups.**
- **Recognize and encourage existing efforts to continue—but in a more aligned fashion.**

Innovation Plan Guiding Principles

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- **Focus on building infrastructure and sustainability.**
- **Balance immediate and longer-term priorities and returns.**
- **The Innovation Plan is a first step.**