NJHC SDoH / HE Cross Collaborative Committee Meeting Minutes

5/31/2023

22 Attendees: Ann Marie Peterson , Daniel Wikstrom, Deborah Fisher, Ellen Shelley, Jessica Huertas, Jessica Szczepanik, John La Placa, Julia Stoumbos, Karen Ensle, Karen Schulhafer, Katie Bisaha, Kimberly Ullisse, Mary Ann Donohue-Ryan, Maureen Cianci, Michelle Blanchfield, Sarah Rubinstein, Victoria Buhl

Hosted by: The North Jersey Health Collaborative

Presented by: Michelle Blanchfield, MPH Director of Special Populations, Zufall Health Center

Notes:

The first community health centers in the US opened in the 1950's and '60's in Boston and the Delta Health Center during the time of the civil rights movement.

Originally, they were called neighborhood health centers, funded by President Lyndon Johnson's 'War on Poverty'. These centers are federally funded and designed to remove traditional barriers to care
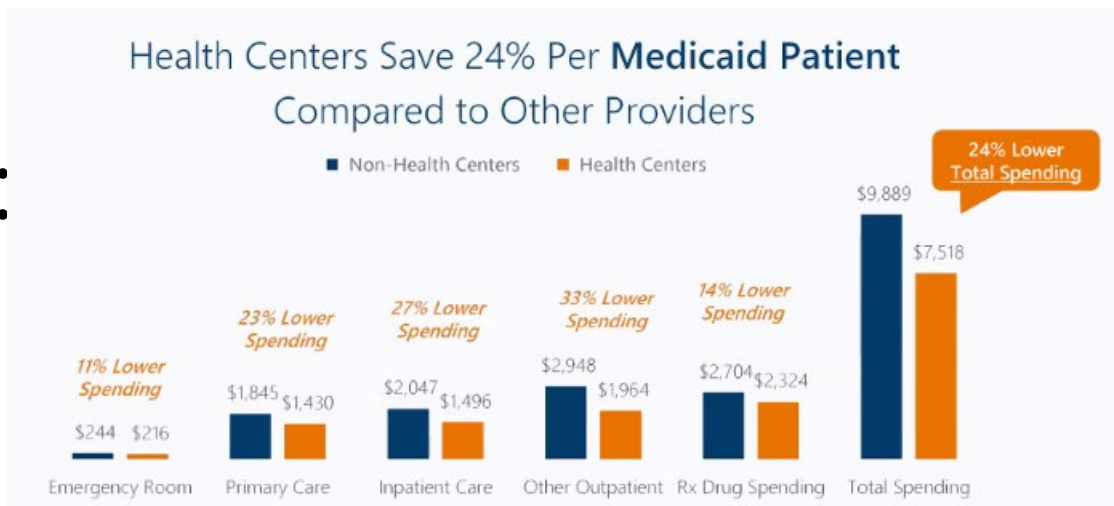
- lack of transportation
- language, literacy, and race
- providing services in communities where people would otherwise not have access to doctors, primary care, and other essential services

Many FQHC's go beyond the four walls of healthcare and provide:

- Employment Opportunities
- Childcare
- Assessing dangerous environmental conditions
- Social and medical services to people experiencing Homelessness
- Food insecurity and nutrition interventions

Benefits of FQHCs:

- Bipartisan support
- Serve over 30 million Americans (1 in 12 people, 1 in 9 children, 1 in 7 Racial/Ethnic Minorities, 1 in 5 Medicaid Beneficiaries, 1 in 5 uninsured persons, 1 in 3 people in poverty)
- Some serve specific populations (2 in NJ serve homeless populations exclusively, although ALL FQHCs serve homeless populations)
- On average, FQHC's save $2,300 per Medicaid patient compared to other providers
- Generates $54.6 billion in total economic activity
- Save the care system $24 billion
- In 2021 FQHCs provided over 2 million in person and virtual visits, serving 569,142 patients.
- 94% of our FQHC patients are low income
- Close to 75% of FQHC patients are members of racial/ethnic minority groups

Health Centers Save 24% Per **Medicaid Patient**
Compared to Other Providers

All Health Center Data are uploaded to the Uniform Data System (UDS)

- Provides family practice medical model.
  - o Labcorp on site
  - o HIV testing, counseling and care
  - o First pharmacy has opened in Dover
- Dental Services
  - o Preventative Care
  - o Cleanings
  - o Exams and X-rays
  - o Extractions, Crowns, Dentures
  - o Emergencies
- Mobile unites
  - o Dental
    - ▪ Oral Cancer Screening
    - ▪ Fluoride Treatment
    - ▪ Varnish
    - ▪ X-ray of Problem Areas
  - o Medical Services
    - ▪ Checkups
    - ▪ Illness/Injury treatment
    - ▪ Health Education
    - ▪ Health Counseling
    - ▪ Referrals to Specialists
- Zufall Programs
  - o Ryan White Program
    - ▪ HIV and STI Testing
  - o HEAL
    - ▪ Health and Legal Partnership in Morris County
  - o M-WRAP
    - ▪ Morris, Sussex, and Warren Counties: Women who are pregnant and suffering from any sort of substance use issue (case management, support, counseling)
  - o Intensive Senior Support Services
    - ▪ Provides intensive case-management in Morris County

- o NJSNAP-ED (Rutgers)
  - Provides education on eating healthy on a budget
- o Wise Woman Program
  - Part of American Heart Association, women over the age of 40 either not engaged in care or have a history of HPB, low income, or un-underinsured .
- o Grow Garden State
  - Provides seeds to NJ Communities and Families

Zufall utilizes the Chronic Care Model (CCM) population-based and evidence-based practice. Model for Improvement is the PDSA (Plan, Do, Study, Act, (repeat)) Model.

Ending Discussion:

Deborah Fisher: I just want to thank you, Michelle, and Zufall for all the assistance you've provided the Sussex County Child Health Crisis Workgroup.

Michelle Blanchfield: Would love to connect with other partners on how they screen for SDoH / HE

Mary Ann Donohue-Ryan: This is a question probably best asked of our social workers, so I can look into that for you and get you our screening to you, it is part of our electronic health records

Michelle Blanchfield: for us, closing the loop, finding out if they actually accessed the services

Beliza Mejia: Manager of Social Services at AHS Care Coordinator team, we want to connect those being discharged with services and prevent readmission. We do this through a 5-question screening on SDoH. If they respond positively, they are referred to our social services team which connects them to resources.

Chat:

Mary Ann Donohue-Ryan

    Mary Ann Donohue-Ryan, Chilton Medical Center, Atlantic Health System

Jessica Szczepanik

    Jessica Szczepanik, Director of Prevention Services-Prevention Connections, Center for Family Services

Karen Schulhafer

    Karen Schulhafer, Westfield Regional Health Department

Ellen Shelley

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Deborah Fisher

Deb Fisher —Lead of SC Child Health Crisis Workgroup.

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Julia Stoumbos

Julia Stoumbos from The Henry and Marilyn Taub Foundation

Sarah Rubinstein

Sarah Rubinstein, Program Manager for Community Health at Morristown Medical Center and Morris County Committee Chair

Karen Ensle

Karen Ensle Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County

Kimberly Ullisse

Kimberly Ullisse- Linden Health Dept

Katie Bisaha

Katie Bisaha NJHCQI community health and policy associate

Jessica Huertas

Jessica Huertas, Morris Township, Health Department, Community Outreach Specialist

Ann Marie Peterson

Ann Marie Peterson - Community Health Coordinator, Randolph YMCA

Victoria Buhl

Hi, Victoria Buhl from American Heart Association. We worked with Zufall on their SMBP (self-monitored blood pressure) program, as well as bringing BP screenings to the local community.

Julia Stoumbos

I have to sign off, but appreciate the helpful information about FQHCs. Will try to explore some of the data. I am interested specifically in the older adult population in NJ.

Jessica Szczepanik

Thank you for all of your hard work Michelle.

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