



SIM Initiatives: Executive Summary (For Subcommittee use)

1. SIM Initiative /Title: Behavioral Health Homes Learning Collaborative

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4. Timeline:

- **Planning start date (target):** January 2014
- **Implementation date (target):** April 2014
- **Anticipated duration:** 2yrs and 6 months- through SIM duration

5. Brief summary (300 words or less):

QC is working in close partnership with MaineCare to also support implementation of MaineCare Stage B Health Homes— i.e. the Behavioral Health Homes (BHHs) initiative, which will support BH organizations working in partnership with primary care HH practices to improve the coordination of care for MaineCare beneficiaries with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) and children with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED). SIM funding will allow QC to sponsor a BHH Learning Collaborative that will include up to 30 BH Home organizations (BHHOs) that will provide BHH services and care coordination to patients with SMI/SED. Planning for the BHH Learning Collaborative will begin in Jan 2014, with launch of the effort expected in April 2014. Goals of the BHH Learning Collaborative include working with BHHs to improve care coordination for these members, and to better coordinate care with their partnering PCMH/HH primary care practices. Details of the Learning Collaborative are to be determined, but its structure will likely mirror that of the existing PCMH/HH Learning Collaborative – i.e. it will offer a structured program to facilitate collaborative learning across BHHOs, and will likely include direct QI support, day-long Learning Sessions, and monthly webinars focused on specific improvement areas.

6. Relevant SIM Subcommittees for input/guidance

	Primary Subcommittee (check one)	Other Relevant Subcommittees (check all that apply)	Dependencies (per SST)	Key Questions/Input Requested from Subcommittee
Payment Reform		X		Opportunities to align with other payment reform (e.g. ACO) efforts; opportunities to sustain enhanced payment beyond SIM timeline.
Delivery System Reform	X			Key issues/educational opportunities for Behavioral Health Home Organizations

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Data Infrastructure		X		Opportunities to promote use of HIN within BHH Organizations

7. Key Questions for SIM Subcommittee(s)

- How can we best engage consumers in the BHHs Learning Collaborative, both in terms of shaping educational content for BHH Organizations, and potentially in participating in learning activities?
- How can we best engage primary care / Health Home practices in this effort, particularly given the many other issues with which they are currently engaged?
- Are there opportunities to align the BHHs Learning Collaborative with other related efforts in the state – e.g. Maine CDC efforts to improve care for individuals with Serious Mental Illness
- We plan to contract with an organization with BH expertise to partner with us and help guide development of the educational content of the Learning Collaborative. Are there specific competencies or deliverables that we should be sure to include in the RFP for such a partner?

8. Other Concerns/Issues: