

HCA/HW AIM BI/Analytics Platform RFI Frequently Asked Questions

What is Healthier Washington?

The Healthier Washington initiative builds the capacity to move health care purchasing from volume to value, improve the health of state residents, and deliver coordinated whole-person care. Through focused and collaborative engagement of the public and private sectors, the Healthier Washington project will achieve better health, better care and lower costs for at least 80% of state residents.

More information on Healthier Washington can be found at: <http://www.hca.wa.gov/hw/>.

What is Analytics, Interoperability and Measurement (AIM)?

With funding from CMS State Innovation Model grant (CMS-IGI-14-001), Healthier Washington is making an investment in the creation of an “Analytics, Interoperability and Measurement (AIM)” program. The intention of this program is to provide an innovative solution portfolio that provides data, analytic, reporting and measurement capacity to support Healthier Washington and the state agencies leading it. The subject of this RFI, a Business Intelligence/Analytics platform, will serve as the primary toolset AIM uses to carry out this mission.

Who "owns" Healthier Washington?

No one entity or agency “owns” Healthier Washington. It is by design a collaborative effort that involves multiple partners at the state, regional and community levels. The Healthier Washington initiative includes a strong governance structure that facilitates collaborative engagement across state agencies and geographic areas. The state’s Health Care Authority is responsible for overall leadership of the initiative, working closely with partners at the Department of Health and the Department of Health and Social Services.

What is the Washington State Health Care Authority?

The Health Care Authority is the state’s top health care purchaser, covering more than 2 million Washington residents through Apple Health (Medicaid) and the Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) Program. We work with partners to help ensure Washingtonians have access to better health and better care at a lower cost. For more information, visit www.hca.wa.gov.

What is your timeline and approach to value creation for this BI/Analytics Platform?

The Healthier Washington agencies are looking to leverage the time-limited, federal SIM grant to build a sustainable and long term set of analytic capabilities for healthcare in Washington State, while focusing heavily on the need for this work to show rapid cycle value to state agencies and community partners during the remaining three years of this grant. The immediate goal of AIM is to obtain short term assistance through strategic analytic partnerships that allow HW to leverage existing data sources to meet immediate AIM needs. This will allow time to build an internal ability to combine and create new data assets for ongoing innovative analytics and measurement, with the intent to continue to refine, build out, and take advantage of additional analytic investments. Ultimately we intend to have a flexible,

dynamic, inter-operable, and sustainable analytic environment that can meet research, innovation, and measurement needs of Healthier Washington, with value far beyond the grant life.

What is the purpose of this RFI?

The purposes of this RFI are to:

- Inform the vendor community of what we are hoping to achieve with Healthier Washington, AIM, and HCA's Decisions Support program
- Learn from the vendor community of specific products and services that might meet our needs
- Guide our efforts to design, procure and implement a BI/Analytics platform

What is your budget?

We have earmarked a portion of our Healthier Washington SIM budget for AIM (approximately \$5M) to invest in products and services related to the design and implementation of the business intelligence & analytics platform, as described in this RFI. We recognize that the SIM funds we have set aside for these procurements may be insufficient to meet our data & analytics needs, especially considering sustainment costs associated with this platform. We are thus planning on supplementing SIM funding with existing funding streams, such as Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH), and better utilizing Medicaid Information Technology Architecture (MITA) principles to enhance Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS) funding.

How does this BI/Analytics platform differ from other, similar projects (e.g., APCD, and Link4Health CDR)?

The BI/Analytics Platform described in this RFI will work in concert with several other tools & investments to meet Healthier Washington and other agency needs. The table below provides a high level summary of each.

Investment/Tool	Function it provides	Who it serves
AIM (Analytics, Interoperability, Measurement) Business Intelligence/Analytics Platform	Data and analytics solution to enable Healthier Washington strategies	HW investment areas, Accountable Communities of Health (ACHs), state agencies, HW evaluation
Washington Health Alliance (communitycheckup.org)	Official reporting tool (Community Checkup) for the Washington State common measure set	Washington State payers, ACHs, public
Healthier Washington Dashboard reporting tool (CORE)	Visualization tool for specific key measures critical to ACH organizations	ACH leaders
All Payer Claims Database (APCD)	Collect and store claims and encounter data from all Washington State payers,	Public, Washington State agencies, other payers

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Clinical Data Repository (CDR)	Store claims, encounter and summary care documents of the longitudinal record	Providers, MCOs, state agencies
Payment Model 4 / Multi-Payer Solution	Multi-payer data aggregation to enable value-based payment <i>(still in design phase)</i>	Washington State providers
Washington Tracking Network (WTN) and CHAT / DOH	Community health assessment tool(s)	State agencies, ACHs, local health jurisdictions
Predictive Risk Intelligence System (PRISM) /DSHS	Predictive modeling tool providing claims-based view of health service experiences of Medicaid enrollees	Medicaid health plans, home health providers, RSNs, state agencies