

# Washington Medicaid Transformation

## Transformation through Accountable Communities of Health\*, 2017-2021

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Key Medicaid Transformation Activities



2017  
Year 1

Washington contracts with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to find new ways to make communities healthier by partnering with Accountable Communities of Health (ACHs) on Medicaid Transformation projects.

The [nine ACHs](#) pass two levels of certification and each receive \$6 million for planning regional health projects.

ACHs submit Project Plans for the projects they will support in Years 2 through 5.

2018  
Year 2

ACHs earn money for reporting information related to their projects (called Pay-for-Reporting, or P4R).

FEBRUARY

ACH Project Plan scores finalized and approval status determined.

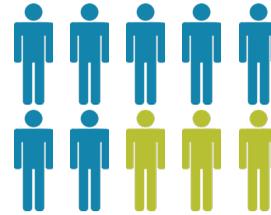
HCA releases the Measurement Guide for public review. It shows how the state will measure improvements in making communities healthier, and how ACHs and partners can earn funds for performance.

JULY

ACHs submit first semi-annual report, in which they describe project progress to date. This includes defining the communities they will focus on, and specific steps they will take to make them healthier.

OCTOBER

ACHs submit Implementation Plans describing how they will carry out their projects.



2019  
Year 3

In addition to reporting on project milestones, ACHs begin earning money based on how well their projects are helping communities (P4P).

JULY

ACHs will participate in a mid-point assessment to identify areas of improvement to ensure successful implementation of projects.



2020  
Year 4

JANUARY

Washington moves to [Integrated Managed Care](#), a model that coordinates physical health, mental health, and drug and alcohol treatment to provide whole-person care under one health plan.



2021  
Year 5

DECEMBER

Although Washington's contract with CMS ends, Medicaid Transformation continues. ACHs have the programs and partnerships in place, and communities are reporting measurable progress. Washington's Medicaid program is proving the value of rewarding high-quality, whole-person care.

How to Get Involved

Provide input to ACHs at meetings, workgroups, councils, and through surveys.

Stay in touch by [signing up for news](#), or emailing [medicaidtransformation@hca.wa.gov](mailto:medicaidtransformation@hca.wa.gov) to join the Feedback Network (include your name and email address).

If you are a health or social service provider, ask your ACH about becoming a partnering provider.

Sign up for your ACH's email list to stay in touch with their progress and ways to be involved.

Help your ACH with their Project and Implementation Plans.

Work with your ACH to support, improve, and strengthen projects.

Help your ACH by working on projects, attending meetings, and contributing to reports.

Continue to help make your communities healthier by working with your ACH to improve health care for all Washingtonians.

ACHs will submit reports twice per year (in January and July) about how they are doing on their projects.

\* Transformation through Accountable Communities of Health is one of the three initiatives of the Medicaid Transformation Demonstration. The Demonstration is an agreement with the federal government, allowing Washington to test innovative ways of improving health care.