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Strategic Partnership



Stark County THRIVE Infant Mortality Project

- Strong evidence based interventions
- Built on broad based community collaboration
- Measure results for success
- Leverage regional investments
- Develop model for sustainable interventions and funding.
- Improve infant mortality
- Eliminate disparities



Pathways Community HUB Model Endorsers



Ohio Commission On
Minority Health

Ohio

Department of
Medicaid



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People™



Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Advancing Excellence in Health Care



Ohio
Department of Health



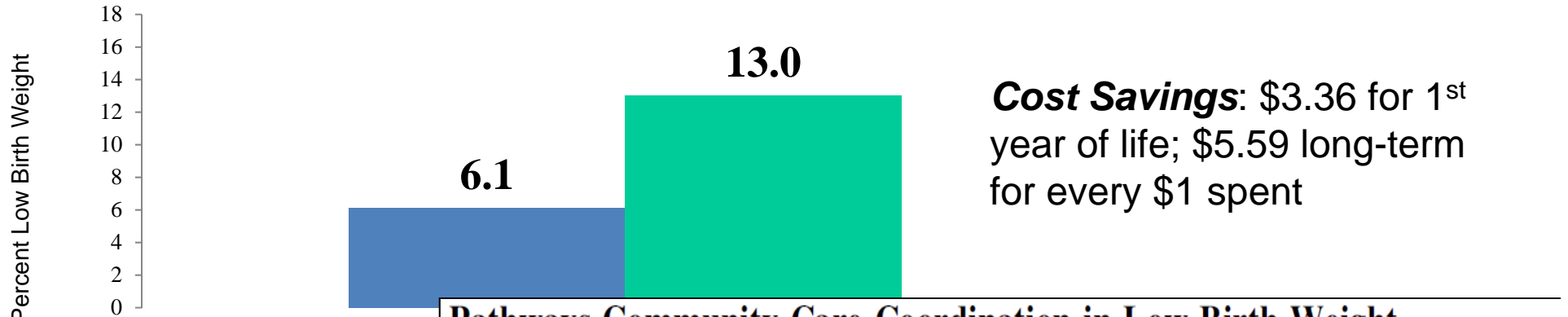
National Science Foundation
WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN



National Institutes of Health
Turning Discovery Into Health

[The CMS Innovation Center](#)

Published Study on Results



Pathway intervention
over 4 years

Pathways Community Care Coordination in Low Birth Weight Prevention

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Kyle Porter · John Paulson · Karen Hughes ·
Mark Redding

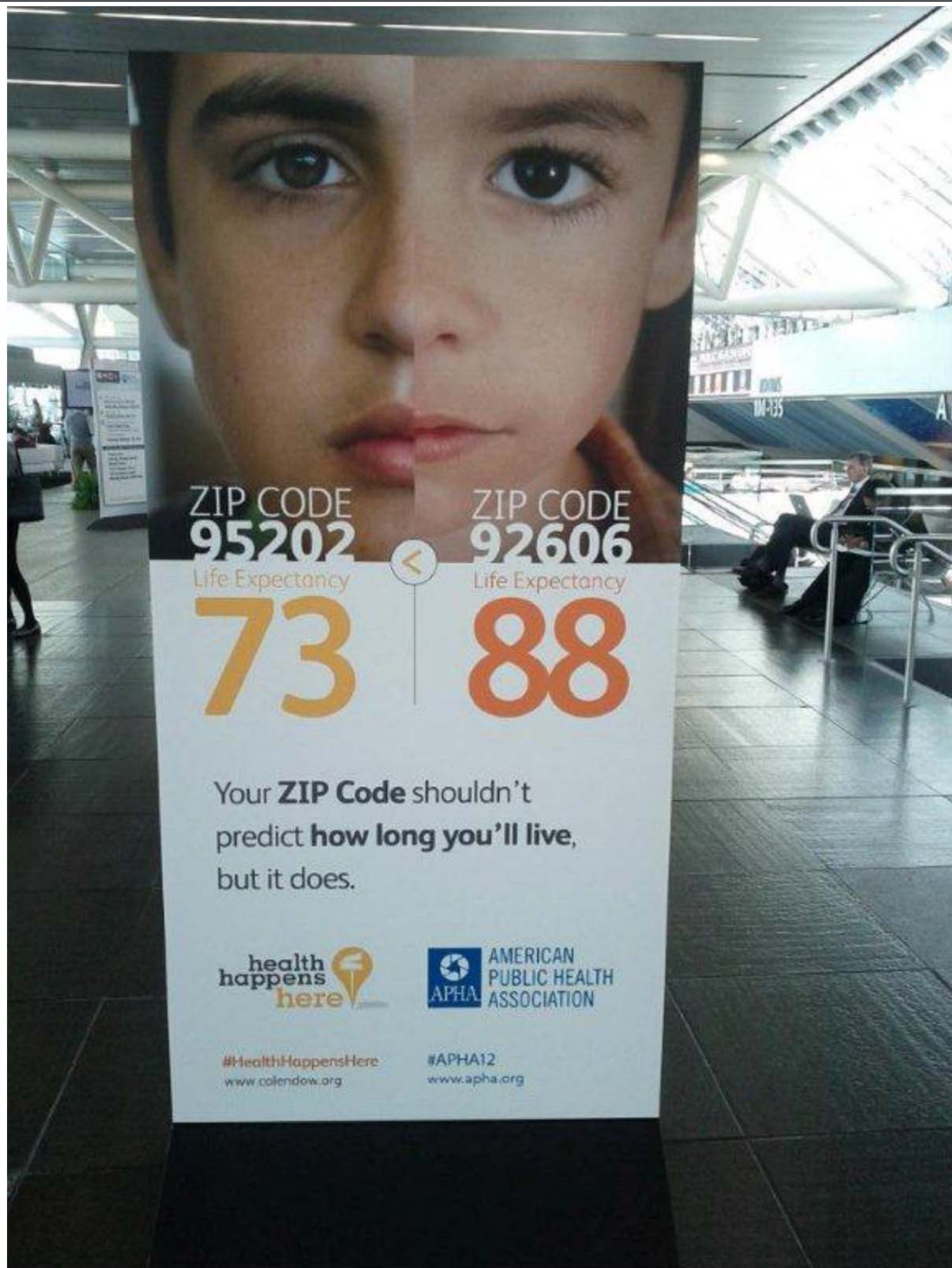
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Abstract The evidence is limited on the effectiveness of home visiting care coordination in addressing poor birth outcome, including low birth weight (LBW). The Community Health Access Project (CHAP) utilizes community health workers (CHWs) to identify women at risk of having poor birth outcomes, connect them to health and social

Women participating in CHAP and having a live birth in 2001 through 2004 constituted the intervention group. Using birth certificate records, each CHAP birth was matched through propensity score to a control birth from the same census tract and year. Logistic regression was used to examine the association of CHAP participation

Health Disparities: Preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations. *Source: CDC*





ZIP CODE
95202

Life Expectancy

73

ZIP CODE
92606

Life Expectancy

88



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predict **how long you'll live,**
but it does.



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REACHING FOR *Health Equity*

Reducing health disparities brings us closer to reaching health equity.



Programs designed
to reduce health
disparities



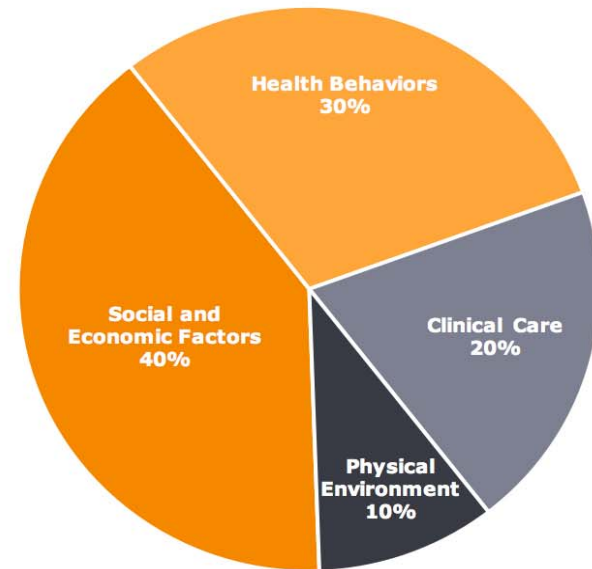
U.S. Department of
Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention

<http://www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/strategies2016/>

Social Determinants



% of Life Expectancy and Health Status Attributable to



Barriers to Health



***The Certified Pathways Community HUB Model
is an effective way for organizations to work toward
common goals.***



Common Goal=Reducing Health Disparities

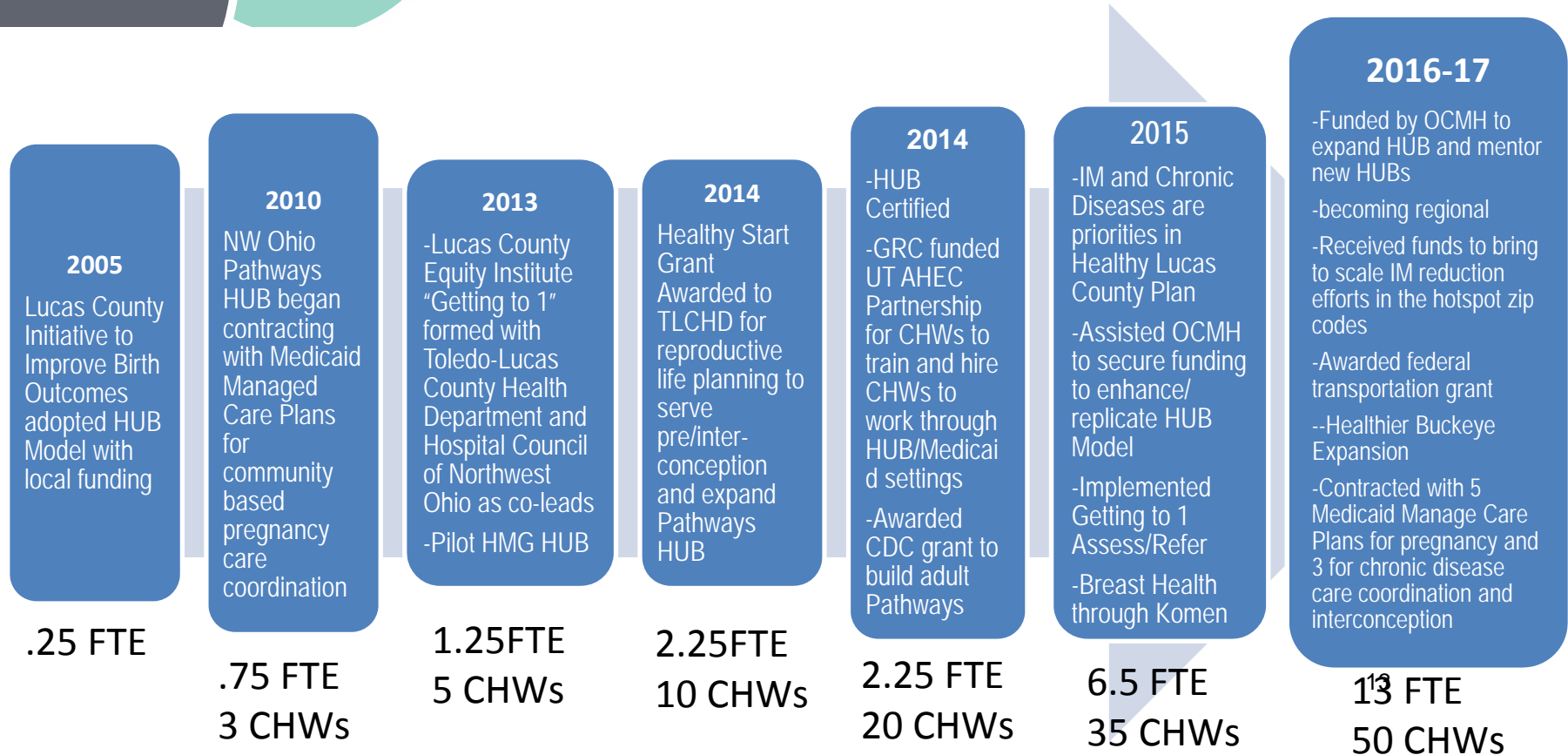
HUB=Collective Impact

The 5 Conditions of Collective Impact

- 1** **Common Agenda**
 - **Common understanding** of the problem
 - **Shared vision** for change
- 2** **Shared Measurement**
 - **Collecting data** and **measuring results**
 - Focus on **performance management**
 - **Shared accountability**
- 3** **Mutually Reinforcing Activities**
 - **Differentiated approaches**
 - **Coordination** through joint plan of action
- 4** **Continuous Communication**
 - **Consistent** and **open communication**
 - Focus on **building trust**
- 5** **Backbone Support**
 - Separate organization(s) with **staff**
 - Resources and skills to **convene** and **coordinate** participating organizations



Milestones to Reduce Health Disparities



Medicaid Managed Care Plan Partners

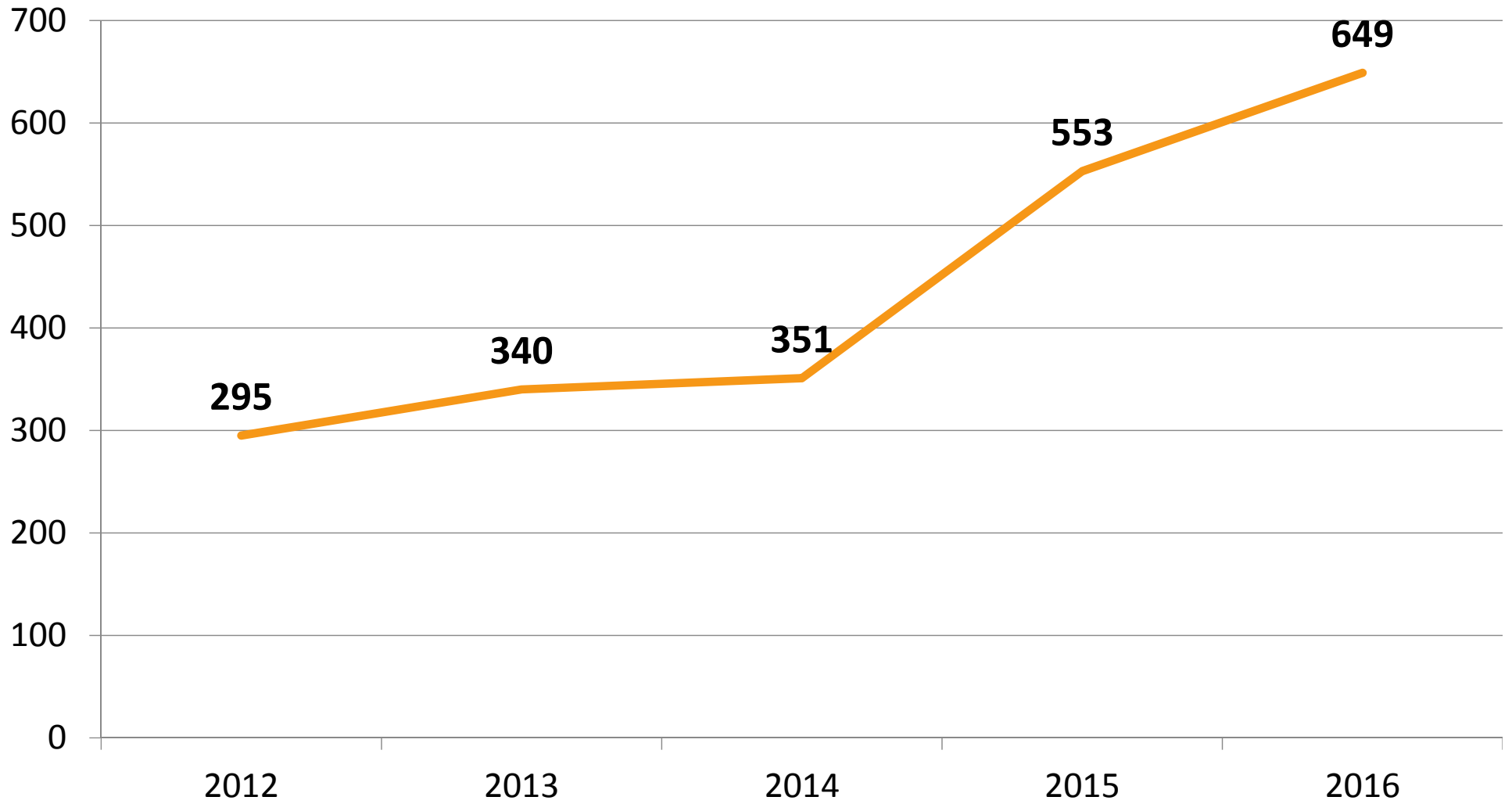
Baby Pathways



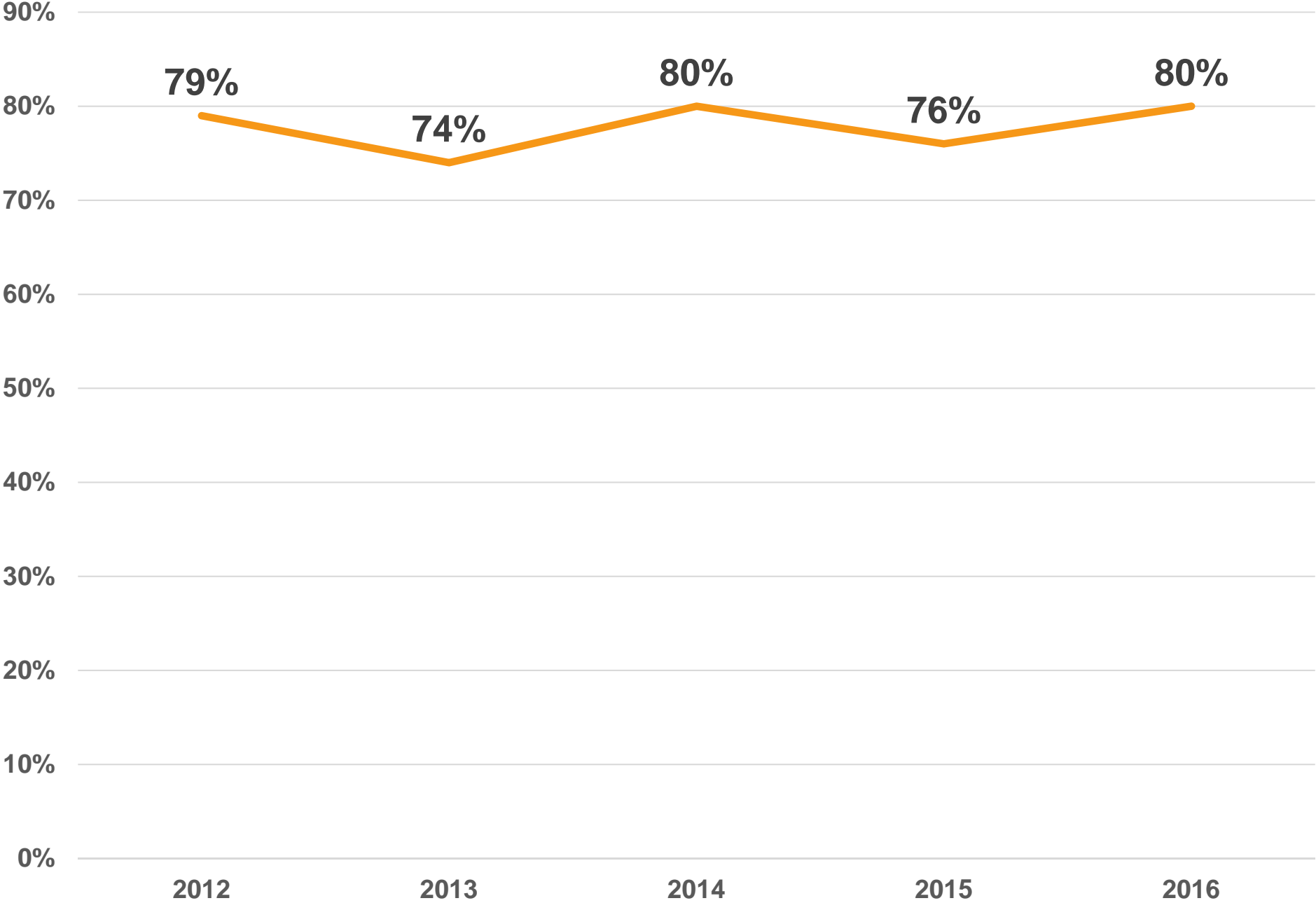
Adult Pathways



Overall Prenatal Enrollments



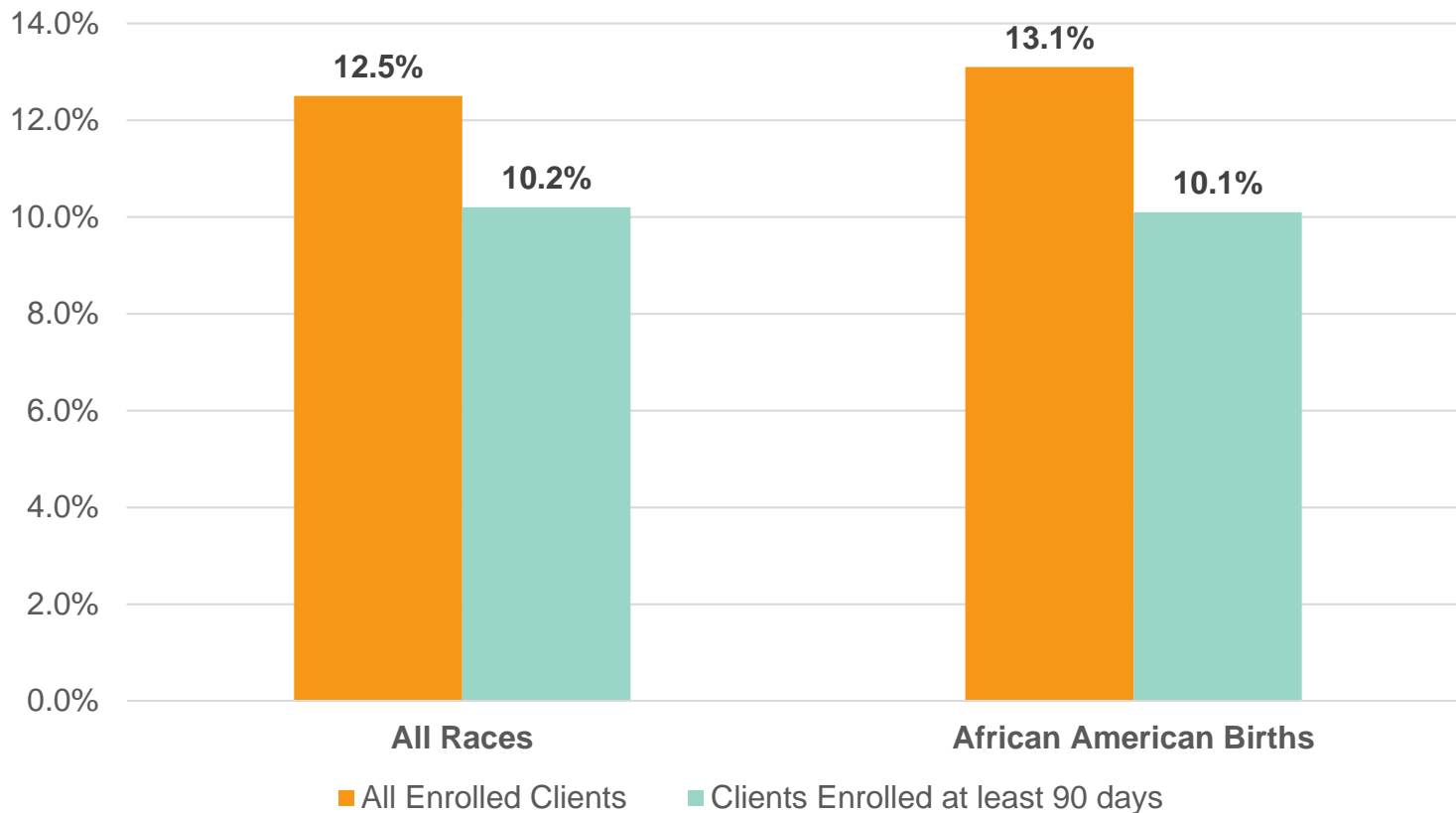
Overall Postpartum Rates



Low Birth Weight Rates 2013-2016

Lucas County 2015
African American – 16%
All Races – 9.6%

All Pathways Clients/Clients Enrolled at Least 90 Days

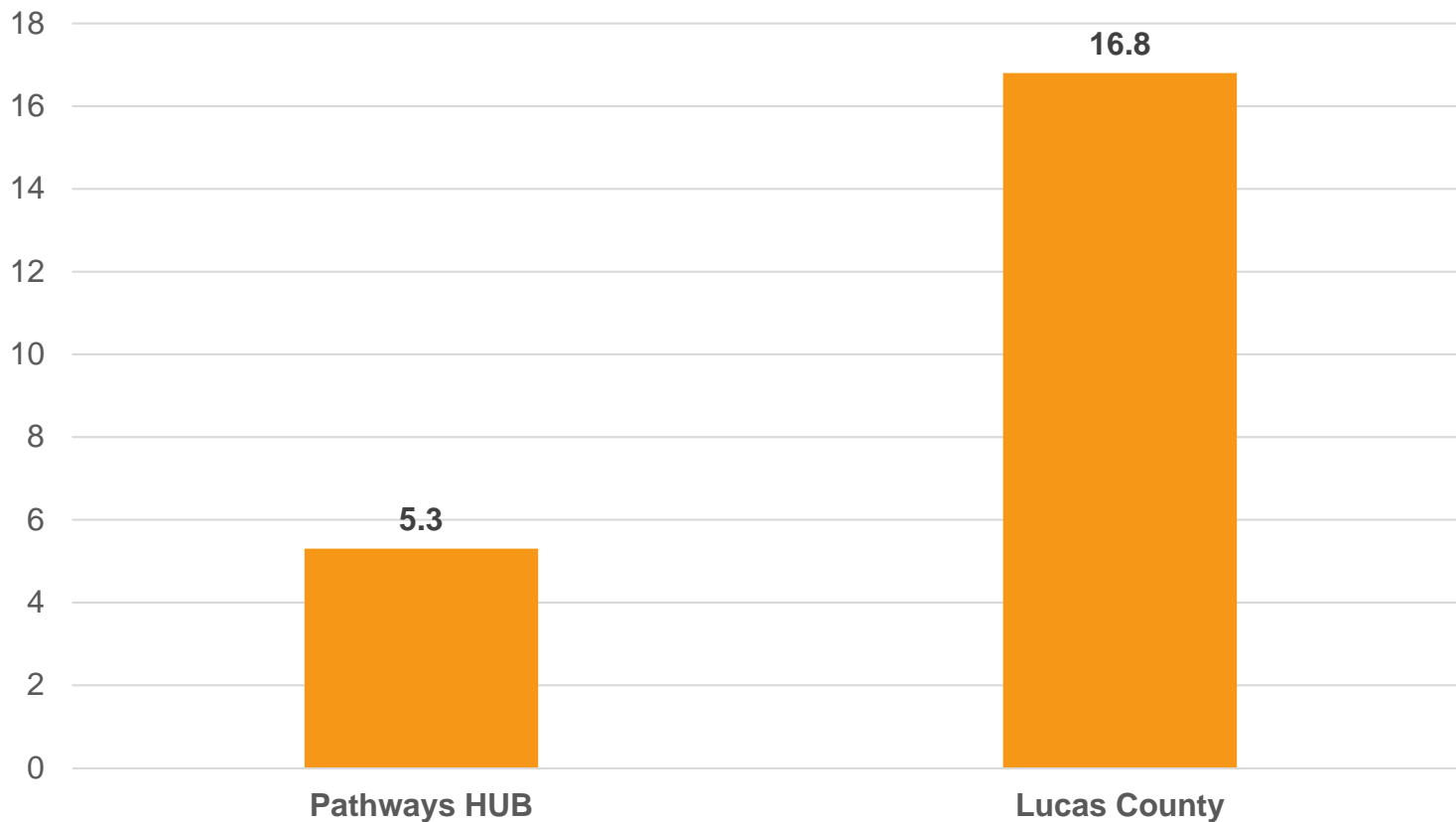




Infant Mortality Rate

HUB FY 2016 compared to Lucas County 2015

African American Infant Mortality Rate





Certified Pathways Community HUB Model

Pathways

Step 1: Find

Comprehensive Risk Assessment

Step 2: Treat

Assign Pathways

Step 3: Measure

Track and Measure Pathways Connections to Care



Direct
Services =
Intervention

Care
Coordination =
clinic based

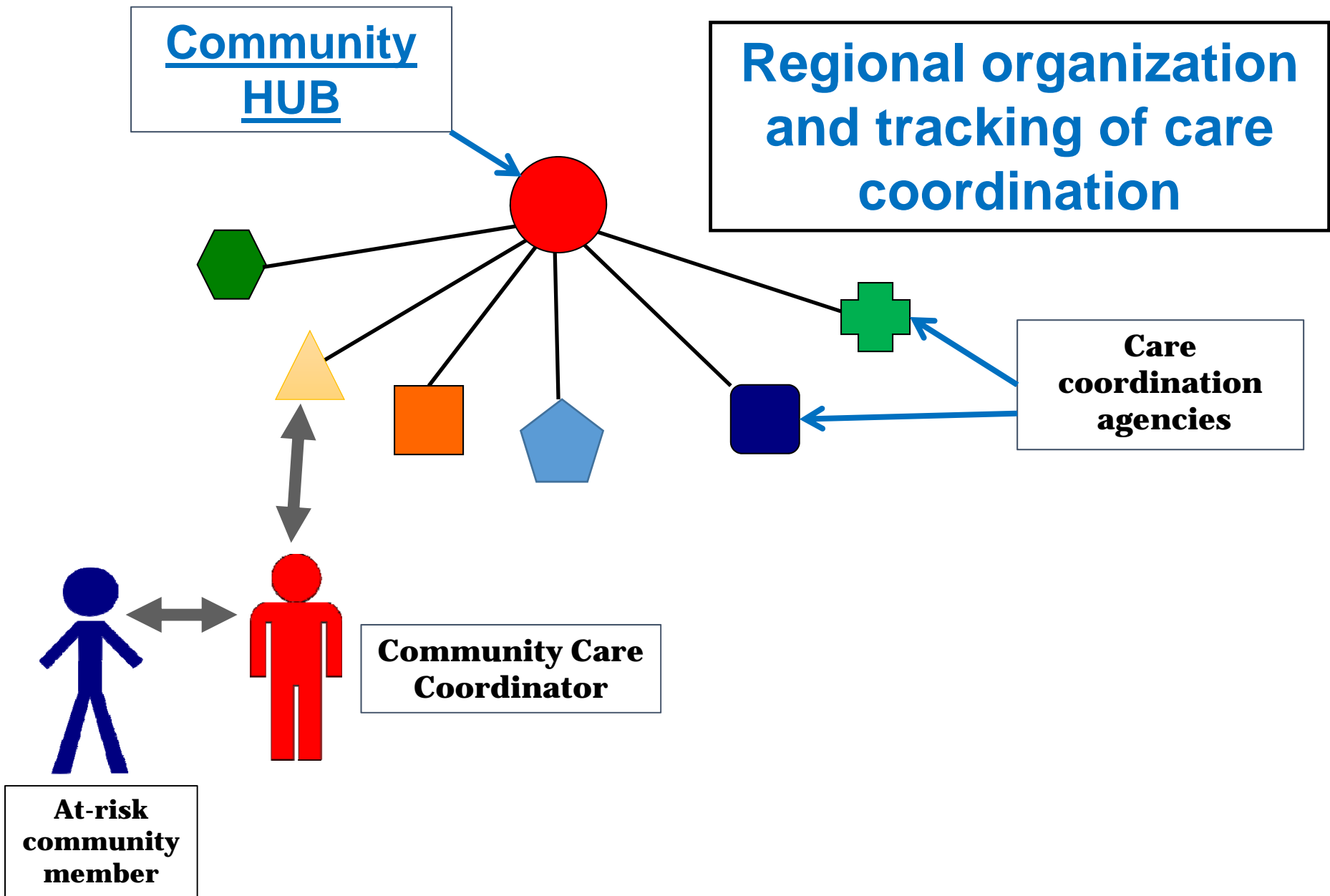
Community
Care
Coordination =
home based

Community Care Coordination – care coordination provided in the community; confirms connection to health and social services.



A Community Care Coordinator:

- Finds and engages at-risk individuals
- Completes comprehensive risk assessments
- Confirms connection to care
- Tracks and measures results



Community-Wide System to Address Disparities and Improve Population Health



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Neutral Forum

Track Data

Measures Outcomes/QI

Provide Training

Eliminate Duplication

Identify & Address Gaps

Community Outreach

Outcome
Payments from
Medicaid
Managed Care
and Grant Funding

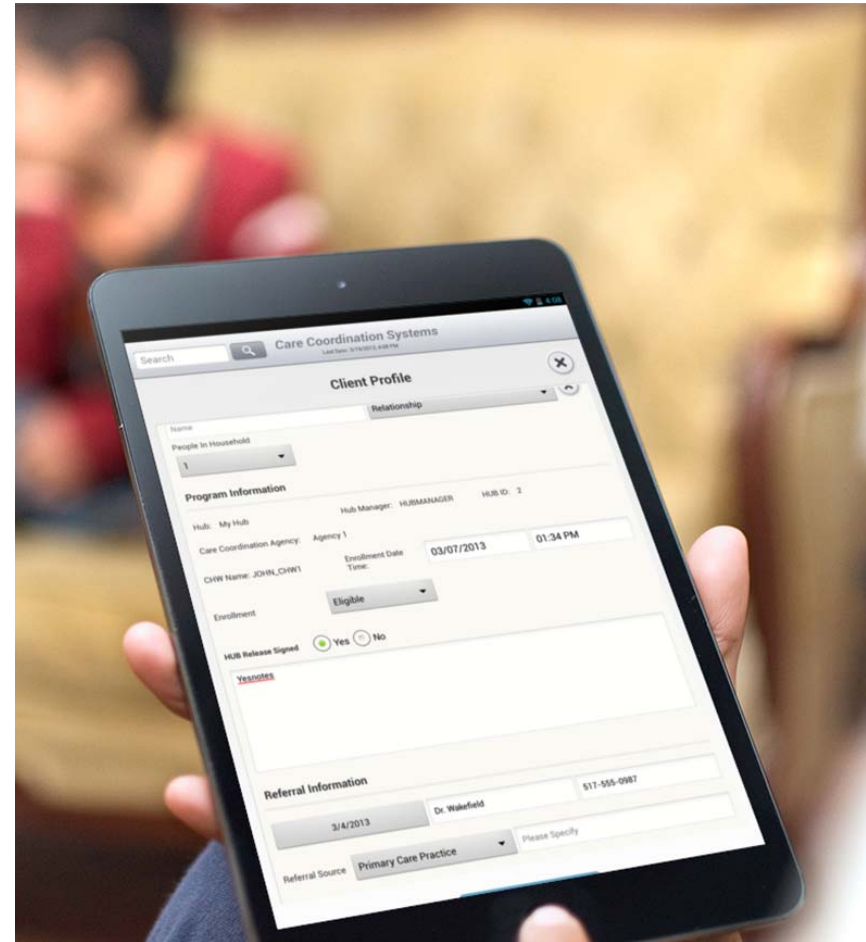
Referrals and
Assessments by
Medical Professionals



Find: Comprehensive Risk Assessment

Standard Data Collection:

- Client Profile
- Initial Checklist (enrollment)
- Ongoing Checklist at each face-to-face visit



Treat: Risk = Pathways (PW)

20 Standard Pathways:

- One risk factor at a time
- Outcome achieved = finished PW & Payment!
- Outcome not achieved = finished incomplete PW

Medical Home Pathway

MEDHOME1
Initiation Date

Initiation
Client needs a medical home (an ongoing source of primary medical care).

Start Date _____

Determine payment source for health care

Payment Source:
 Medicaid
 Medicare
 Private Insurance
 Self Pay
 Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps
 Other: _____

Find appropriate primary medical provider options for payment source.

Medical Provider _____

MEDHOME2
Scheduled Appt. Date

1. Obtain release of information from client.
2. Assist family in scheduling appointment.
3. Provide education about the importance of keeping the appointment - Use education sheet.

Date of Initial Appointment _____

Education provided
 Yes No

MEDHOME3
Completion Date

Completion
Confirm that appointment was kept.

Date of kept appointment _____

MEDHOME4
Finished Incomplete Date

Finished incomplete reason: _____

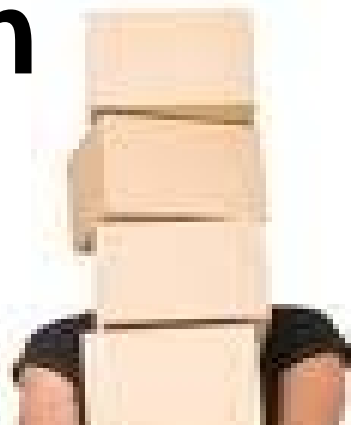
20 Core Pathways – National Certification

- **Adult Education**
- **Employment**
- **Health Insurance**
- **Housing**
- **Medical Home**
- **Medical Referral**
- **Medication Assessment**
- **Medication Management**
- **Smoking Cessation**
- **Social Service Referral**
- **Behavioral Referral**
- **Developmental Screening**
- **Developmental Referral**
- **Education**
- **Family Planning**
- **Immunization Screening**
- **Immunization Referral**
- **Lead Screening**
- **Pregnancy**
- **Postpartum**

Risk Assessment and Risk Reduction



Community Based Care Coordination



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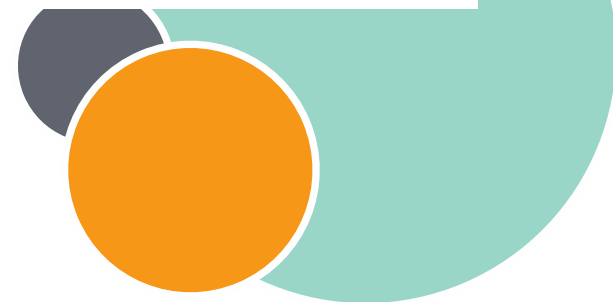


WHAT IS A CERTIFIED COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER?



The Northwest Ohio Pathways HUB system relies on certified community health workers (CHWs), who help connect low-income residents to needed medical care and social services. Who are CHWs, and what can they do for you?

CHWs
Serve as PARTNERS & coaches
to help people take charge of their health.





Connect PEOPLE to health insurance, a primary care provider and medical services.

Educate people about their conditions, and provide referrals to community resources.



Ensure people are able to get food, housing, clothing, diapers and other **BASIC needs.**

Work at physician offices, clinics, agencies and other places **throughout the community.**



Evidence Base for CHW Strategy

- CHWs provide outreach, education, referral and follow-up, case management, advocacy, and home visiting services.
- Rated expected beneficial outcomes include Increased patient knowledge; access to care; healthy behaviors and preventive care.*
- **strong evidence** of effectiveness: interventions that engage CHWs in a team-based care model to improve blood pressure and cholesterol in patients at increased risk for CVD
- **sufficient evidence** of effectiveness: interventions that engage CHWs for health education, and as outreach, enrollment, and information agents to increase self-reported health behaviors (physical activity, healthful eating habits, and smoking cessation) in patients at increased risk for CVD.**

* [County Health Rankings & Roadmaps](#)

** [The Guide to Community Preventive Services Task Force](#)

Measure

Track and Measure Progress with Pathways

By Community Care Coordinator

Name	Medical Home	Pregnancy	Social Service
CHW A	5	2	10
CHW B	1	3	4
CHW C	9	15	18

- **Care Coordinator**
- **Agency**
- **HUB**
- **Community**
- **Region**
- **Etc...**

By Agency

Site	Medical Home	Pregnancy	Social Service
Agency A	50	25	22
Agency B	64	17	35
Agency C	40	32	19

Risk



It is a Systems Issue ...

Are we serving the most at risk?

- 5% of population uses 56% of health care resources (Ohio Medicaid data)
- Most at-risk are often the hardest to serve → no incentive to serve them
- Access for all (insured and un-insured) has gotten worse over the past 10 years

Low Income Resident. . .

Individual issues cross multiple agencies that function as silos:

- Health care
- Insurance
- Housing
- Education / Employment
- Mental health

. . . . and no one is **measuring the system**
→ only the individual agencies

Health-Related Care Coordination Partners



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Community-Based Care Coordination Partners



HUB Services Provided to Canton-Stark County THRIVE

• **Training**

- THRIVE staff to manage the collaboration of care coordinating organizations utilizing the HUB Model;
- Community health workers (CHW) and supervisors to work through the HUB model to achieve positive health and social outcomes.
- Provide technical assistance to work in partnership with the managed care plans and earn payment for positive outcomes by expanding our existing contracts.

• **Operations**

- Provide ongoing data quality services and billing Ohio Medicaid Managed Care Plans for completed Pathways.
- Provide ongoing technical assistance for quality improvement to achieve the desired outcomes.





STRIVE HUB Services Time Line



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STRIVE TEAM



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- Kailyn Kabat, Training and Data Coordinator
- Alayna Cavanaugh, Graduate Assistant

YOUR Connection to a
Healthier Life

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