

**Patient-Centered Medical Home:  
Extending Beyond the Medical  
Clinic using Information Technology**

**Albuquerque Health Care for  
the Homeless**

# Mission/Vision



Albuquerque  
**HEALTHCARE**  
for the homeless

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## **VISION**

To live in a world that is just and without homelessness

## **MISSION**

Provide caring and comprehensive health and integrated supportive services, linking people experiencing homelessness to individual and collective solutions

**and**

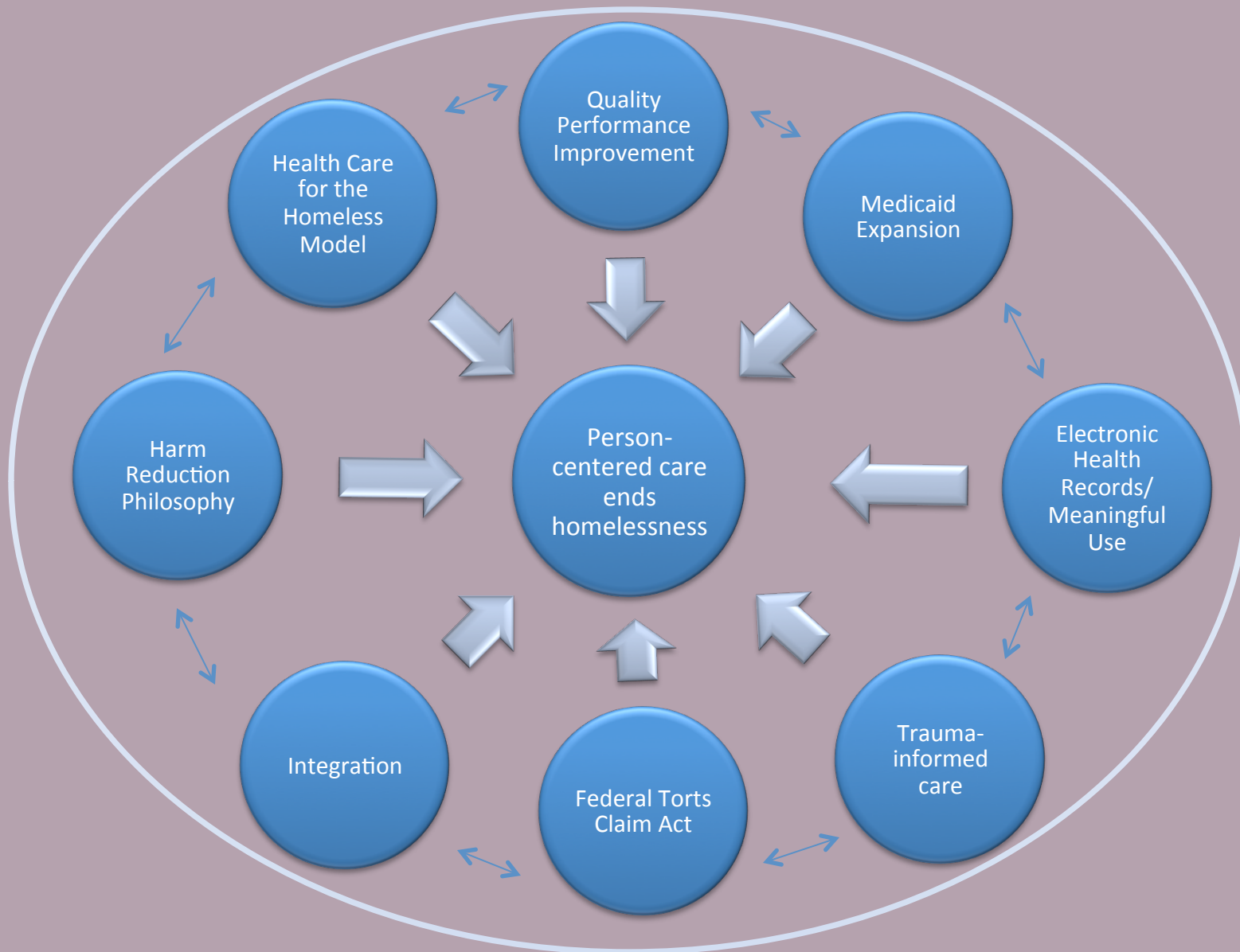
Be a leader in implementing innovative service models and a catalyst for solutions to homelessness

**and**

Uphold a commitment to diversity and equity

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# Patient-centered Health Home Quality Recognition



# 2011 Patient-Centered Medical Home Level - 2

- Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless  
Evaluation Option:
  - Overall Score: **84.50 out of 100.00** (85/100 or .5 of a point away from achieving level – 3 recognition).

# Must Pass Elements Passed: 6

Standard	Element	Your Score	Minimum Score Required	Unit Of Assessment Affected	Passed
PCMH1	Element A	<b>100.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes
PCMH2	Element D	<b>75.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes
PCMH3	Element C	<b>75.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes
PCMH4	Element A	<b>75.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes
PCMH5	Element B	<b>75.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes
PCMH6	Element C	<b>100.00%</b>	50.00%	All	Yes

# AHCH Critical Factors Results

Element	Critical Factor	Met	Condition Not Met
PCMH1A	Providing same-day appointments	Yes	
PCMH1B	Providing timely clinical advice by telephone when the office is not open	No	None
PCMH3A	The third condition, related to unhealthy behaviors or mental health or substance abuse.	Yes	
PCMH3D	Reviews and reconciles medications with patients/families for more than 50 percent of care transitions	Yes	
PCMH3E	Generates at least 75 percent of eligible prescriptions	Yes	

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Element	Critical Factor	Met	Condition Not Met
PCMH4A	Develops and documents self-management plans and goals in collaboration with at least 50 percent of patients/families	Yes	
PCMH5A	Tracks lab tests until results are available, flagging and following up on overdue results	Yes	
PCMH5A	Tracks imaging tests until results are available, flagging and following up on overdue results	Yes	

# PCMH1: Enhance Access and Continuity View Points

- ELEMENT A - Access During Office Hours
- ELEMENT B - After-Hours Access
- ELEMENT C - Electronic Access
- ELEMENT D - Continuity
- ELEMENT E - Medical Home Responsibilities
- ELEMENT F - Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services
- ELEMENT G - Practice Team



# PCMH2: Identify and Manage Patient Populations

- ELEMENT A - Patient Information
- ELEMENT B - Clinical Data
- ELEMENT C - Comprehensive Health Assessment
- ELEMENT D - Use Data for Population Management

# PCMH3: Plan and Manage Care

- ELEMENT A - Implement Evidence-Based Guidelines
- ELEMENT B - Identify High-Risk Patients
- ELEMENT C - Care Management
- ELEMENT D - Medication Management
- ELEMENT E - Use Electronic Prescribing

# PCMH4: Provide Self-Care Support and Community Resources

- ELEMENT A - Support Self-Care Process
- ELEMENT B - Provide Referrals to Community Resources

# PCMH5: Track and Coordinate Care

- ELEMENT A - Test Tracking and Follow-Up
- ELEMENT B - Referral Tracking and Follow-Up
- ELEMENT C - Coordinate With Facilities and Care Transitions

# PCMH6: Measure and Improve Performance

- ELEMENT A - Measure Performance
- ELEMENT B - Measure Patient/Family Experience
- ELEMENT C - Implement Continuous Quality Improvement
- ELEMENT D - Demonstrate Continuous Quality Improvement

# Referral Tracking

Hire referral coordinator

System wide referral tracking

Track through EHR system

Use of alerts

Referrals sit as open orders – Pre-visit clinical review

Review a set of queries – waiting for a response, monthly referral follow-up

# Challenges Other Innovative Ideas

- Setting clients up with an email account
- Patient Portal – make appts, view labs, dialogue with providers via computer – 76% usage, able to leave a message into the portal and attach letters for the client
- Americorps volunteers – escort, computer work, help with paperwork
- Computer access for the clients? Library, shelters/day program
- Letters in the EMR – generate letters for clients that are signed by the provider
- Text messaging – reminders & lost to care
- Students – help with data integrity, chart reviews

# After Hours Access

- Answering service and providers on call
- Nurse navigator system
- Urgent Care/Express clinics
- 11hrs/day, Saturday & Sunday
- After hours contract with hospital
- Ask a nurse - triage



# Follow-up with clients that haven't been seen in ???months

- Baseline? 6 months, 3 months, match to QM matrix
- Tie to utilization, decrease the number of months based on the data
- Clients not seen within a month – PCMH
- Contact no-show same day
- Every visit verify cell # & contact info.
- Coord with mental health

# Documenting Self Management Techniques

- Run multidisciplinary groups – referrals tracked in the EHR
- EHR has a self management – quick text templates, quick note favorite
- Built in EHR templates – chronic conditions
- Case Managers – follow-up & notes

Follow-up with clients who need tests  
or lab results

# What are you struggling with?

- Time
- Community Psylos
- Needing more staff
- What is the perfect staffing ratio?
- How do you work smart?
- Maintaining honest & integrity
- Philosophy of care – alphabet soup
- Self care & burn out – set of core values that includes life balance