# Family HealthCare Network

Evolving Traditional Operations into an Innovative Engine for Engaging Patients and Creative Outreach Approaches for Marketplace Enrollment

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#### **Our Service Area**



#### **About FHCN**

- 119,000 unique users
- 600,000 visits annually
- 57% of our patient population work in agriculture, including trucking and dairies.
- Nearly 42% of our patient population's primary language is not English.
- Tulare County had one of the highest uninsured rates in the State. At least 25% uninsured.
- We started with 50,000 managed care lives (50% of lives within Tulare & Kings County); as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 56,000
- In the State of CA, more than half of enrollers were from CHCs

## Traditionally...

#### Robust community health program

- Community Health Representatives located throughout the service areas to connect patients and community members with community resources (including non-health care).
- Provided application assistance for insurance such as Medi-Cal, Covered CA, Cal Fresh, etc.
- Conducted and participated in in-reach & outreach events (e.g. health fairs and enrollment fairs).
- Focused on building community partnerships and linkages within the communities.
- Collaborated & helped develop curriculum for Community Health Worker Certification program
- Capitalized with the media

#### Community HealthCorp/ AmeriCorps Program

- 12 AmeriCorps members
- Programs included: Reach out and Read program, nutrition program, senior program, promotora, and efforts to reduce emergency room utilization.
- During enrollment, helped navigate and conducted follow up during extended hours

#### Promotora program

- Offered volunteers an opportunity to receive training on special programs and health topics (e.g. vocational training ESL), provide community educations, and participate in health fairs with our team.
- Currently have approximately 30 promotoras/ores.
- Function was to communicate updates/messages within their communities.

#### Opportunities to Expand Outreach & Enrollment

- Grant funding:
  - From HRSA enabled expansion of O/E staff at 10 of our health centers
    - Increased from 13 to 23 Community Health Workers
    - Maintained 12 AmeriCorps
    - Maintained 30 Promotores(as) (backfill for Community Health Worker role who became enrollers)
  - Our regional consortia supported outreach/enrollment efforts through a subcontract.
  - The County received funding; established a call center and ACA stakeholders group.

### **California**

- CA has its own exchange Covered CA
  - Set up outreach & enrollment program (training & certification)
  - Capacity didn't support adequate education of enrollers & educators
  - CPCA advocacy resulted in a partnership/subcontract for enrollment training and certification. Further delegated to local consortium.

#### State PCA Involvement & Coordination

California Primary Care Association (CPCA)

- Capitalized on the branding of CaliforniaHealth+ campaign (unified look at CHC's)
  - California Endowment branding "Asegurate" to target Latinos and linked to California Health+ campaign → CHC's
    - Millions of \$ for media & Univision
  - Link placed on Covered CA's website
- Took a lead role from HRSA
  - CPCA received funding to support CHC's through process
  - Provided weekly updates and trainings
  - Led an outreach and enrollment Peer Network

## **Regional Collaboration**

- Central Valley Health Network (Regional Consortia) took a lead on collaborative grant for State's Covered CA outreach program.
  - Became Master Trainers for the State's Covered CA program → train
    CHC's on site
  - Led outreach peer network calls for communication to CHCs in the region (sharing of referral sources)
- Regional Covered CA Outreach and Enrollment Network established (receive updates)

#### **Local Collaboration and Coordination**

- Local ACA Stakeholder's Group included a variety of community based CBOs, hospitals, County Office of Ed, County (Call Center), School Districts, WIB, etc.
  - Enrollment events (FHCN was the only enroller who would send staff)
- Co-location of our staff in various public agencies (e.g. Workforce Investment Board's One Stop Shops (unemployment services), County Child Support centers)
- Co-location of County Eligibility Workers in our health centers.
- Private partnerships to raise awareness and enroll (e.g. Chamber of Commerce – how it would impact local businesses)

# Local Collaboration and Coordination (con't)

- Low Income Health Program (1115 waiver) County based program designed to bridge the low income population to the ACA
- 2400 lives out of 4200 57% were FHCN
- Transitioned to Medi-Cal Managed as of January 1, 2014

# Internal Education Team One Approach

- FHCN's leadership was completely committed to this process and part of our strategic objectives.
- Sought feedback from all staff on how to roll this effort out.
- Operationally, we trained all levels of our staff including Board and Volunteers.
- Launched a network / public campaign called "Enscribete/Enroll Now"
- Community Resource Center in our major hub in Porterville established.
  - Ventanilla de Salud program at Mexican Consulate
- Offered extended hours / on-site staff within the lobbies.
- Dedicated phone line established.
- Team called potential eligibles by telephone.

#### **Media as Partners**

- Campaigned in the media well in advance for over 1 year.
  - Pitched articles to local print outlets we commented when others did not – our message was uniform and positive.
  - Articles promoted that change was coming and where information could be accessed.
  - Integrated same message in print and radio advertising.
  - Successful campaigns led to opportunities to promote changes and services on television news shows (English and Spanish television)
- Approach led news outlets to recognize FHCN as the "source" for ACA updates, opinion pieces and education opportunities.

## **Community Outreach/Enrollment**

- Large and small outreach events (including outreach at community colleges, home shows, etc)
- Cuadrillas
- Referrals from insurance brokers, real estate agents, funeral homes, tax preparers, etc.
- Included education/promotional information at all events and FHCN programs.
- Enrollment fairs with private and public partners (e.g. gyms, community centers/churches, etc)
- Social Media

### **Recognition of our Efforts**

- 1 of the top 10 "lead" generators in the entire State of California for outreach.
- Over 47,000 individuals reached through outreach events, presentations, in-reach, eligibility screenings.
- Over 6,000 applications completed for Covered CA and Medi-Cal
- Increase of **5,261** managed care members since Dec. 2013
- Recognized by Covered CA staff for our efforts

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