

Collaborative Forum Explores Provider Scorecard and Community Capacity Concepts

This week, the Collaborative Forum sponsored two events as it continues to look at innovations in health and human services that could provide greater service and efficiency. On September 27, the Provider Scorecard Work Group met to discuss the Provider Scorecard Concept Paper that is posted to the work group area of the Collaborative Forum web site. The discussion focused on strengthening the idea so it can be considered for possible funding. Among other things, participants suggested expanding the explanation of cost-effectiveness and providing specific examples of the type of programs would find the implementation of a scorecard most helpful. The concept paper will be revised and posted to the web site within the next two weeks for additional ideas and comments.

On September 29, the Forum sponsored a webinar during which Laura Porter, staff director of the Washington State Family Policy Council, discussed its general community capacity approach. Under this approach, communities can achieve better results more quickly than any group acting individually. Community networks are partially state-funded based on population size, but the community is given the flexibility to identify its own problems and solutions. The model pulls from a wide range of evidence-based knowledge and filters it to the unique needs of the community. The focus is on the interrelatedness of social problems and looks at the intergenerational nature of problems using the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) study. The presentation is posted on the Collaborative Forum web site, <http://collaborativeforumonline.com/>.

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