

## Project ECHO

### Letter of Participation

Our facility would like to participate in the TMF Quality Innovation Network Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO) Project ECHO initiative and focus on Mental Health Integration (MHI) in primary care. We understand the expectations for this project and agree to participate fully **between our enrollment in this project and September 2018**.

#### Project Goals and Benefits to Participating Clinicians

Clinicians who participate in this initiative will work to achieve the following goals over a two-year period ending September 2018:

- Reduce harm by implementing best practices to increase response rates, improve patient satisfaction and reduce emergency department use
- Strengthen person and family engagement at the community level through the MHI model
- Use Project ECHO to improve clinicians' communication and coordination through training with specialists at an academic hub
- Prevent chronic diseases, such as diabetes and congestive heart failure, that can co-occur with depression and alcohol use disorder
- Make care more affordable by providing specialty expertise to clinicians through Project ECHO and MHI

The TMF QIN-QIO will recruit physicians participating in the Behavioral Health Learning and Action Network in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas, as well as Advanced Practice Registered Nurses in Texas.

#### Project Recruitment

Recruitment will take place in four cohorts, each consisting of 20 practices.

	Cohort Start Date
<b>Cohort 1</b>	March 1, 2017
<b>Cohort 2</b>	May 24, 2017
<b>Cohort 3</b>	Aug. 16, 2017
<b>Cohort 4</b>	Nov. 8, 2017

#### Participant Requirements

1. Attend teleECHO clinics every Wednesday, noon – 1 p.m. CT, for 12 weeks
2. Submit patient case studies one week in advance of a teleECHO clinic to ensure appropriate response time from subject-matter experts
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4. Collect quality improvement metrics measuring implementation of the MHI model and patient outcomes on a monthly and quarterly basis
5. Complete baseline and follow-up self-efficacy surveys measuring the change in self-efficacy pre- and post-participation in the teleECHO clinics

Practice Name (*type or print*): \_\_\_\_\_

Practice Tax Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice Address (*type or print*): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the name and email address for each participating provider in your practice below. A link to participate in the teleECHO clinics will only be sent to the email addresses you provide.

Provider Name	Email Address

Data Manager for Practice (Who is the best person to contact for retrieving data/reports?)	Title	Phone	Email Address

## Required Signatures

**Executive leader (chief executive officer, chief operations officer, administrator or owner) must sign:**

Executive Name (*type or print*): \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Title (*type or print*): \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Email (*type or print*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Once this form is completed, please fax it to 512-225-8380 or scan and email it to Caitlin Fenerty, [Caitlin.Fenerty@area-b.hcqis.org](mailto:Caitlin.Fenerty@area-b.hcqis.org).**

Thank you in advance for your commitment to this important initiative. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and QIN-QIOs are working together to provide you with education, tools and resources to support you in this initiative. **Together we can make a difference.**



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