



TCCN Clinical Advisory Taskforce

Body of Evidence:

The Tennessee Charitable Care Network (TCCN) needs your team's expertise to build our *Body of Evidence* based on collectively reporting data to improve health quality, equity, outcomes and sustainability among Tennessee's Free and Charitable Clinics (FCCs). TCCN's first *Body of Evidence* initiative is AHA/AMA's hypertension management program, Target:BP which requires a high-level, aggregated data submission once a year. As of May 2019, 18 TCCN members registered with Target:BP and 14 members submitted data – a great start!

TCCN is building its *Body of Evidence* incrementally, without additional funding at this point. For this reason, the first several measures do not require the use of a shared data repository. Importantly, beyond mandatory completion of the annual member survey, participation in building the *Body of Evidence* is completely voluntary with participation expected to grow slowly over time.

Role of the TCCN Clinical Advisory Council:

Members of your team can help shape this important work by participating in TCCN's Clinical Advisory Council which will guide the timing, clinical focus (i.e. disease state) and protocols for data capture and reporting across the Network. The Clinical Advisory Council will evaluate reported data to identify opportunities for improved outcomes and/or equity, along with recommending best practices for implementation. Other Clinical Advisory Council responsibilities include overseeing the development of the annual membership survey, suggesting topics for educational programming and addressing questions that may arise about best practices in addressing specific clinical concerns.

TCCN's first three *Body of Evidence* measurement priorities are: 1) hypertension (Target:BP) and screening and treatment/referral for 2) depression, and 3) diabetes. The first two disease states, hypertension, and depression have national programs behind them that do not require TCCN to build any particular data management capability (i.e., members can report results directly into the Target:BP or Mental Health America (MHA)'s websites).

Wanted:

TCCN's Clinical Advisory Council should have broad representation across medical specialties and provider levels: physician, NP/PA/nursing/med techs, dentists, dental assistants, psychologists, social workers, etc. The Council's work will be most valuable if it reflects large and small, rural, and urban provider settings – that is, reflects TCCN membership. The Council will meet no more than quarterly and for no more than one hour via Zoom. **All interested providers and non-providers are welcome** to participate. The Council will be self-governing, meeting only as necessary and agreed upon by Council members. Mary Kiger and Sara deBettencourt (TCCN Coordinator) will staff the work of the Council and be responsible for data collection and management as needed. Please suggest participants from your organization by completing the following form.