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A note from Jo Porter, Director, IHPP
Thank you for taking the time to review the 2018 IHPP Annual Report. This report highlights just a few examples of the team’s work, and we encourage you to visit our website to learn more about our projects and skill sets. We want to thank all of our funders and partners for a very successful year. **Together**, we are making a difference for the people of New Hampshire and beyond.

With sincere appreciation,

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The **Institute for Health Policy and Practice** (IHPP) is an applied research institute located within the College of Health and Human Services at the University of New Hampshire. IHPP conducts and disseminates high-quality, cutting-edge applied research and policy work that enables health system partners to implement evidence-based strategies to improve population health.

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Substance Use Confidentiality Bootcamp

The Health Law and Policy team hosted two technical assistance sessions with the Department of Health and Human Services on the privacy of substance use disorder records and 42 CFR Part 2, the federal law that governs the disclosure of such records.

The sessions helped participants, including representatives from New Hampshire’s Integrated Delivery Networks, managed care organizations, providers, data teams, and the State of New Hampshire, evaluate appropriate regulatory pathways to allow for integrated care, treatment, and evaluation.

Approximately 70 people attended each session. They participated in activities that included a review of 42 CFR Part 2, a summary of updates from the 2018 Final Rule, and information exchange mapping in breakout groups.
Oral Health Report Suite

To better understand the cost and use of oral health care services in New Hampshire, IHPP developed an Oral Health Report Suite. With funding provided by New Hampshire Children’s Health Foundation, and guidance from the NH Oral Health Stakeholder Group, IHPP developed an on-line tool that is based on NH Medicaid fee-for-service and commercial dental claims data.

APCD-Common Data Layout (CDL)

In late 2018, the All-Payers Claim Database (APCD) Council, a collaboration between IHPP and the National Association of Health Data Organizations, in partnership with states, their vendors, and the payer community, completed the first official draft of the APCD-Common Data Layout (CDL) for state APCDs, in an effort to harmonize the collection of APCD data. This version of the APCD-CDL™ was made available on January 1, 2019.
NAS and FASD analysis

In partnership with the NH Community Health Institute and the Northern New England Perinatal Quality Improvement Network, the Center for Health Analytics provided analysis on the diagnoses of Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) which was included in an April 2018 report to the NH Charitable Foundation. Analysis included inpatient hospital discharges as well as commercial and Medicaid Managed Care claims analysis.
HealthyUNH

Established in 2008 through a charge from former UNH President Mark Huddleston, Healthy UNH is a program that enhances the mission of the University by supporting the lifelong health and wellness of the UNH community. Healthy UNH promotes nutrition, physical activity, and psychological health, and educates the UNH population about the healthcare system and how to be a savvy healthcare consumer. One way Healthy UNH messages about this work is through the creation of tools, such as Choosing an Appropriate Level of Care.
Partnership for Academic-Clinical Telepractice: Medication for Addiction Treatment (PACT-MAT) & Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO)

Launched by the Department of Nursing and IHPP’s New Hampshire Citizens Health Initiative, IHPP’s PACT-MAT ECHO links community-based sites and nurse practitioner students with faculty experts to teach and spread best practices for opioid use disorder treatment.

The telepractice learning community, which spans across 17 NH practices statewide, fosters a culture that understands addiction as a chronic disease and is prepared and capable to address a range of issues through case-based learning and enhancing access to MAT in NH’s local communities and practices.
Supporting Community-Based Organizations

An important aspect of our work is to support the sustainability of community-based organizations serving older people. We share national learning collaborative resources and tools and coordinate trainings and workshops for these organizations. With these supports, participants are expanding their business savvy to diversify and strengthen funding streams. Suring up the future of organizations serving older people will help create communities in which we can all thrive as we age.

Keeping PACE with the Changing Landscape of LTSS Payment Models
Developed by the Center on Aging and Community Living (CACL) in partnership with the NH Alliance for Healthy Aging, Developing a Foundation for Integrated Care Coordination builds a foundation for dialogue around the three systems of care: medical, community social service, and informal support. Released in December of 2018, this brief explores how to create opportunities to rethink how we coordinate the multitude of systems that touch our lives.