

# IHC: RURAL PCMH CHALLENGES

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NCQA Level 3 PCMH

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30 years experience

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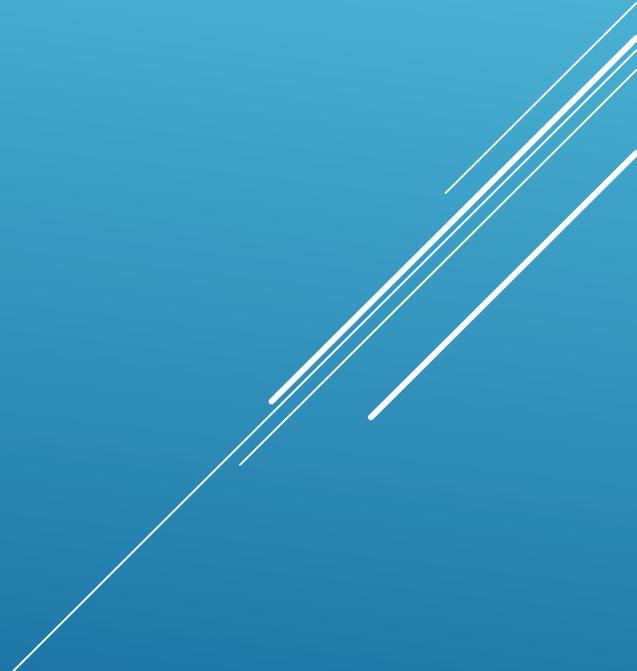
SHIP/IHC Member

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Rural/Frontier Practice

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WHY IS DR. DAVIS HERE?



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Only  
clinic  
in an  
area  
larger  
than  
Rhode  
Island!

EMR: eClinicalWorks Since 2009 (Patient Portal, Meaningful Use, Patient Registries, PCMH Functionality)

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Three Cities: Shoshone, Richfield and Dietrich

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County Population About 4,700  
Clinic One of 47 RHCs in Idaho

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HOW RURAL IS SFMC?



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Dr. Davis

2 PA-C, 2 NP, CNM

and Staff

LCSW, CRC, CDE

2 RN, 2 LPN, 3 MA, CPC

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WHO IS AT SHOSHONE FAMILY  
MEDICAL CENTER?

- ▶ Goal 1: Transform Primary Care Practice to PCMH
- ▶ Goal 2: Develop Virtual PCMHs for Rural/Frontier Areas
- ▶ Goal 3: Build Out the PCMH Neighborhood (EMRS, IHDE)
- ▶ Goal 4: Develop Seven Regional Health Collaboratives to Oversee Delivery and Quality Integration
- ▶ Goal 5: Build Statewide Data Gathering and Analytics System
- ▶ Goal 6: Align Payment Mechanisms
- ▶ Goal 7: Reduce Healthcare Costs

WHAT ARE THOSE IHC GOALS?  
LET'S FOCUS ON 1 THROUGH 4

- ▶ NIMBLE (Quick to Adapt/Change)(NCQA Level 3)
- ▶ Great Quality of Life and Healthy Living Possible
- ▶ Lower Levels of Noise, Air, Water and Light Pollution
- ▶ Great Provider/Patient Relationships (Everyone Knows Everyone)
- ▶ Other

## RURAL STRENGTHS

- ▶ Limited Resources: Staff, I.T., Provider Access, Capital
- ▶ Dependence on Leadership and Other Skills of a Few
- ▶ Loosely (Or Poorly) Defined Job Descriptions Common
- ▶ FHQCs Well Organized Via IPCA; RHCs Not
- ▶ Other

## RURAL CHALLENGES

- ▶ IHC Hopes to Transition About 55 Practices to PCMH Each Year of the Study With Assistance from the Seven Regional Centers
- ▶ The Assistance to Be Provided by the Centers is Yet Undefined
- ▶ “We don’t know what assistance is needed. But we’ll know it when we see it!”
- ▶ Rural Practices Have Some Fairly Predictable Strengths and Challenges

## SUMMARY

▶ ***Thank you*** for the opportunity to attend your annual meeting and spend some time with you focusing on the Rural/Frontier aspects of the Idaho Healthcare Coalition!

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?  
CONCERNS?

