State Innovation Model

Twenty percent of the factors that influence a person’s health are related to access and quality of care. The other 80 percent are due to socioeconomic, environmental, and behavioral factors. Michigan’s State Innovation Model (SIM) seeks to provide a solution for the 80 percent. Working beyond clinical walls is fundamental to empowering people to better care for themselves and participate in Michigan’s growing economy, lowering health costs for the state.

The State of Michigan, through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), implements the SIM initiative under three main umbrellas: population health, care delivery, and technology.

Population Health
Community Health Innovation Regions (CHIRs) form the foundation of the Population Health component of the SIM initiative. CHIRs represent a unique, coordinated approach to improving conditions where people live, work, learn, and play. CHIRs bring a broad group of stakeholders together to improve the wellbeing of the residents in their community, in particular, by addressing factors that affect a person’s health. These partners use systems change to ensure that people’s needs are met in and outside of the doctor’s office.

Care Delivery
Providing high-quality care at an exceptional value to consumers is the goal of the care delivery initiative. Through primary care teams, patient-centered medical homes (PCMHs) deliver more comprehensive, coordinated care to patients when and where they need it. In its PCMH Initiative, SIM is testing the ability of the model to improve population health and increase access to nonhealth-related resources through clinical-community linkages. To increase value, SIM is working to promote the use of alternative payment models to incentivize healthcare practices to provide high-quality and cost-efficient care.

2,200
Primary care physicians participate in the PCMH initiative*

345,000
Medicaid beneficiaries are covered by PCMHs*

*Average monthly participation
Technology

Michigan is leveraging its data-sharing infrastructure to support its healthcare transformation goals. This infrastructure will support several critical aspects of care coordination, including a health provider directory, a system for tracking relationships between patients and healthcare providers, exchange of quality-related data and performance results, and admission-discharge-transfer notifications.

How does SIM benefit Michigan?

Healthcare Providers
SIM aims to enhance patient-centered outcomes

Consumers
SIM provides improved access to healthcare and increases connections with community resources

Lawmakers
SIM is designed to increase the value of healthcare in Michigan

Communities
SIM creates more capacity, coordinates resources, and aligns strategies

Payers
SIM promotes more efficient and effective healthcare expenditures

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