

Why Integrated Care?

Why Primary Care?

Augment access to behavioral health services in settings where people feel comfortable receiving care

Mental illnesses and other chronic health conditions frequently co-occur

Harnessing the **Power of Primary** Care

> **Primary care** providers currently prescribe 50% of the medications for depression and anxiety

More visits for mental health conditions take place in primary care offices than psychiatry offices

Youth 66%

Adults with depression **31%**

Primary care providers see 45% of individuals in the 30 days prior to suicide attempts

What is Integrated Care?

Care that results from a practice team of primary care and behavioral health clinicians, working together with patients and families, using a systematic and cost-effective approach to provide patient-centered care for a defined population.

This care may address mental health and substance abuse conditions, health behaviors (including their contribution to chronic medical illnesses), life stressors and crises, stress-related physical symptoms, and ineffective patterns of health care utilization.

COORDINATION

Providers discuss patients, exchange information as needed, and collaborate from a distance.

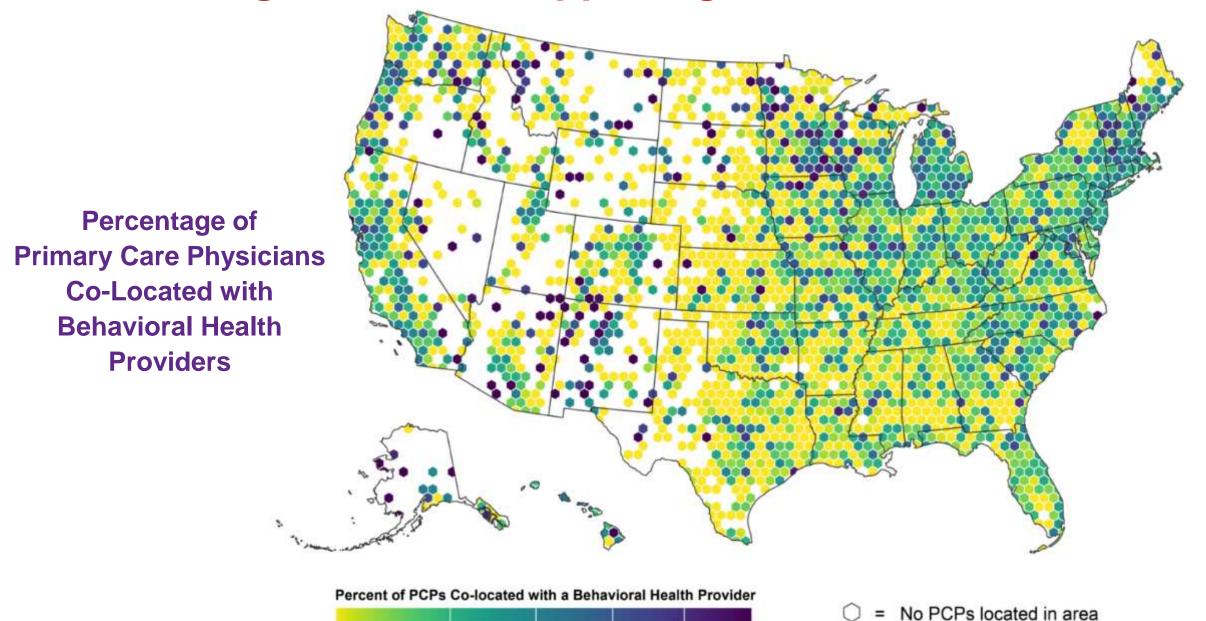
CO-LOCATION

Providers are in the same facility, they might share some functions/staffing, and discuss patients as needed.

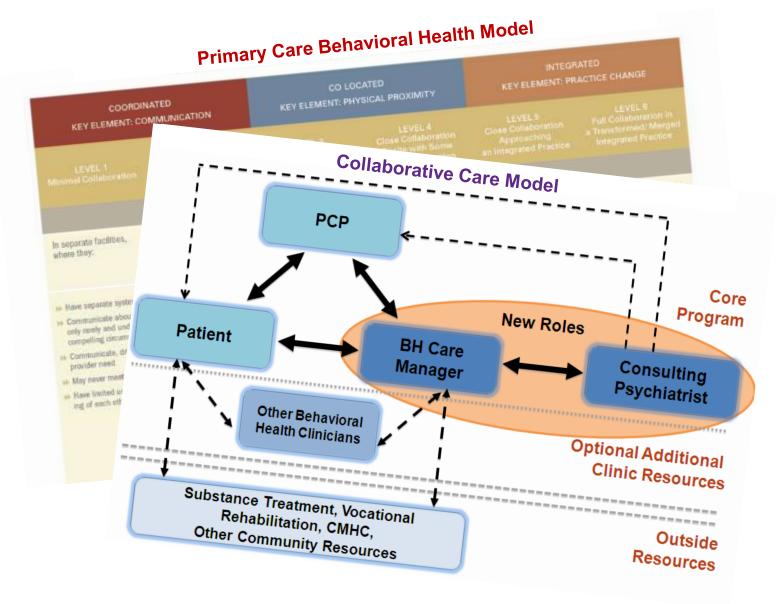
INTEGRATION

Organization has undergone system-wide transformation, merging practice concepts & culture, routinely screening & acting on findings, providers conduct real time, warm handoffs & regularly meet as a care team.

Where is Integrated Care Happening?

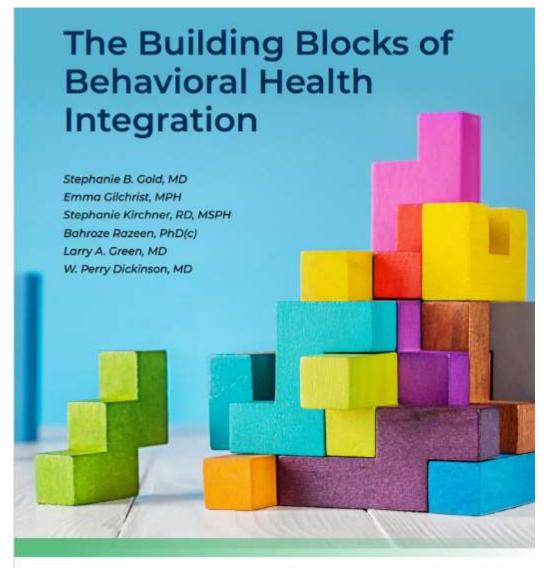


One way to think about integrated care is to consider the models, clinical pathways and perspectives that make up these efforts to bring together parts of the healthcare delivery system that traditionally work in silos.



The Framework Organizes Care Delivery Expectations into Five Components of Care:

- •Foundational care delivery expectations: Requirements for any practice integrating behavioral health.
- •Advanced coordination & care management: Practices develop shared expectations & exchange information with behavioral health providers, manage a registry of patients with target behavioral health conditions, & screen for social needs & link patients & families to services.
- •Integrated behavioral health professional: An integrated behavioral health professional (which could be a psychologist, licensed clinical social worker or other licensed professional) works as part of the primary care team.
- •Psychiatry: A psychiatrist supports complex diagnostic evaluation & medication management, providing consultation to the primary care provider. They may provide direct patient care either in person or via telehealth.
- •Advanced care of substance use disorders: The primary care provider prescribes medication for substance use disorders including tobacco use disorder, alcohol use disorder, & opioid use disorder. Counseling related to substance use disorders is provided in the practice or coordinated with resources outside of the practice.





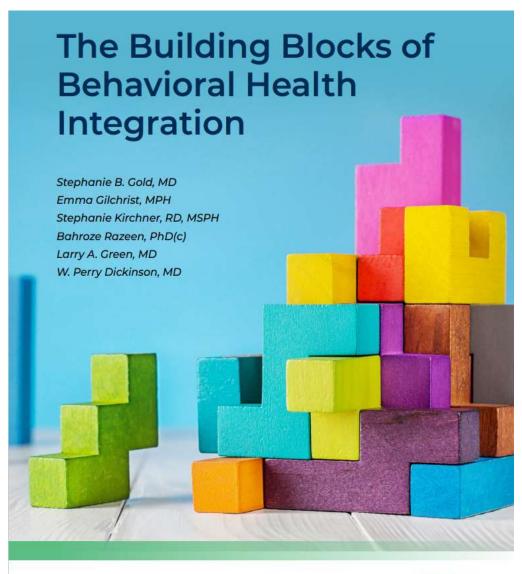




Getting the Work Off the Ground

- Establish internal behavioral health champion(s) & a committed team
- Determine the practice's mission & vision related to behavioral health
- Develop a sustainable business model, define roles, & create workflows.











Integrated Care- Getting Started

Sunflower Foundation Integrated Care Program Support

Planning Stage

- 12-month funding
- Assess the environment
- Visit integrated facilities
- Develop implementation plan
- Begin culture shift

Implementation Stage

- 24-month funding
- Hire additional staff
- Physical modifications
- Screeners and workflow
- Patient/Provider feedback
- Billing

Sustaining Stage

- 24-month funding
- Expand care team
- What's working/not?
- Patient/Provider feedback
- Financing
- Educate payers

\$12,000 ≈\$200,000

≈ \$150,000





Tackling America's Mental Health and Addiction Crisis Through Primary Care Integration

TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

March 2021









Kansas Integrated Care Learning Collaborative



- Provide financial support for a phased approach to integrated care implementation in rural health clinics
- Provide technical support for integrated care grantees moving through the phases of funding

Kansas Rural
Health Clinics



- Serve as the hub for integrated care learning among rural health clinics in Kansas
- Provide logistics support to the integrated care technical support team from the University of Colorado







Practice Innovation Program

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- Leverage past work in rural integrated care to provide technical support to rural health clinics in Kansas moving through the integrated care learning collaborative
- Connect Kansas work to national integrated care efforts related to best practices and innovative strategies for care delivery and reimbursement

