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DotHouse Health Awarded Nearly \$80k in Grants through the Health Resources and Services Administration

DotHouse Health was awarded nearly \$80,000 in Affordable Care Act grants as part of a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) project to recognize high performing health centers. DotHouse Health is dedicated to providing smarter care by acting on quality improvement strategies.

“These funds acknowledge the tremendous work our providers and staff do every day to promote good health in our community,” said explained Michelle Nadow, Interim CEO of DotHouse Health. “We appreciate HRSA’s investment in our ongoing mission of providing quality, accessible care that helps to reduce health risk disparities in Dorchester.”

DotHouse Health was awarded HRSA grant funding in the following categories: Electronic Health Record Reporting, Clinical Quality Improvement and Health Center Quality Leaders. The community health center received funding by demonstrating improvement in clinical quality measures between 2013 and 2014. Improvements were seen in weight screening and follow-up for adults and adolescents, and treatment of cholesterol. DotHouse Health was also recognized as a Health Center Quality Leader by achieving the best overall clinical outcomes among all health centers and demonstrating a dedication to quality in all aspects of clinical operations. DotHouse was recognized for outstanding clinical outcomes in access to prenatal care, colorectal cancer screening and several chronic disease measures, including diabetes control.

Health Center Quality Improvement Awards totaled \$63.3 million in Affordable Care Act funding and were distributed to 1,153 health centers in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 7 U.S. Territories to recognize health center achievements in providing high quality, comprehensive care. Health centers will use these funds to expand current quality improvement systems and infrastructure, and improve primary care service delivery in the communities they serve.

ABOUT DOTHOUSE HEALTH

DotHouse Health is a federally qualified health center located in the Fields Corner neighborhood of Dorchester. DotHouse Health has provided essential healthcare, social services and wellness opportunities to the community for over 40 years. At DotHouse Health we know that the health disparities in our community cannot be addressed through the treatment of individual, medically based issues alone. As such, we offer our over 23,000 patients extensive case management, financial and legal services as well as a number of community programs. By connecting our patients with comprehensive primary care, social services and in-house programs – all under one roof – we support the overall good health of our patients and build a stronger and healthier community.

Health Center Quality Leaders in Action



DotHouse Health Clinical Project Managers Laura Santel and Do Quyen Pham presenting on pre-visit planning and preventive care best practices at the annual Community Health Institute sponsored by the National Association of Community Health Centers on August 23-25 in Orlando, Florida. Our Project Managers won third place out of 95 contestants in the poster competition for best practice.