

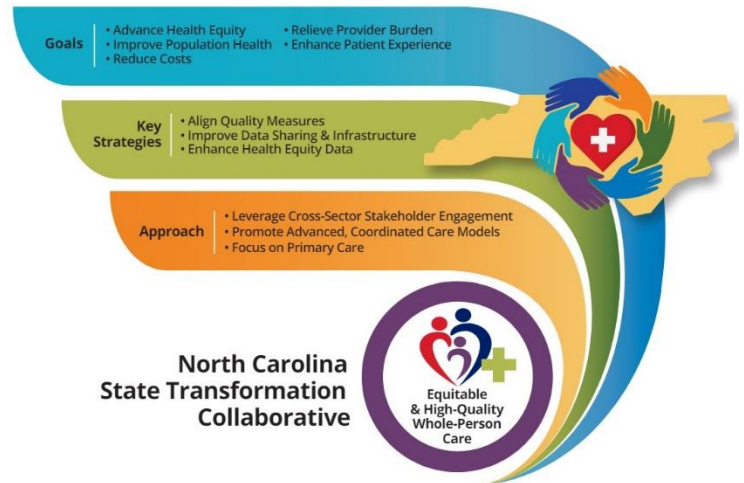


The North Carolina State Transformation Collaborative

Transforming the health care system requires collaboration on multiple levels, including patients, providers, payers, community-based organizations, and state and federal agencies. Launched in February 2023, the North Carolina State Transformation Collaborative (NC STC) brings these groups together in a collective effort to shift from paying for health care services through a fee-for-service model to investing in health with a value-based, person-centered approach, starting with primary care.

Organizations Involved

As one of four states chosen to participate in this initiative designed by the Health Care Payment Learning and Action Network (HCP-LAN), the NC STC lead partners are the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) Division of Health Benefits, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and the Duke-Margolis Institute for Health Policy (Duke-Margolis). This model relies on cross-sector collaboration and engagement with a large range of stakeholder types to make progress on shared goals, including:



Shared Goals

- Advance health equity
- Enhance patient experience
- Relieve provider burden
- Reduce costs
- Improve population health

Key Strategies

The NC STC has identified strategies to streamline health care transformation efforts through stakeholder convenings and learning calls, landscape analyses, and technical working groups. The Alignment Proposal for the NC STC, “A Pathway to Advance Whole-Person Care” documents these NC STC efforts to date and summarizes identified strategies to address shared challenges of whole-person health reform implementation without increasing the burden on the healthcare workforce.

- 1) Align Quality Measures** – The NC STC Health Care Transformation Workgroup supported streamlining the measurement process and consistently applying Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Technical Specifications to a small starter measure set to reduce performance measurement burden: Childhood Immunization Status, Glycemic Status Assessment for Patients with Diabetes, and Controlling High Blood Pressure.
- 2) Improve Data Sharing & Infrastructure** – The NC STC Data Sharing Workgroup identified key pain points for each of the three measures, proposing to standardize data-sharing formats and move toward national data interoperability standards.
- 3) Enhance Health Disparities Data** – The NC STC Health Disparities Data workgroup will identify guiding principles and establish foundational steps to measure and track disparities.

Next Steps:

- Convene the Health Disparities Data Workgroup
- Gather voluntary commitments to Alignment Proposal action areas
- Develop the Alignment Proposal implementation and evaluation plan

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