



## 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 high-quality and whole-person approach, starting with primary care.

### Organizations Involved

North Carolina is one of four states participating in the STC initiative, initially launched by the Health Care Payment Learning and Action Network (HCP-LAN) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). In North Carolina, the STC is financially supported by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) with Duke-Margolis serving as the neutral convener.



### Shared Goals

- Improve population health
- Enhance patient experience
- Relieve provider burden
- Reduce costs
- Address health disparities

### 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: Action to Advance Whole-Person Care in North Carolina](#) 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: 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 identified guiding principles and established foundational steps to measure and track disparities.

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