



Health Care Improvement Foundation's Health Equity Data Strategy Collaborative

Health Equity Data Strategy (HEDS) is a multi-year collaborative composed of Partnership for Patient Care (PPC) member organizations who are working towards the common goal of decreasing disparities in health outcomes in our communities across the southeast Pennsylvania region. The initial focus will be on the collection, stratification, and utilization of race, ethnicity, and language (REaL) patient data. Through the implementation of a “health equity data strategy,” organizations are better positioned to identify disparities and implement strategies for creating equitable care.

Program Activities



Virtual workshops and webinars convene participating organizations and their teams to exchange best practices, learn from local and national experts, and share opportunities for improvement.



Participating organizations have the opportunity to complete a baseline survey to assess REaL data collection, stratification, and usage in addition to workforce training, data accuracy and completeness, and organizational culture.



Participating organizations will have access to a collection of resources and tools that will help advance their development of a sustainable health equity data strategy.

Participants

Participants include 8 hospitals, health systems, rehabilitation facilities, and non-acute care provider organizations. Organizations have convened multidisciplinary teams that may include staff from the following areas:

- Clinical and non-clinical
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Health Services Research
- Data Analytics
- Patient Experience
- Quality and Patient Safety

Advisory Group

The Advisory Group is made up of 12 leaders and champions from 9 organizations with expertise in REaL data collection and evaluation, health care disparities, and health equity. Advisors have been instrumental in defining the scope of the collaborative, providing feedback and analysis on the HEDS Baseline Survey, and supporting program development.

Guiding Principles

- Multi-stakeholder collaboration
- Integration of the patient and family voice
- Team-based improvement
- Leverage local and national best practices for collecting socio-demographic data
- Grounding improvement in health care outcomes in measurement