# Community Health Worker Training & Certification

Patient-Centered CHW Training to Strengthen the Primary Care Workforce and Address Disparities

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Finding Patient-Centered Approaches for Management of Diabetes in Everyday Life

## **Preliminary Qualitative Results**

- Patients like having a health coach
  - 672 enrolled, MODEL Program retention = 90%
- Patients report improvements in:
  - Diabetes self-care
  - Average blood sugar (A1c)
  - Motivation
  - Sense of well-being
  - Satisfaction with provider and overall care



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# **Programs Launching November 1!**

### 1. Motivational Interviewing Certification Program

- Credit hours: 12-14 hours
- Description: This interactive, self-paced program has six modules and serves as a comprehensive introduction to the motivational interviewing approach

#### 2. Chronic Care & Lifestyle Management Certification Program

- Credit hours: 12-14 hours
- Description: This interactive, self-paced program serves as a guide for an overview of behavior change theory and strategies, best practices of self-management prescribed for the most common chronic conditions, and evidence-based lifestyle management practices

#### 3. Health Coach Certification Program

- Credit hours: 24-28 hours
- Description: Health Coach Certification granted to individuals who successfully complete/pass both MI Certification and Chronic Care & Lifestyle Management Certification Programs detailed above

# **Programs Launching January 1!**

## 1. Community Health Worker Certification Program

- Credit hours: 12-14 hours

 Description: This interactive, self-paced program serves as a guide for best practices of patient outreach and advocacy, care coordination and system navigation, cultural competency, and literacy, along with an overview of evidence-based chronic care and lifestyle management practices

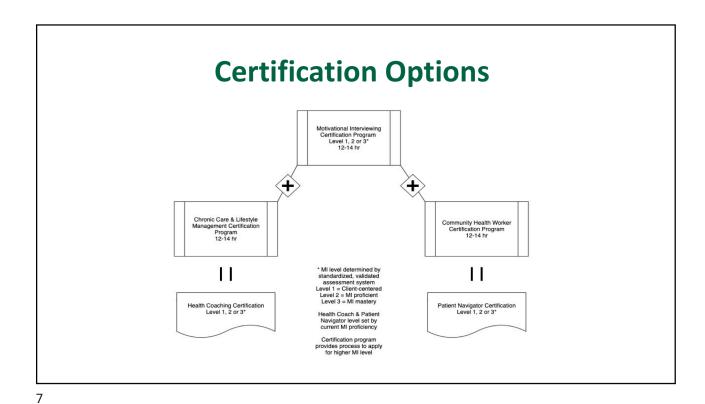
## 2. Patient Navigator Certification Program

- Credit hours: 24-28 hours

 Description: Patient Navigator Certification granted to individuals who successfully complete/pass both MI Certification and Community Health Worker Certification Programs detailed above

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**Target Audiences** Target Audience for MI Certification alone: Target Audience for CHW Target Audience for Chronic Certification alone: Current CHW Care Certification alone: · Family Service Specialist · Students as part of class Medical Assistants · Students as part of class · Individuals who demonstrate MI Dentistry Students · Individuals who demonstrate MI proficiency who want health Clinicians proficiency who want health navigator certificate Faculty coaching certificate · Individuals who want to be a · Current Health Coaches CHW at entry level · Students as part of class



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