



All In: Data for Community Health Affinity Program
Purpose & Learning Goals

Affinity Group Name: Accountable Communities for / of Health: A model for systems change

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Description of Group:

Accountable Communities for Health (ACHs) are multi-sector partnerships that bring together health care, public health, social services, residents and other local partners to address the unmet health and social needs of the individuals and communities they serve. The model is a fairly new collaborative model that emerged from the affordable care emphasis on prevention and population health. The ACH model is not yet being implemented in every state and while there are differences, similar essential elements across the sites are: 1) shared vision, 2) sustainability 3) community partnerships 4) governance 5) data sharing 6) backbone organization 7) leadership 8) focus area and select interventions and 8) continuous learning.

The model has key differentiators from other multisector collaboratives such as governance, where the backbone organization serves as the convenor and steward of the collective vision. A focus of the ACH model is on equitable systems change which requires participants to navigate complex challenges and diverse perspectives. The ACH Affinity Group will explore: 1) the ACH model and its elements and key differentiators, 2) how to ground the work in systems

change, and 3) frameworks, tools and practices to assist in supporting the work of a backbone organization.

This group is great for participants who fit this profile/ are working on the following projects:

- Members of multi sector collaboratives focused on improving community health
- Backbone staff supporting community health multi sector collaboratives
- Change makers that see a better vision for the future and believe in the power of collective action

This group is not great for participants that believe only in:

- Expert driven outcomes
- Invested in doing business as usual
- Not interested in a multi sector collaborative

Other information about this group's structure:

We'd like to keep the group to no more than 30 participants as we're following a sequential learning process/ approach, therefore a committed group that strives to attend and participate in all four sessions is preferred.

Learning Goals:

1. Increase understanding of the Accountable Community of/for Health model and gain deeper knowledge on some of the 8 core components of ACH (see description above).
2. Fast track learning and apply a systems change lens for transforming community health
3. Build relationships across a learning community and tap into the collective wisdom in the room through a participatory approach and *'learning by doing.'*

Meeting schedule:

We will hold a total of **4 meetings** with the following frequency: August 18, September 22, October 20, 2021, and November 17, 2021 at 3PM EST.

Resources:

1. [Curriculum](#)
2. [Art of Hosting](#)
3. All In: Data for Community Health website
 - a. <https://www.allindata.org/>
4. If you're new to the All In learning collaborative, the first step to join is to sign up for the online community (community.allindata.org) and create an individual member profile. [Read our FAQs for help getting started.](#)

5. All In 101 webinar introduction to All In: Data for Community Health, online learning collaborative
 - a. <https://vimeo.com/487432652>