



Indiana Medicaid Partnership with Indiana University Project ECHO

Hepatitis C Affinity Group
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Project ECHO Background

- University of New Mexico
 - Launched in 2003
 - Sanjeev Arora, MD (gastroenterology)
- Purpose: create access to high-quality specialty care by community providers
- Community providers:
 - learn from specialists
 - learn from each other
 - provide specialists with emerging best practices

Indiana's Hepatitis C Project ECHO



- Indiana University
- Launched in January, 2018
- Concurrent launch with other ECHO programs such as opioid use disorder

Partnership with Indiana Medicaid



- Prior authorization requires “prescriptions to be written by or in consultation with a infectious disease or gastroenterology specialist
 - Informally included ECHO participants
 - December 2017, formalized by adding PA language “including hepatitis C ECHO Program participants”

Partnership with Indiana Medicaid



- Provide Medicaid information during ECHO program sessions
- Provide a point of contact for participants
- Provide quarterly participant outcomes data
 - Based on Affinity Group Outcomes report
 - Utilized to support continued grant funding request

Partnership with Indiana Medicaid



- ↑ program participation
- ↑ screening
- ↑ rate of PA approvals

Hepatitis C Project ECHO website



- <https://fsph.iupui.edu/research-centers/centers/public-health-practice/echo-project.html>