



Leading health system improvement

The Washington Health Alliance brings together those who give, get and pay for healthcare to create a high quality, affordable system for the people of Washington state

Alliance sets focus on healthcare equity in 2023

The health of all Washingtonians has been a driving force behind the Washington Health Alliance since we expanded beyond the Puget Sound region in 2013.

Now, we plan to increase our efforts on driving equity in health care across our state. There cannot be quality in health care without first addressing equity.

We've long known that barriers exist in our communities directly impacting the quality of the care we deliver in Washington. However, what if we could target those most affected and find solutions that ultimately move the market toward a common goal?

Read more on the Alliance's efforts to address equity.



At State of Reform conference, Alliance executive director challenges status quo

When asked for bold steps in 2023 during State of Reform's Washington Health

Policy conference, Alliance Executive Director Dr. Drew Oliveira said it comes down to pushing outside the status quo.

“We are in Seattle where everyone tries to play nice – play nice in the sandbox, be friendly. everyone needs to be a little bit less of that. we need to be a little more intentional. we need to be ... a bit bolder,” Oliveria said. “The employer community needs to start taking action, rather than being passive. If they demand more for what they are paying for in both quality and affordability, then we will see the market move.”

Read more about the State of Reform keynote.



Alliance welcomes seven new members

In the past five weeks, the Alliance has welcomed seven new members to the organization. The companies bring a variety of unique experiences and perspectives to our ongoing efforts to improve the cost and quality of healthcare in Washington.

The new members include Behavioral Health Systems, Goodpath, Guardant Health, Johnson & Johnson, Nox Health, and ViiV Healthcare.

Read more about our newest members.

Alliance seeks translation help for patient-facing handouts



The Alliance's Low Back Pain Implementation Collaborative is in need of translation help with some impactful patient-facing handouts. The materials, crafted with the input of more than 30 stakeholders, serve as an important guide to addressing acute low back pain.

The Collaborative intends to translate the handout into several of the most spoken languages in the area. Currently, the Collaborative needs assistance with Vietnamese and Somali translations.

If you or your organization is interested in helping the Collaborative, please contact Teresa Battels, Strategic Project Coordinator, at tbattels@wahealthalliance.org.

Read more about the Low Back Pain Implementation Collaborative.

Our members and community supporters can be the best ambassadors for our work. If you know someone who would like to learn more about membership in the Alliance, contact Executive Director Drew Oliveira at doliveira@wahealthalliance.org.



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