

# HEALTHCARE AND HOUSING (H<sup>2</sup>) SYSTEMS INTEGRATION INITIATIVE UTAH

## Action Plan Overview

### *UTAH'S H<sup>2</sup> ACTION PLAN<sup>1</sup>*

**Utah H<sup>2</sup> Plan Vision:** To improve health and housing stability for Utah's neediest residents through integration of affordable housing with a full array of health and behavioral health care services, and system-level efforts to reduce sub- population disparities in access, utilization and outcomes.

**Utah H<sup>2</sup> Target Population:** People experiencing chronic homelessness and/or who are living with HIV/AIDS.

**Goals and Strategies:** Utah has identified five goals, each of which focuses on a key area of activity essential to achieving their vision.

#### Improve Access To Health And Behavioral Health Care To Support Better Health, Recovery, And Housing Retention

- Facilitate full enrollment in Medicaid and other health coverage by eligible members of the target population, as well as ongoing maintenance of benefits.
- Expand key health and behavioral health services to better meet needs.

#### Facilitate Access To Affordable Housing Linked With Services That Promote Residential Stability

- Increase the supply of affordable housing, including permanent supportive housing.
- Enhance access to existing affordable housing by the target population.
- Facilitate partnerships and collaboration with health providers so that health and behavioral health care is linked with housing.

#### Integrate And Coordinate Health And Housing Efforts To Improve Quality Of Care, Outcomes And Cost-Effectiveness

- Establish a statewide Utah H<sup>2</sup> Leadership Team to oversee and coordinate plan implementation.
- Integrate and coordinate services for the target population using a team approach and co-location strategies.
- Institute collaborative, value-based approach to health care in order to incentivize collaboration with housing providers and improve outcomes.

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<sup>1</sup> The Utah H<sup>2</sup> Action Plan Draft is currently being finalized by the Leadership Team, and therefore the Goals and Strategies presented here are subject to change.

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### Develop Data-Driven Decision-Making And Service Interventions Based On An Accurate, Timely And Comprehensive Data-Sharing System

- Create cross-system integrated data capacity to facilitate better understanding of system level operation, effectiveness and efficiency, and to inform decision-making.
- Analyze crossover data between systems to provide a comprehensive overview of need, service utilization and outcomes, and to prioritize clients.
- Identify resources needed to support capacity for ongoing data collection and analysis.

### Secure Stable Funding For Services And Treatment That Support Housing Access And Retention

- Facilitate more efficient use of Medicaid resources for services and treatment for the target population, including maximizing use of Medicaid to finance services that support stable housing.
- Identify additional sources of stable funding for non-Medicaid-covered costs.