

What are the benefits for physicians?

- Resources and expertise to assist in increasing practice effectiveness and efficiency
- An opportunity to work collaboratively with public health, mental health, and community organizations to improve health in your community

What do physicians need to do as part of the CHIO?

- Agree to either serve on the CHIO Board of Directors (one to four hours per month) or on its Primary Care Advisory Committee (15 to 30 minutes per month)
- Become knowledgeable about and support your County Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

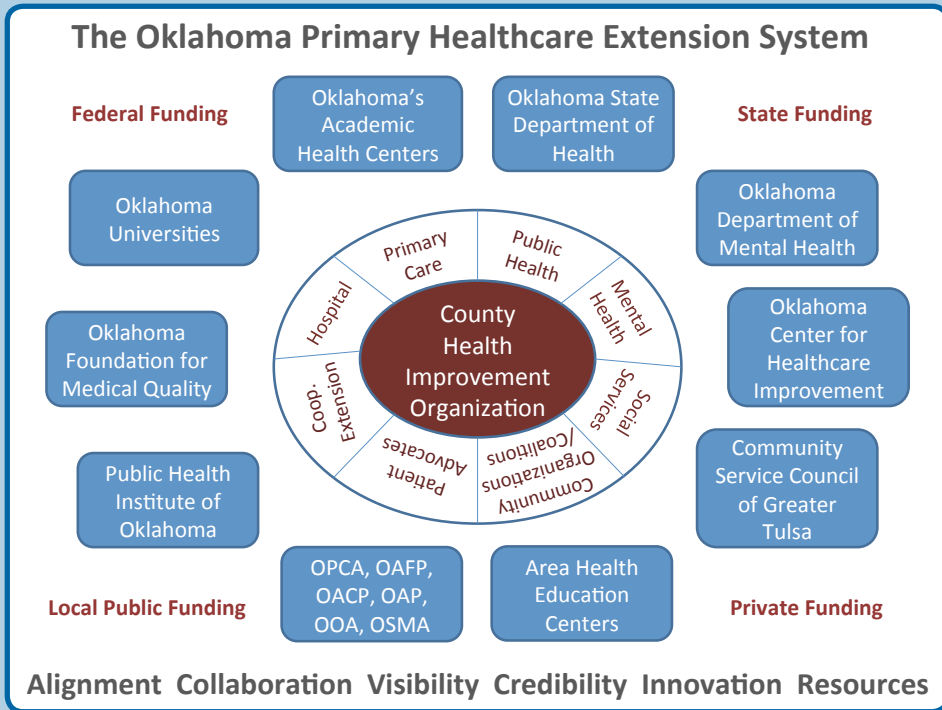
The CHIO will strive to avoid disrupting your practice and office flow.



CHIO Partner Information

What is a County Health Improvement Organization (CHIO)?

- An independent non-profit organization, or an affiliate, certified by Public Health Institute of Oklahoma (PHIO) www.publichealthok.org/ophes/phio
- Strives to strengthen primary healthcare and community health
- Serves one to four adjoining counties
- Brings multiple partners to the table and fosters alignment of resources and activities
- Includes primary care, public health, mental health, social services, hospital, Turning Point Coalition, and other subgroups
- Positively impacts the county's health indicators through Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP) and the County Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)



What are the community benefits of a CHIO?

- Opportunities to have a larger impact on community health through partnerships with healthcare providers and primary care practitioners
- Increased access to available funding
- County-based initiatives and teamwork between healthcare and other community entities.
- Enhanced ability to attract and retain healthcare providers within the community
- Local learning opportunities on topics chosen by you and your CHIO
- Performance monitoring and feedback assistance on CHIO projects
- Access to experts and information on a variety of healthcare topics regarding best practices
- Ability to provide greater emphasis on and more consistent delivery system for preventive services
- Fewer meetings and better results

What do I need to do to become involved in the CHIO?

- A passion to be a champion for community health among your colleagues
- Possess the desire to share your skills and resources to address community health issues
- Willingness to serve approximately one to four hours per month for meetings and correspondence

