



The past twelve months have been an exciting and busy time for **Oklahoma County Health Improvement Organizations (CHIOs)**! Fourteen CHIOs have been **Recertified** since March 2016, which means they have met or exceeded the certification guidelines during the past **three years** and will continue to improve the health of their communities in the years to come. One of these guidelines requires a board of directors with **sector representation** from Primary Care, Public Health, Mental Health, Social Services, Hospital, Coalition and Community. Additionally, these CHIOs have become established **non-profit organizations** or have remained affiliated with a non-profit partner. Many of these CHIO board members have received training in **MAPP** (Mobilizing Action through Planning and Partnerships) and have played an active role in the endorsement and adoption of their county's **Community Health Improvement Plan**.

Congratulations to our 2016 and First Quarter 2017 Recertified CHIOs:

- Washington County Wellness Initiative
- Delaware County Community Partnership
- Health in the Valley Coalition
- Choctaw County Community Coalition Inc.
- McCurtain County Coalition for Change
- Kingfisher Community Collaborative, Inc.
- Logan County Partnership
- Pathways to a Healthy Stephens County
- Creek County Community Partnership
- Bryan County Turning Point Coalition
- Pottawatomie Alliance Toward Community Health (P.A.T.C.H)
- Cherokee County Health Services Council
- Atoka/Coal Partnership for Change Coalition
- Pushmataha County Coalition



CHIO Collaborate

[Click here](#) to submit your questions, comments and announcements to be shared in next week's news!

Congratulations to two new CHIOs that achieved Certification in 2016:

- Payne County Live Well Coalition
- Southwest Oklahoma CHIO a partnership of JCCHAT

So, what can you expect as a new or recently recertified CHIO? PHIO has a number of resources available to you, including the [2/8/17 PHIO Weekly Update](#) which answered a few of the most commonly asked CHIO questions, a [recommendation list for CHIO funding](#) and a [brochure for partner information](#). Whether an existing coalition or a committee within a coalition, as a certified CHIO you are eligible for assistance from multiple partners, including board development from [Integrated Concepts/P&S Legal Services](#) and grant writing from the [Community Service Council](#). CHIO Certification is valid for 3 years from your most recent certification date however, each December, PHIO will collect updated information in the form of a Year-End Report. If you have not yet filled out your **2016 Year-End report**, please do so at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2016CHIO>. It is a great opportunity to let PHIO know of any additional resources you would like to see developed.

For more information about becoming a certified CHIO, [click here](#).



All CHIO H2O funds requests (Proposal and Invoice) for your county's healthy hearts initiative **need to be turned in by May 15th**. Access the proposal form at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CHIO-H2O>.

CHIO News & Community Events



- Save the date for the **2017 Annual CHIO Meeting**, August 31 at 1 pm, Marriott Conference Center at NCED
- PATCH coalition is working to bring families together for an activity which promotes wellness and community with the **PATCH Health Week** Glow Run 5K & 1 Mile Walk on Friday, May 26th at 6 pm in Shawnee. https://www.facebook.com/PottawatomieAllianceTowardCommunityHealth/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf
- **RAMOK** is coming to McCurtain County on August 5th & 6th. Free dental, vision and limited medical care will be available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Idabel High School Campus. To volunteer, sign up at www.ramusa.org/volunteer
- Volunteers are being sought for the **Oklahoma Medical Reserve Corps**, Oklahoma's medical and public health volunteer program directed by the Oklahoma State Department of Health. For more information visit www.okmrc.org.
- An **Oklahoma Turning Point Council** meeting, open to the public, will be held on June 5th at 2 pm at Pittsburgh County Health Department in McAlester.
- Check out the post by **Kingfisher Community Collaborative, Inc.** and **Kingfisher County Healthy Living Coalition** on "[Fourth Friday in the Park](#)" June 23rd.

