

## **Current Quality Management Programs/Projects (2011)**

*Some of these projects are specific to a line of business but the goal is to have each project cross all lines of business as appropriate. Listings indicate projects currently reported to CMS & DMAP.*

### **Quality Improvement Projects (QIP) - Samaritan Advantage Health Plan (SAHP)**

- **Advanced Care Planning – Advance Directive QIP**  
The goal of the project is an educational effort to increase our members' awareness of the importance of having an Advance Directive in place and the importance of providers discussing this issue with their patients.
- **Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) QIP**  
The goal of this project is an educational effort to increase the use of spirometry testing in the assessment and diagnosis of COPD.
- **Collaborative Potentially Inappropriate Medications in the Elderly QIP**  
The goal of the project is a state-wide educational effort to decrease the possible complications from the inappropriate use of skeletal muscle relaxant drugs in the elderly.
- **Osteoporosis Screening QIP**  
The goal of the project is to increase the screening rates for osteoporosis in older women.

### **Other Quality Projects for SAHP**

- **Body Mass Index (BMI) Quality Project**  
The goal of the project is to increase the number of BMI's documented in the PCP record. This includes education of both the providers and members of the importance of obtaining a BMI as one component to determine overall health.
- **Chronic Care Improvement Program (CCIP)**  
The purpose of this project is to utilize interdisciplinary clinical teams, prevention guidelines, evidence-based practice guidelines, self-management goal setting, case management, continuous analysis of relevant data and cost-effective technology to improve health outcomes of members with specific diseases (Asthma, Diabetes, CAD, CHF and COPD).

### **Performance Improvement Projects (PIP) - InterCommunity Health Network (IHN)**

- **Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) PIP**  
The goal of this project is an educational effort to increase the use of spirometry testing in the assessment and diagnosis of COPD.
- **Collaborative Mental Health/Physical Health PIP**  
The goal of the project is to improve the medical outcomes in patients who have both diabetes and a serious mental illness.

### **Other Quality Projects for IHN**

- **Childhood Immunization Status Project**  
The goals of the project are to improve immunization rates for children under age 2 and increase the number of immunizations reported to Immunization ALERT (the state immunizations registry).
- **Early Childhood Cavities Prevention Project (ECCP)**  
The goal of the project is to prevent childhood cavities by early oral assessment, education, treatment and referral of pregnant women and children 0-24 months.
- **Time from Initial Enrollment to First Service Performance Measures (PM)**  
The goal of this project is to determine the time from initial enrollment to first service; by type of service, by eligibility type, by race, for adults by age group and for children by age groups.
- **Tobacco Cessation Project**  
The goal of the project is to increase the number of patients assisted to quit tobacco and the education to members about how tobacco affects the body and various diseases.

### **Quality Projects for Samaritan Healthy KidsConnect**

- **Disease Management (DM) Program**  
The purpose of this project is to utilize interdisciplinary clinical teams, prevention guidelines, evidence-based practice guidelines, self-management goal setting, case management, continuous analysis of relevant data & cost-effective technology to improve health outcomes of members with specific diseases (Asthma and Diabetes).