



Southeast Nebraska Behavioral Health Information Network, Inc.

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Vision

To promote quality care through efficient, secure, and confidential handling of data and patient information in order to provide seamless patient care and access from multiple locations.



Focus & Service Area

SNBHIN's primary focus is the development and implementation of a behavioral health integrated information and data management system. The initial service area includes Southeast Nebraska with the potential to expand the system statewide.



Board of Directors

- Diversity of provider representation including:
 - Blue Valley Mental Health Center
 - BryanLGH Medical Center
 - Community Mental Health Center
 - Heartland Health Alliance Hospital Network
 - Lancaster County Medical Society
 - Southeast Rural Physicians Alliance
 - Region V Systems
 - Substance Abuse Treatment Centers
 - Behavioral Health Consumers



Service Delivery Environment

As a primarily rural region, Southeast Nebraska experiences a unique challenge, when addressing behavioral health needs.

- Approximately 40 percent of the population is located throughout 15 rural counties, with the remaining 60 percent residing in Lancaster County.



Service Delivery Environment

- Lancaster County has many resources that do not exist in the surrounding rural counties, such as multiple behavioral health providers, service options, transit transportation, diverse funding sources, and other support necessary when meeting the needs of individuals seeking behavioral health services.



Assuring Access to Care

- Taking on the challenge of providing behavioral health services in Southeast Nebraska requires a variety of innovative approaches to ensure that both urban and rural residents have access.
- Integrated information systems between rural and urban providers in the network will help streamline, proactively manage and help make services more available.



AHRQ Planning Grant

- Conducted a comprehensive needs assessment
- Established a baseline of technology capabilities
- Identified needs for system development
- Developed a strategic implementation plan
- Recommended creation of SNBHIN, a Regional Health Information Organization (RHIO)



Goals

- ❑ Create a standardized system for patient placements that can be effectively and efficiently referred between facilities
- ❑ Create an electronic health environment for patient information and processes that allow for real-time viewing of patient information, facility tracking, reporting on clinical indicators, performance indicators, and quality assurance activities
- ❑ Establish a behavioral health information technology consortium with decision-making capabilities regarding problem identification, intervention, implementation, and evaluation of behavioral health information services in Southeast Nebraska



Leadership Activities

- Board Committees
 - Executive
 - Finance & Audit
 - Grants & Legislation
 - Technology & Standards
 - Ad Hoc as needed



Management

- Contract Services
 - Project Coordination
 - Health Partners Initiative
 - Fiscal Management
 - BryanLGH Foundation
 - Fund Development
 - Independent Contractor



Fund Development for Implementation

- Overall Strategy – Diverse Mix of Sources
 - Federal, State and Local Grants
 - Provider Investments
 - BH Infrastructure Funding
 - Gifts In-Kind
 - User Fees