



**INHALE PCP Participation Requirements**  
**General Participation Expectations (effective June 1, 2023)**  
**PCP VBR Participation Requirements (effective September 1, 2023)**

<b>General INHALE practitioner and practice participation expectations (06/01/2023 – 05/31/2024)</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>High Level Description</b>	<b>Detailed Description</b>
Administrative	Identify practice level contacts for communicating with Physician Organization.	<p>Identify the following contacts at each participating practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice Liaison (Does not need to have a clinical background.)</li> <li>• Practice Clinical Champion (Must have clinical background, Physician, Nurse, Respiratory Therapist, PA, etc.)</li> </ul> <p>These individuals will be responsible for maintaining communication with the PO and helping to disseminate INHALE CQI initiatives to the practice. The Clinical Champion and the Practice Liaison may be the same person.</p>
Administrative	Communicate with the Physician Organization.	Respond to inquiries and requests from the Physician Organization partner regarding participation in the collaborative.
Data	Share required data elements with MiHIN.	Share required data elements for participation in INHALE with the Michigan Health Information Network (MiHIN) and other participants in the care and care improvement process in accordance with established HIPAA and other regulatory data sharing standards
Data	Provide missing data or submit data corrections, as necessary.	Although it is anticipated that most data will be submitted automatically/electronically via medical claims, the Coordinating Center may need practice unit assistance to provide missing or corrected data elements, and validate data available in the dashboard
Data	Allow data to be used in publications.	Allow data and information to be used in peer-reviewed publications to further advance QI efforts.
Quality	Provide feedback on INHALE’s quality improvement initiatives.	<p>Provide feedback to the Coordinating Center and assist with educating others about the following INHALE quality initiatives and the development of quality improvement plans for incorporating these principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve accuracy in diagnosing and managing Asthma and COPD with Spirometry</li> <li>• Increase patient education on appropriate inhaler use and technique.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce of short-acting beta-agonists (SABA) prescriptions in patients with asthma via education on overuse and adherence to maintenance therapies.</li> <li>• Decrease oral corticosteroid (OCS) reliance via education on overuse.</li> <li>• Increase utilization of pulmonary rehabilitation after COPD hospitalization</li> </ul>
Quality	Provide feedback and share best practices on Asthma and COPD quality improvement.	Provide feedback and ideas for innovations in asthma and COPD quality. Share best practices successfully implemented at respective site with the collaborative through presenting at meetings when requested by Physician Organization or hospital partner.
Engagement	Participate in INHALEarning Modules and CME opportunities.	Participate in CME and non-CME trainings on various topics related to asthma and COPD care hosted by the Coordinating Center on the INHALEarning Platform.  Current Required Modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inhaled Medications</li> </ul>
Engagement	Attend INHALE meetings.	The practice Clinical Champion will attend INHALE meetings for ongoing education and training with the expectation of sharing the information with their respective practice members and facilitating its implementation in their practice. The following are required meetings for the practice Clinical Champion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INHALE Regional Meeting- This in-person meeting will take place in the spring and fall each year.</li> <li>• INHALE Speaker Series- The Coordinating Center will host six speakers during the calendar year; practice Clinical Champions are expected to attend one session.</li> </ul>
Engagement	Complete one INHALE engagement activity. (Optional)	Participating practices will choose one of the following activities to complete during the calendar year: (Additional details on each activity are provided below.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a Patient Case Summary</li> <li>• Provide feedback with Coordinating Center staff on Resource Library Tools and/or Documents available on the INHALE website.</li> <li>• Describe a Best Practice or initiative related to asthma or COPD at a practice.</li> <li>• Share Patient Experience Feedback</li> </ul> <p>Additional activities will continue to be developed. Novel suggestions from practices or POs for INHALE engagement are also encouraged.</p>
Engagement	Complete Practice Assessment Survey.	All practices will complete a detailed survey related to their current resources and capabilities for conducting asthma and COPD quality improvement.

**Adult and Pediatric Primary Care Physicians INHALE PCP VBR Requirements**

**INHALE PCP practitioners who meet the VBR participation requirements between September 1, 2023, through May 31, 2024 will be eligible to receive 105% VBR award period 09/01/2024 – 08/31/2025.**

**To receive VBR, the practice score must meet a threshold of 8 points to be considered eligible for INHALE VBR.**

**Reminder: PCMH designation is a requirement of any type of PCP VBR**

<b>INHALE VBR participation requirements *</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Points</b>
Submit the name of Clinical Champion and Practice Liaison	Practice	Not completed	0
		Completed	2
Practice Clinical Champion or designee attendance at the Fall and Spring INHALE regional meetings	Practice Clinical Champion	Did not attend	0
		Attended 1 meeting	2
		Attended 2 meetings	4
All participating adult/peds PCPs in each practice attend one of four planned INHALE speaker sessions, live or on demand in 2024	All Participants	Less than 50% Attendance	0
		50% to 80% Attendance	1
		Over 80% Attendance	2
Practice Clinical Champion completes Inhaled Medication learning module on the INHALEarning Platform	Practice Clinical Champion	Not completed	0
		Completed	2
<b>Bonus Points</b>			
Complete one INHALE Engagement Activity (optional): - Patient Case Summary, Resource Library Feedback, Best Practice Form, Practice Assessment Survey	Practice	Not completed	0
		Completed	2
	<b>Practice Score</b>		
	Total Points Earned		
	Total Points Possible		12
	VBR earned (Yes/No)		

\*Updated May 2, 2024 to remove requirement for Practice Assessment Survey (0 or 2 pts)—added to possible bonus points.

## Practice Level Role Descriptions

- **Practice Liaison:** The Practice Liaison will be responsible for the operations of the program. This would involve making sure any required documents are reviewed and signed as well as having general oversight over the practice's participation. They would be responsible for forming the team at their practice and serve as the primary contact for the Physician Organization and Coordinating Center. The administrative lead would be responsible ensuring that all participation requirements are met and for disseminating information (such as upcoming meetings, important dates, etc.) from the Physician Organization and Coordinating Center.
- **Practice Clinical Champion:** The Clinical Champion will be responsible for disseminating performance/QI/educational information to relevant members of the practice and helping to advance best practices. The Clinical Champion would attend regional meetings so that they can take what they've learned at those and educate their practice. The Clinical Champion would also participate in training programs required by the Physician Organization and Coordinating Center. This role does not need to be filled by a physician but does need to be a licensed medical care provider (RN, RT, etc.).

**The Practice Liaison and Clinical Champion may be the same person. A Practice Liaison/Clinical Champion should be designated for each practice unless otherwise approved by the Physician Organization and Coordinating Center.**

## INHALE Engagement Activities

- **Case Summary:** Submit a patient case summary on a specific patient with asthma or COPD which describes challenges, decision making, outcomes, resources used, to provide high quality asthma or COPD. A short form will be provided to submit a patient case; a case summary should take 15-20 minutes to complete. Case summaries should be germane to INAHLE initiatives.
- **Resource Library/Document Feedback:** Provide written feedback or meet directly with Coordinating Center staff on current resources available on the website, including the resource library, documents, or educational modules.
- **Best Practice Documentation:** Submit a brief description of initiative undertaken at a practice to improve asthma or COPD care. A short form will be provided to document the details of the practice setting and initiative undertaken.
- **Patient Experience Feedback:** Connect the Coordinating Center with a patient with Asthma or COPD that is willing to share their experience with this disease and/or provide feedback on patient-facing INHALE resources, initiatives, and long-term INHALE goals.

## General Expectations

- Respond to requests from the Coordinating Center and your Physician Organization regarding INHALE related work in a timely manner (3 business days or as specified).
- If practice is sending data to MiHIN, ensure data fields are correctly populated. If practice is not sending data to MiHIN, make a reasonable effort to submit data.