

Newsletter | Volume 4, Issue 1



January 2020 Highlights

Current Focus

- 1 Begin ACO quality reporting extractions
- 2 Chapter agreement on Priority Health business plan
- 3 Complete Chapter strategic action plans

Top Decisions Made

- 1 Affirmant/HAP/Medicare Advantage contract is signed.
- 2 2020 Incremental Budget approved by the Affirmant Board of Managers.
- 3 The Affirmant Board of Managers approved the FCC recommendation for IT/BI Clinical Analyst and Maintenance Analyst positions, as well a CTC Clinical Transformation Consultant position.

Construction update

We are expanding

Affirmant headquarters is expanding. We have outgrown our current location and now it's time to create a space that will fit our growing team. Our address will remain the same but we will be expanding to the office space directly next door of our current location. Meetings will occur as scheduled but please know that you may hear noise in the background.



Affirmant CEO re-elected to Epic's Pop Health Steering Board



Bill Mayer, MD, MPH, President and CEO of Affirmant Health Partners, has been elected for a second term as a member of Epic's Population Health Steering Board and as a member of its Clinical Transformation Subcommittee. As a member of the Board, Dr. Mayer will have influence and input in Epic's development focus for the year.

Clinical Transformation

Post-Acute - naviHealth informational video

In late December 2019, Affirmant posted a webinar in partnership with Priority Health for post-acute care management in skilled nursing facilities. To learn more about Priority Health's partnership with naviHealth and how they have utilized this tool since January 2014, click the link below.

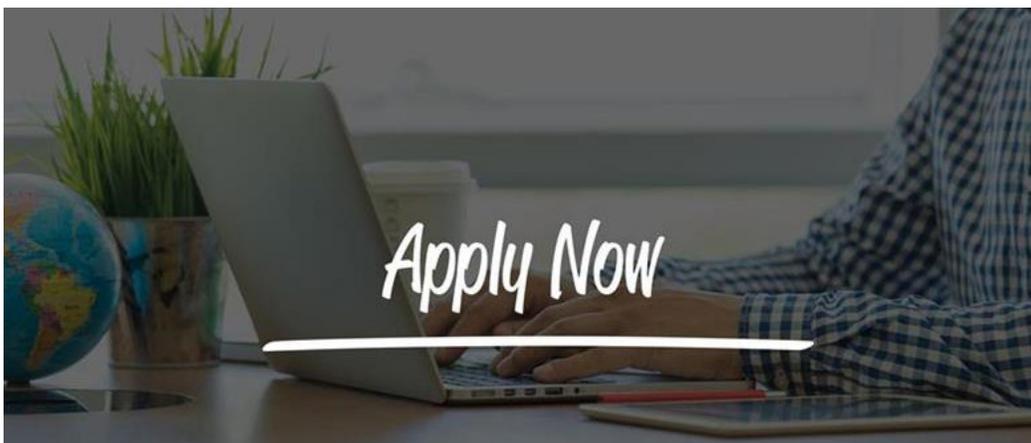


[Priority Health PAC - naviHealth webinar](#)

Data Analytics

Affirmant is hiring!

Do you know someone who may be perfect for this role?



We are looking for a Clinical Analyst for the Information Technology Business Intelligence team. This role is posted on Bronson's Careers site. If you know someone who may be interested in this opportunity, please share our job posting.

[Bronson Workday | Clinical Analyst opportunity with Affirmant Health Partners](#)

Leadership Retreat 2020 | May 21 | East Lansing, MI

Registration opens February 3, 2020 | Check out our NEW registration site!

Be on the lookout for a registration email invitation on February 3! New this year is a registration landing page on our website. Registration will open February 3 and will close April 3.

[Registration page - Opens February 3](#)

Recognize outstanding work



With the annual leadership rewards presented at the Leadership Retreat, we want to recognize team members who demonstrate our core values and bring us closer to our vision. Recipients will be narrowed down to five, one for each of our core values. 2019 was another big year for Affirmant and our member Chapters; please celebrate a teammate today!

Keynote Speaker Announced!

We are very pleased to announce Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha as the keynote speaker at the 2020 Leadership Retreat.



Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha is the crusading pediatrician who first researched and revealed the lead in the blood of Flint, Michigan's children. Named one of *Time* magazine's "100 Most Influential People in the World," she continues to work to mitigate the impact of the water crisis on Flint's children. In her powerful book, *What the Eyes Don't See*, and her personal and inspiring speeches, she motivates audiences to speak out against injustice.

[Read more about Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha](#)

Farewell and Happy Retirement, Frank Sardone!



Frank Sardone, former president and CEO of Bronson Healthcare is now entering retirement. We would like to wish Frank all the best in retirement. Thank you for your contributions as a founding member of Affirmant Health Partners.

Welcome Bill Manns, Bronson Healthcare's New President and CEO



Bronson announced the selection of Bill Manns as the new president and CEO, on January 27. The Affirmant Health Partners team welcomes him to Kalamazoo. Bill Manns was most recently president of St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor. His first day at Bronson will be March 30. To learn more about Bill Manns, click the link below.

[MLive Article | Bronson selects president of Ann Arbor hospital as new CEO in Kalamazoo](#)

Training Opportunity in Kalamazoo on February 7, 2020

The ASAM Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder Course
FREE DATA WAIVER TRAINING
 2747 South 11th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49003

FEBRUARY 7TH, 2020 8AM-5PM

DESCRIPTION

The ASAM Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder Course covers all evidence-based practices and medications for treating patients with opioid use disorder.

Course Format: 8 hours live

This training satisfies eight hours of education requirements for providers to qualify for a DEA DATA2000 waiver. Upon completion of this course, physicians qualify for the waiver to prescribe buprenorphine in an office-based setting. NPs and PAs can qualify after completing an additional 16 hours provided by ASAM, the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, and the American Academy of PAs.

PAYMENTS FOR ATTENDANCE

The first 15 Providers attending the full 8-hours will be paid for the day as follows:

Physicians (MD, DO) \$500
 Advanced practice providers (NP, PA) \$250

(Available attendance payments are on first-come-first serve basis)

Questions about incentive:
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REGISTRATION AND CONTACT

<https://elearning.asam.org/p/MICCS1272020>

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ASAM is an approved provider by CSAT/SAMHSA of DATA 2000 training.

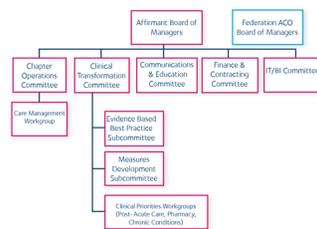
ACCME ACCREDITATION STATEMENT: The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

AMA CREDIT DESIGNATION STATEMENT: The American Society of Addiction Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 8 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The American Society of Addition Medication (ASAM) is offering a free training on the “Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder.” Learn more:

[ASAM training registration and contact information](#)

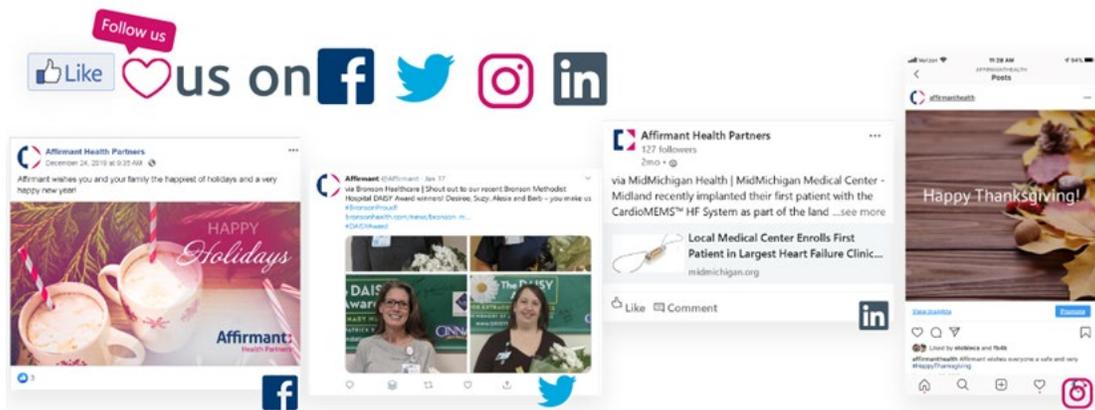
Committee Structure and Updates



Our Organization is physician-led and professionally managed. The Board of Managers consists of two representatives from each member system and a few advisors.

[Read More: Committee Structure and Updates](#)

Connect with us on Social Media



Affirmant is on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) to connect with current and potential stakeholders. This is also a great way for us to highlight the important work our member systems are doing as well. If you are active on any of these platforms, please find us and comment or tweet at us @Affirmant.



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Thank you for being a valued member of Affirmant!