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Grants Awarded to Business Coalitions for Innovative Practices in Healthcare Payment Reform

February 6, 2017, San Francisco (CA) – The Purchaser Value Network, an initiative of the Pacific Business Group on Health, has awarded initial matching grants up to \$50,000 to non-profit regional business coalitions implementing innovative practices in value-based purchasing and healthcare payment reform.¹

- [Colorado Business Group on Health](#) was awarded \$50,000, to promote advanced primary care by integrating the [Comprehensive Primary Care Plus \(CPC+\)](#) incentives, a national advanced primary care medical home model to strengthen primary care through regionally-based multi-payer payment reform and care delivery transformation. Aligning the commercial and governmental purchasers in this market will help increase quality improvement, according to physician practices across the state.
- [Florida Health Care Coalition](#) received \$50,000, to finish developing and promoting a risk-stratified bundled payment for cardiac care, a project started under a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation grant. This initiative aligns commercial and governmental cardiac purchasing strategies across the Florida market.
- [Health Care 21 Business Coalition](#) was awarded \$37,500, and will partner with the [Memphis Business Group on Health](#), to explore models of payment reform with two employers to align with current state and national efforts in 2018.
- [Northeast Business Group on Health](#) received \$50,000 to convene employers, health plans and a hospital system to develop a multi-stakeholder pilot intervention to reduce C-sections in the state. Intervention methodologies will include a bundled payment for hospital-based maternity care or a blended case rate for vaginal and C-section deliveries.

Additional grants will be awarded throughout the year to further support initiatives in areas such as maternity care payment redesign, accountable care organizations, prescription drug value-based purchasing initiatives, and redesigning complex care management to reduce emergency department usage.

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ABOUT THE PURCHASER VALUE NETWORK

The Purchaser Value Network, an initiative of the Pacific Business Group on Health, aims to accelerate the adoption of high value healthcare delivery and payment models through policy advocacy, education and purchaser engagement. The network seeks to inject purchaser perspectives and innovative best practices into federal and state policy decision making, educate employers about value-based purchasing and advocacy opportunities, and aligns three critical purchaser sectors—private employers, states, and the federal government—around evidence-based practices. For more information, visit www.pvnetwork.org.

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