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Ohio Cardiovascular and Diabetes Health Collaborative



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About Cardi-OH

Founded in 2017, the mission of Cardi-OH is to improve cardiovascular and diabetes health outcomes and eliminate disparities in Ohio's Medicaid population.

WHO WE ARE: An initiative of health care professionals across Ohio's seven medical schools.

WHAT WE DO: Identify, produce, and disseminate evidence-based cardiovascular and diabetes best practices to primary care teams.

HOW WE DO IT: Online library of best practices resources available at Cardi-OH.org and via our web app, including monthly newsletters, podcasts, webinars, and quality improvement using the Project ECHO® virtual training model.

Learn more at Cardi-OH.org



A Statewide Collaborative



Agenda



Topics	Presenter(s)	Timing
Welcome and Overview	Michael W. Konstan, MD Shari Bolen, MD, MPH	5 mins.
ODM Remarks	Mary Applegate, MD Jacqueline Morse, MD, MPH	5 mins.
Cardi-OH Over Time and Shared Successes	Michael W. Konstan, MD Shari Bolen, MD, MPH Cardi-OH Team	45 mins.
Cheers to 9 Great Years!	Michael W. Konstan, MD Shari Bolen, MD, MPH	5 mins.



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ODM Remarks



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Medical Director
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Cardi-OH Over Time and Shared Successes

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Shari Bolen, MD, MPH
Cardi-OH Team

Cardi-OH Trivia – Chat Activity #1



Can You Name the Original PI at your SOM?

Cardi-OH PIs: In the Beginning



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Elizabeth Beverly, PhD



University of Cincinnati

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Barbara Tobias, MD



The Ohio State University

Randy Wexler, MD



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Lance Dworkin, MD



Wright State University

Roberto Colón, MD



Cardi-OH PIs: Today



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Jim Lamb, MD



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Chat Activity #2



What is the one thing that impacted you the most as part of this collaborative?

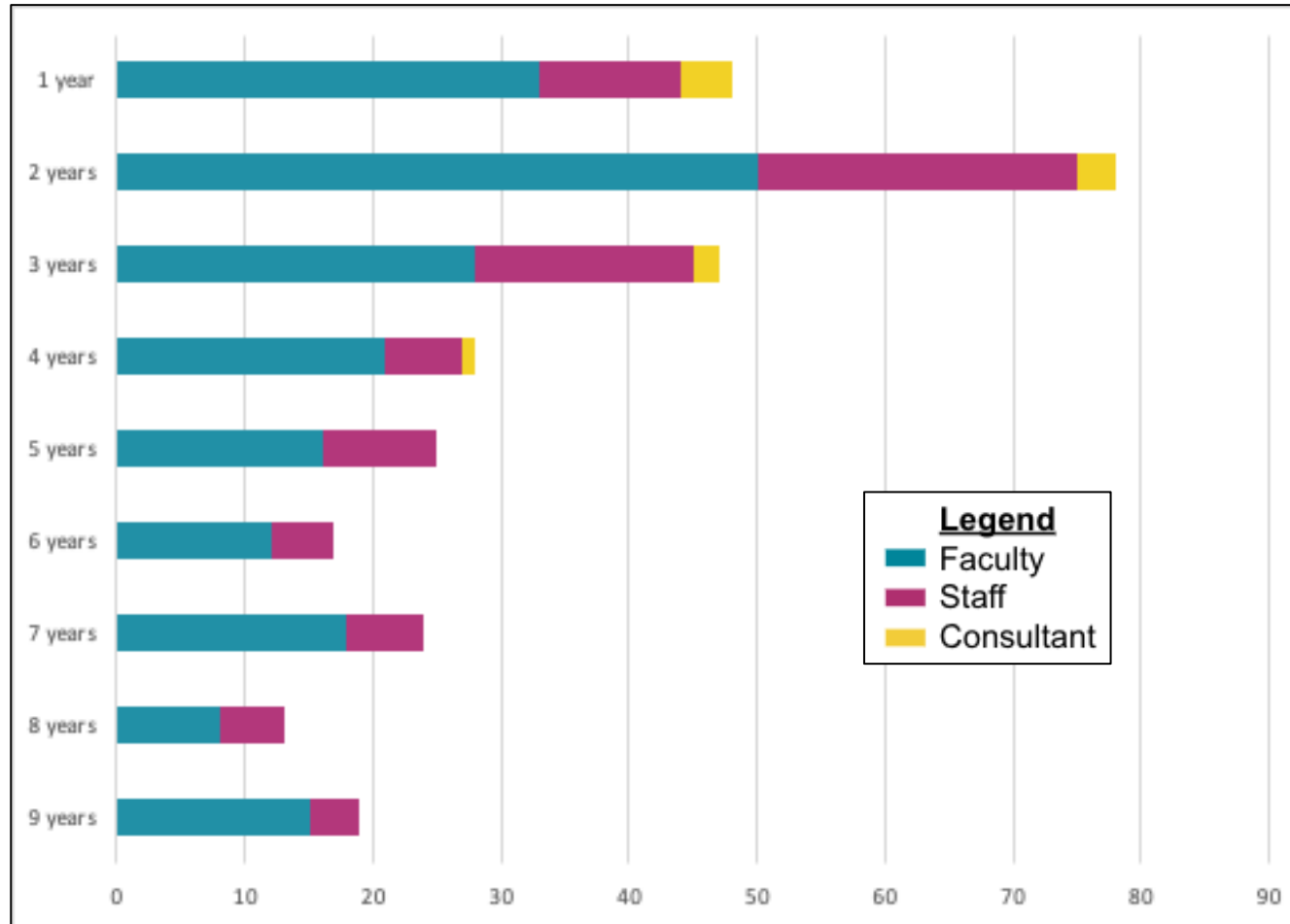
SFY17-SFY26

Mutual Investment and Commitment



Funding Source	Investment
Ohio Department of Medicaid/MedTAPP	\$21,315,454 (49%)
Ohio's 7 Medical Schools	\$22,185,947 (51%)
Total Investment	\$43,501,401

Cardi-OH Team Members Over Time

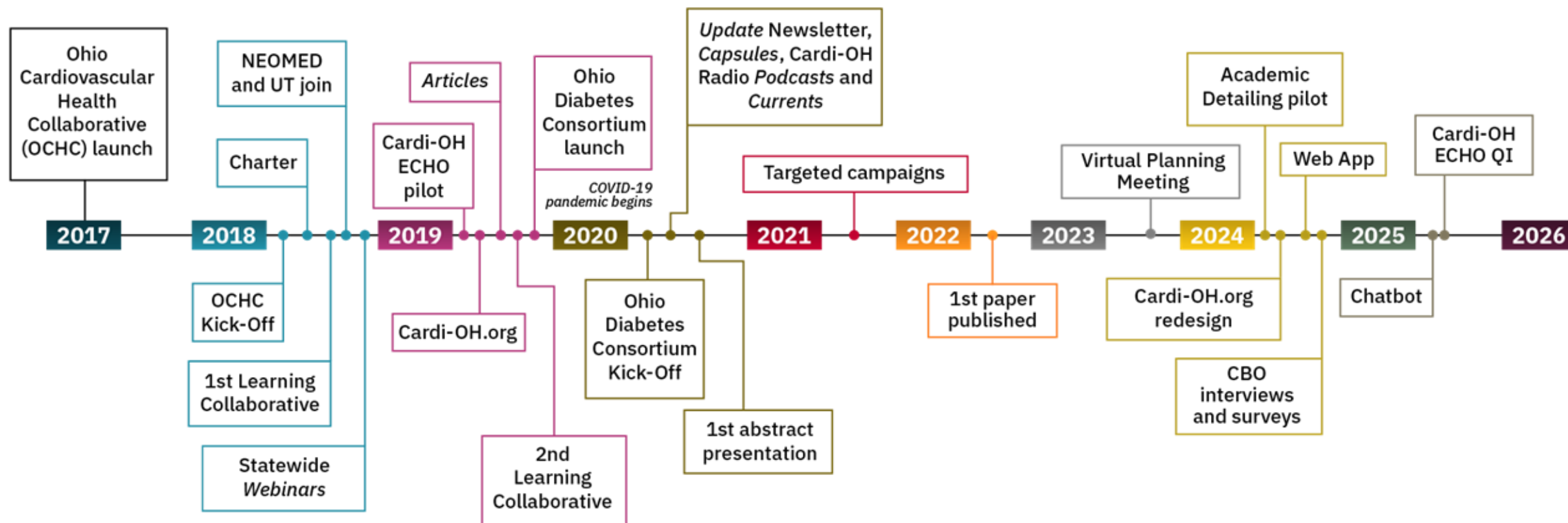


From 2017-2026,
Cardi-OH had a total of
300 team members
from 7 Schools of Medicine:

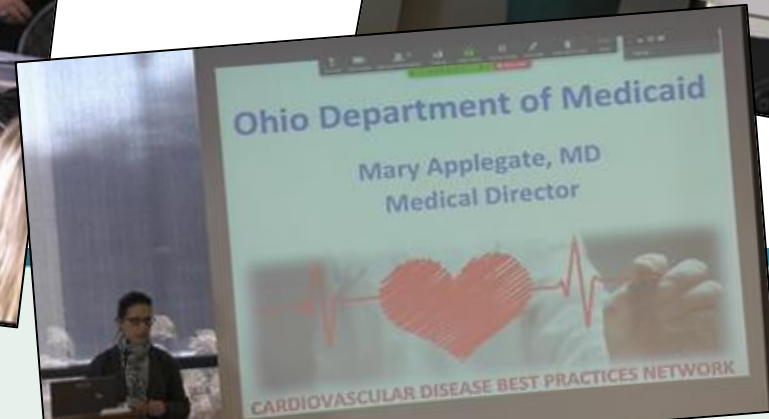
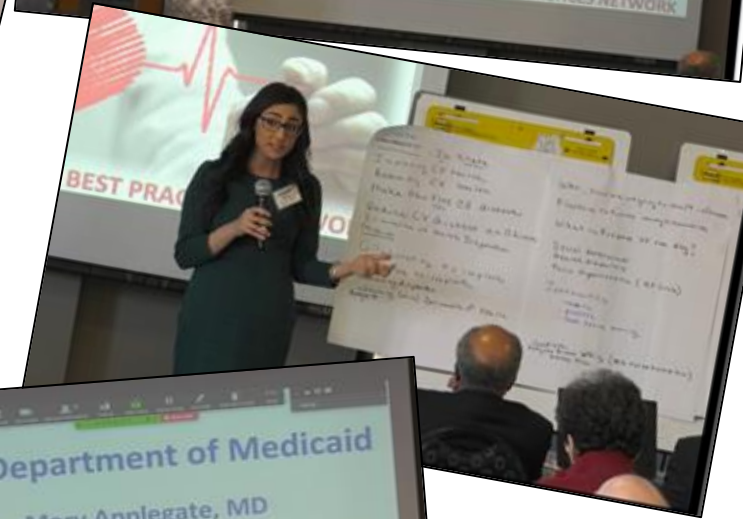
- 202 faculty
- 88 staff
- 10 consultants

Faces of Cardi-OH: 2017-2026

Timeline: Growth and Achievements



Cardi-OH Kick-Off: January 2018



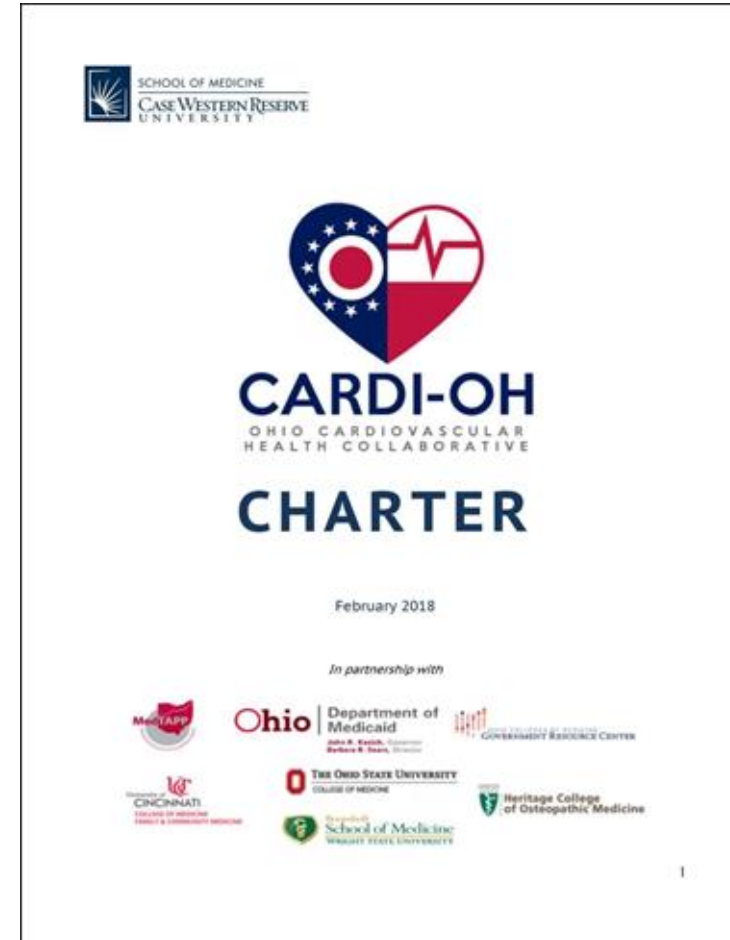
Charter Approved: 2018

Our Mission

To improve cardiovascular and diabetes health outcomes and eliminate health disparities, while improving patient and provider experiences.

Our Vision

For all Ohioans to reach their highest potential for cardiovascular and diabetes health.



Cardi-OH Success Metrics



- 1) Growth of a diverse group engaged with Cardi-OH in terms of geographic region and professional roles, disciplines, and sectors
- 2) Reach and quality of educational events and materials
- 3) Improvement in cardiovascular health metrics

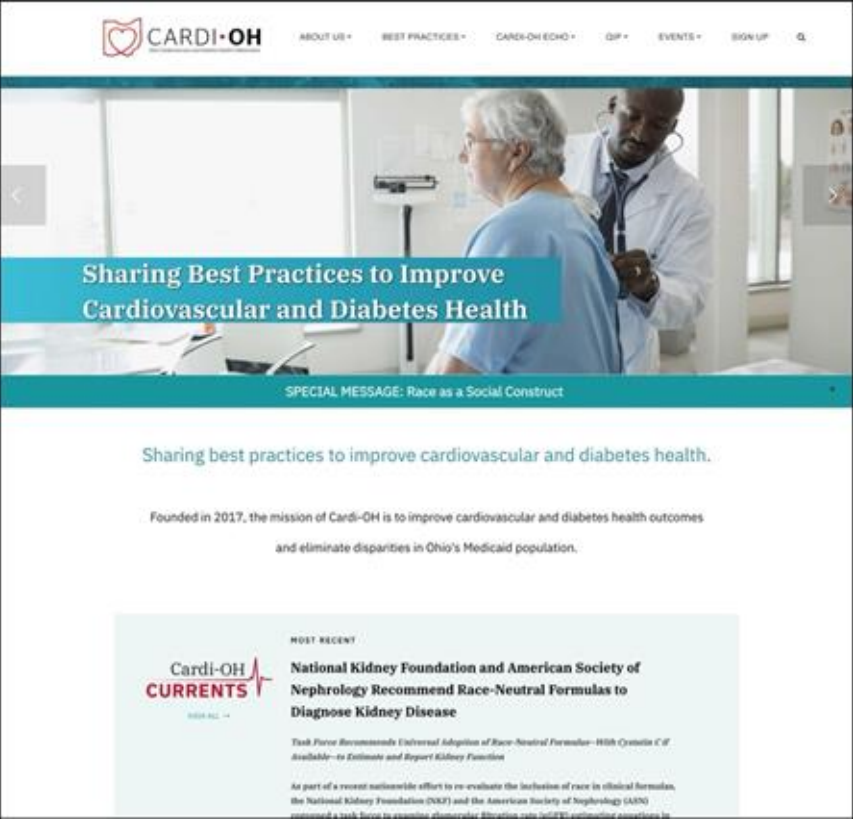
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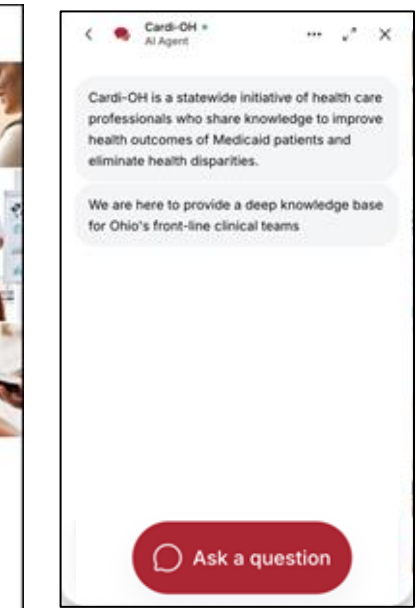
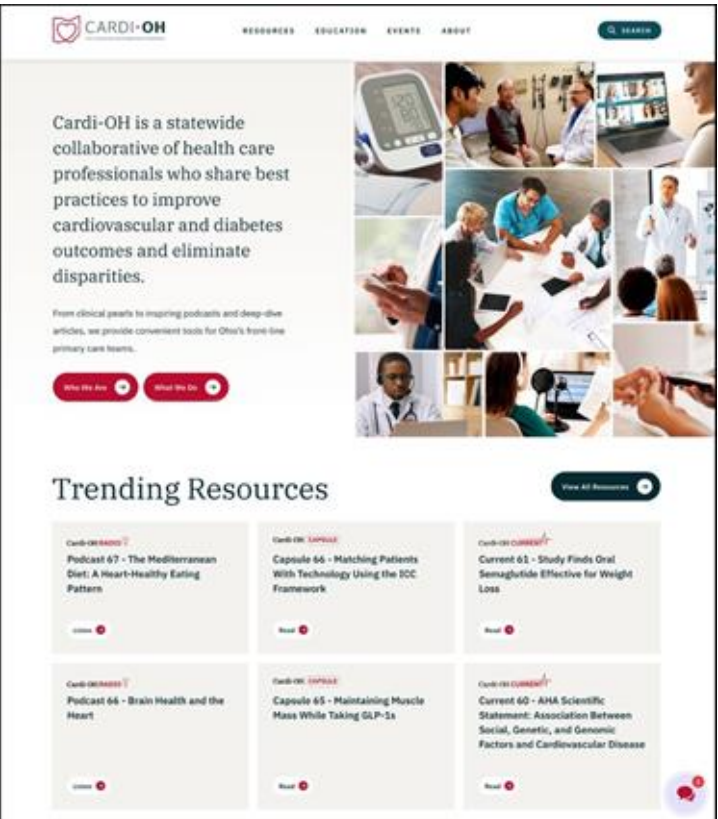
CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE BEST PRACTICES NETWORK



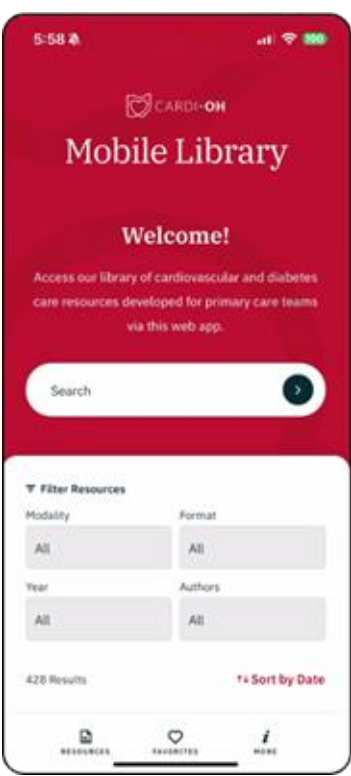
Cardi-OH.org: Then and Now



Then



Chatbot



Web App

Now

Cardi-OH Learning Collaborative: June 2018



Cardi-OH Learning Collaborative: May 2019



Diabetes Consortium Kick-Off: January 2020



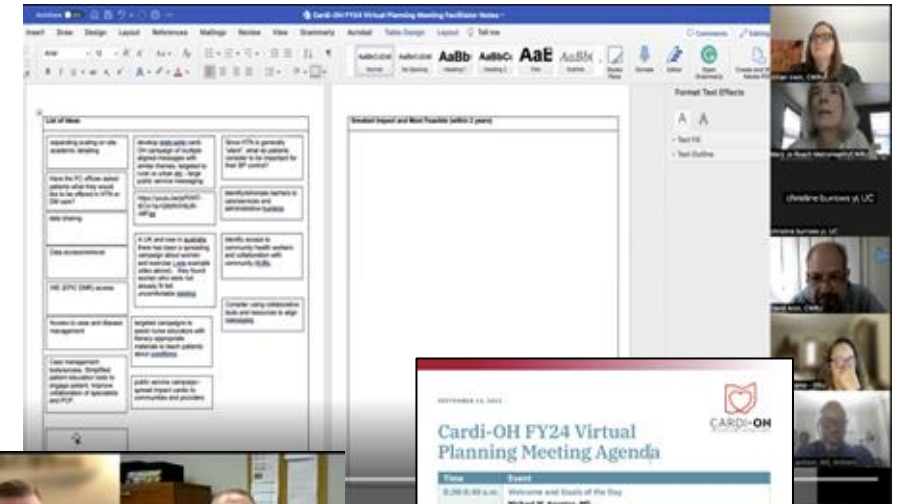
Cardi-OH Virtual Planning Meeting: September 2023



Convened 130 stakeholders for a FY24 Virtual Planning Meeting to identify high priority activities for the Statewide Collaborative over a two-year period.

Attendees represented:

- All 7 SOMs
- Regional Quality Improvement Hubs
- Ohio Department of Medicaid
- Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center
- Ohio Medicaid Managed Care Plans
- Key community and professional organizations



Cardi-OH ECHO Hub Established: 2018



Cardi-OH ECHO Series: 2019-2026



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By the Numbers



- 12 Cardi-OH ECHO Series
- Participation
 - 71 unique primary care practices
 - 184 primary care team members
 - 41 subject matter experts
 - Representing all SOM regions
- 144 total hours spent in ECHO clinics

Cardi-OH ECHO Health Systems and Practices



Cardi-OH ECHO Clinics



Core Obesity Knowledge

- 2) Epidemiology and key drivers of the obesity epidemic
- 2.0 Demonstrate a working knowledge of the epidemiology of the obesity epidemic
- E.g. 2.2. The social, cultural, and other factors that have contributed to the obesity epidemic.

Case Discussion

Jose Tavares is the lead physician in a 12-provider primary care practice near Akron, OH. He wants to encourage patients with hypertension to self-monitor their BP to promote engagement and hypertension control.

- Questions for Discussion:
 - In plain language, how might you explain the importance of home monitoring to an individual patient?
 - What other measures would you take to ensure success of home monitoring?



Blood Pressure During Follow-up

	Ramipril	Amlodipine	Metoprolol	Low MAP Goal	Usual MAP Goal
SBP (mm Hg)	134	131	134	128*	141
DBP (mm Hg)	81	81	81	78*	85
MAP (mm Hg)	99	98	99	94*	104

*Significantly different between two blood pressure goals $p < 0.01$

Wright et al. JAMA 2002; 288:2421



Medical comorbidity among individuals with chronic mental illness (CMI)

- CMIs such as recurrent depression, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia generally complicate general health outcomes
- CMI is often accompanied by additional mental health comorbidities such as substance abuse and PTSD
- CMI inflates costs
- CMI life-span reduced by 10-30 years.
- CMI have a 1.2 to 4.9 increase in mortality compared to age and sex-matched individuals from the general population resulting from DM, cardiovascular disease, and stroke.

Colton CW, Manderscheid RW. Preventing Chronic Disease 3: A42; 2006
Whitman, K. L. et al. Psychiatric Services 67(11): 1213-1225, 2016
Walker, E. R. et al. JAMA psychiatry. 72(4): 334-341, 2015

Cardi-OH ECHO QI Series



Kick-Off Meeting: April 2025
ECHO QI Monthly Clinics: May 2025-April 2026



QUALITY IMPROVEMENT Cardiovascular Series

Registration Now Open!
Cardi-OH.org/ECHO-QI/register

FACILITATORS:
Gautham Rao, MD, FAHA & Aileen Caron, PhD
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine

DATES:
April 2025 - May 2026
ECHO QI Clinics on the first Thursday of each month, 8-9 a.m.

Cardi-OH is recruiting seven Ohio primary care practices to participate in an innovative quality improvement (QI) initiative using the Project ECHO model.

How it Works

- Practices design, implement, and evaluate a QI project that addresses an important problem in cardiovascular disease prevention or management.
- Monthly 1-hour virtual ECHO clinics featuring didactic presentations led by subject matter experts, followed by a discussion of practices' progress in QI efforts.
- Monthly data submission followed by a 1-hour QI coaching session to review your practice's individual QI project.

Why Join

- Professional development and continued learning.
- Increased QI knowledge and support from a dedicated coach.
- Expanded knowledge network and collegiality with practices across the state.
- Improved patient care delivery.
- No-cost CME credits available and support for MOC.
- Participation stipend.

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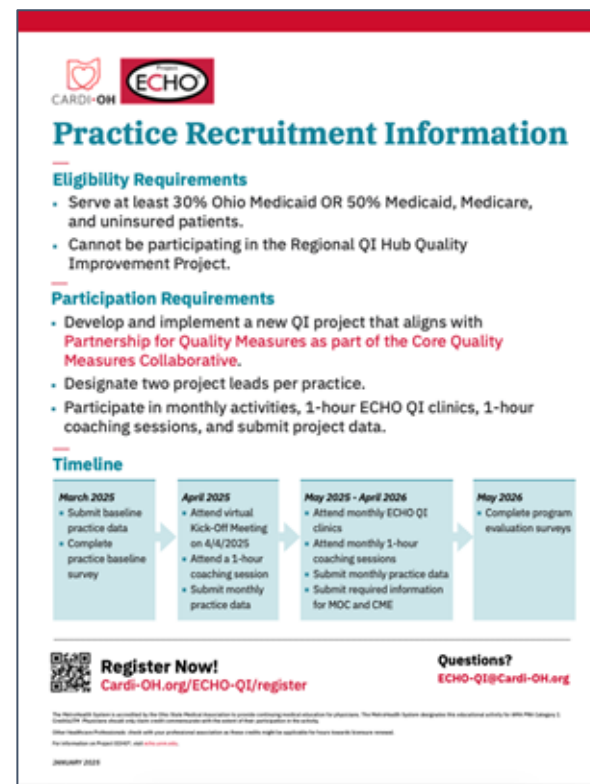


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Questions?
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JANUARY 2025



Practice Recruitment Information

Eligibility Requirements

- Serve at least 30% Ohio Medicaid OR 50% Medicaid, Medicare, and uninsured patients.
- Cannot be participating in the Regional QI Hub Quality Improvement Project.

Participation Requirements

- Develop and implement a new QI project that aligns with **Partnership for Quality Measures as part of the Core Quality Measures Collaborative**.
- Designate two project leads per practice.
- Participate in monthly activities, 1-hour ECHO QI clinics, 1-hour coaching sessions, and submit project data.

Timeline

March 2025	April 2025	May 2025 - April 2026	May 2026
• Submit baseline practice data • Complete practice baseline survey	• Attend virtual Kick-Off Meeting on 4/4/2025 • Attend a 1-hour coaching session • Submit monthly practice data	• Attend monthly ECHO QI clinics • Attend monthly 1-hour coaching sessions • Submit monthly practice data • Submit required information for MOC and CME	• Complete program evaluation surveys

Register Now!
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The Measurement System is accredited by the Ohio State Medical Association to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Measurement System designates this educational activity for 4.00 MOC Category 1. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. Other Healthcare Professionals: Attend with your professional association as these credits might be applicable for hours towards licensure renewal. For information on Program CME, visit www.cmao.org.

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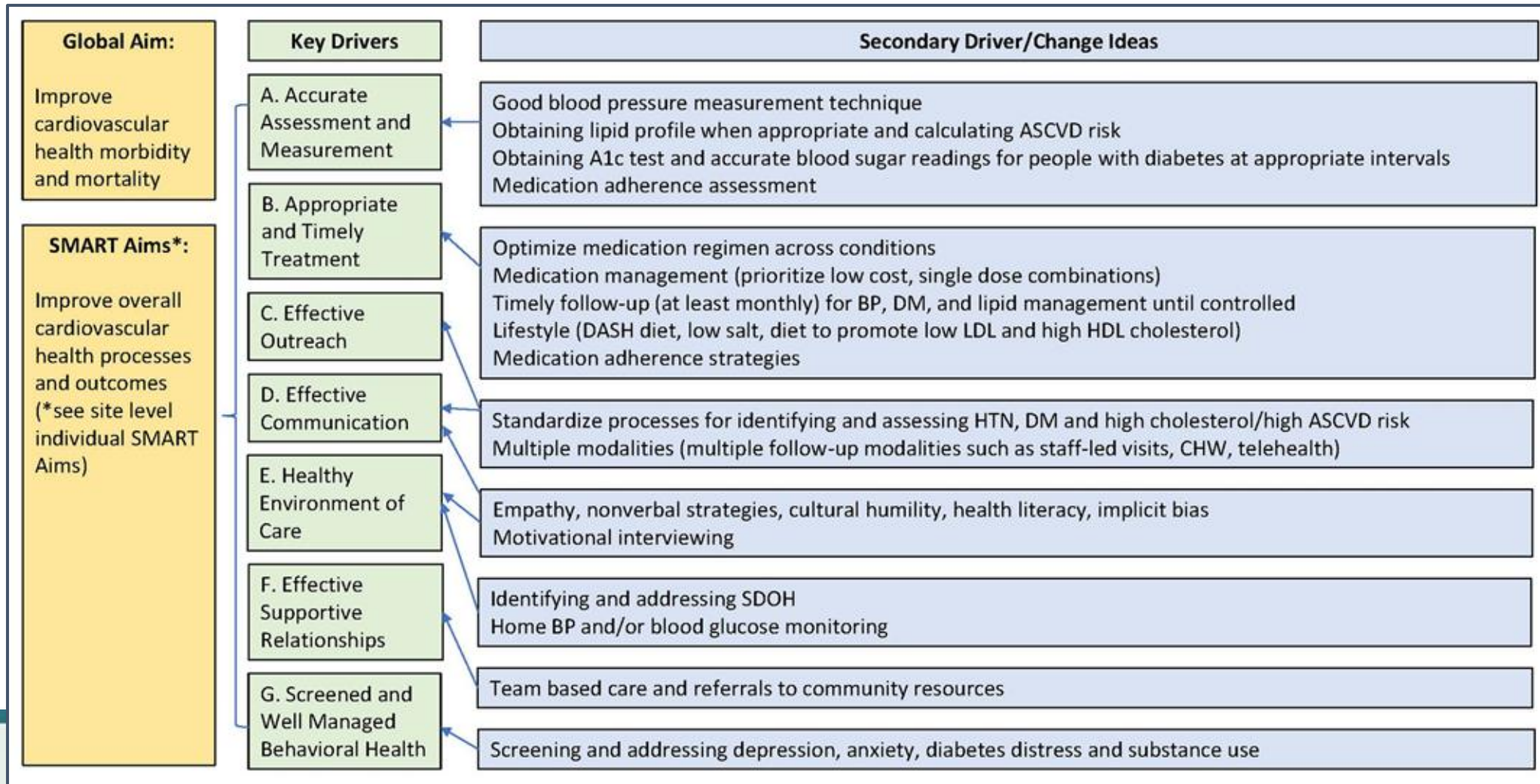


Spring 2025 Cardi-OH ECHO QI Cardiovascular Series Participant Sites



- 1 Erie County Community Health Center**
Sandusky
- 2 Fisher-Titus Medical Center, Norwalk Primary Care**
Norwalk
- 3 MetroHealth Middleburg Heights November Family Health Center**
Middleburg Heights
- 4 Village of Healing**
Euclid
- 5 East Liverpool City Hospital Family Medicine Residency Office**
East Liverpool
- 6 The HealthCare Connection**
Cincinnati

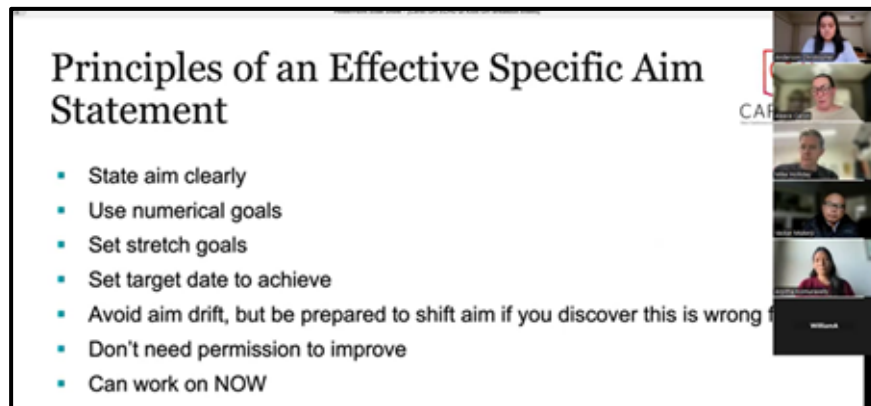
Overall Key Driver Diagram



ECHO QI Implementation & Innovations

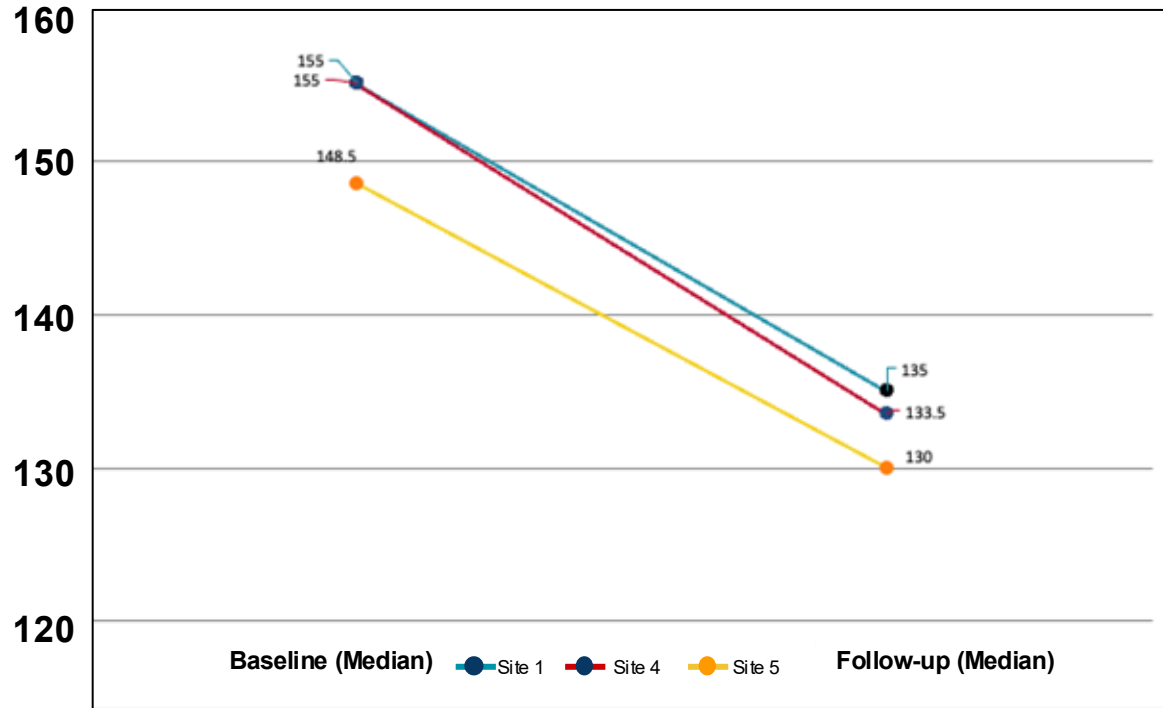


- Virtual Kick-Off Meeting
- Monthly:
 - ECHO QI Clinics
 - QI Coaching w/Clinical QI Coaches
 - Manual Data Submission
- Practices design their own QI projects on a range of CVD topics



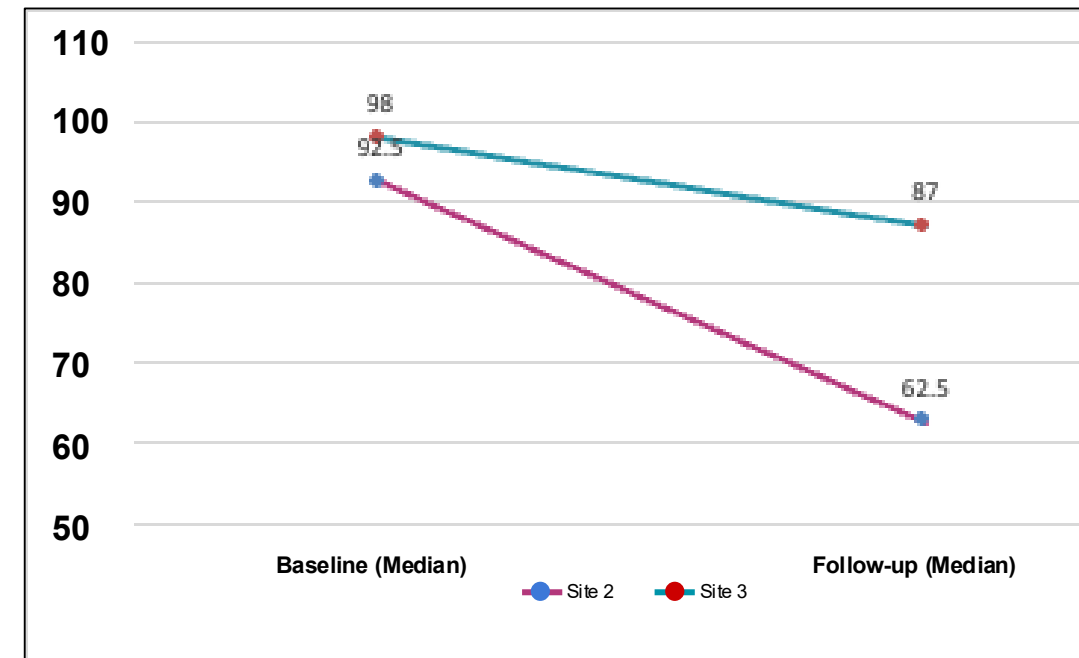
Outcome Measures

Blood Pressure

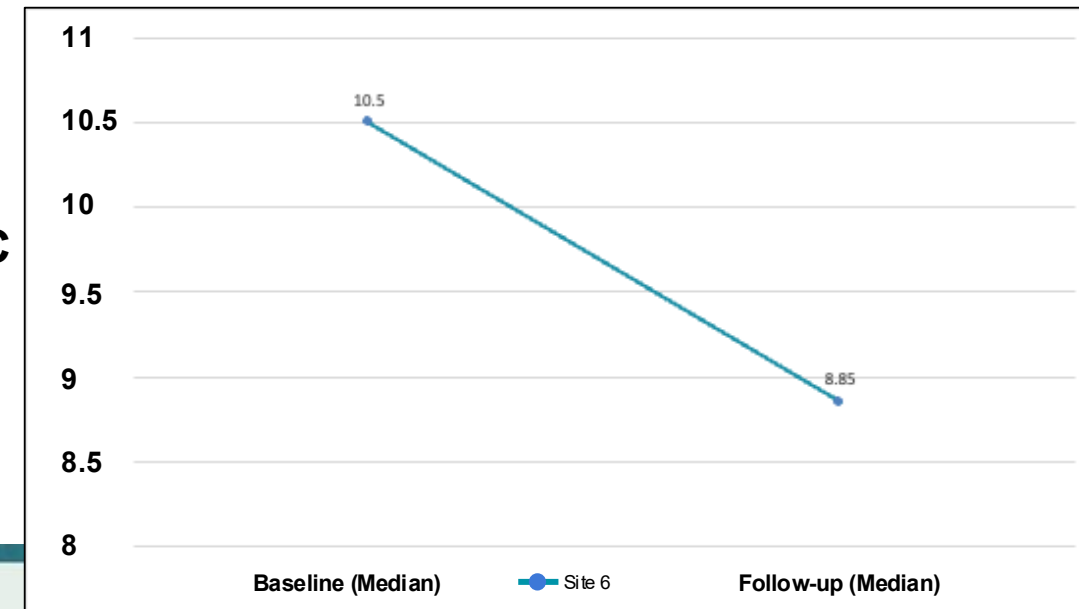


Note: downward trend shows improvement for all three clinical outcome measures

LDL



A1C



ECHO QI Participant Testimonials



“I always like it when providers when they ask why we have such good hypertension or diabetes rates. I like to tell that providers do follow the cardiovascular best practices and standard of care guideline. And I’ve said that since we’ve participated in our first Cardi-OH project. That’s why our hypertension and diabetes numbers are so great is because of Cardi-OH’s evidence-based practices.”

“...one of the positive things about the QI project was the Coach’s leadership in it and challenging us, and it was always very professional, very timely. I thought it was a great experience.”

“I felt like we got a lot of different perspectives. So, I thought that it was very helpful and I liked listening to everyone’s ideas.”

Building QI Capacity: Increased Knowledge of Clinical QI Coaches



“Learned much about QI process again, but also by working with [lead coach] was able to see in action the best practices used for QI in today’s world. The ECHOs were so useful to hear how others were tackling similar issues. Cardi-OH provided outstanding preparation, regularly teaching and feedback, and great relationships with our clinical partners. Thank you for doing this - will be utilizing within our own Medicaid-serving clinics.”

QI Coaching Skill Domain	Baseline Survey Mean	Exit Survey Mean
Considering local context for data and evaluation needs	3.5	4.8
Executing effective interpersonal skills for key stakeholder engagement	4.1	5.2
Motivating QI in a practice and among QI team members	4.0	5.3
Teaching and/or sharing QI tools and methods	3.3	5.1
Assisting practices in obtaining and using data to evaluate QI	3.1	4.9
Supporting QI spread	3.7	5.2

Note: scores could range from 1 “not at all comfortable or knowledgeable” to 6 “extremely comfortable or knowledgeable”

Team Best Practices

A curated library with
hundreds of
cardiovascular and
diabetes best practices

About Team Best Practices

Experts research and disseminate best practices for primary care providers to use in clinical care.



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Cardi-OH Trivia: Can You Name the Most Downloaded Capsule?

UPDATED MAY 2025 — CAPSULE 3

Home Blood Pressure (BP) Monitoring: Practical Instructions for Patients

CONTRIBUTING AUTHORS: Sheri Bolen, MD, MPH, Sharon Khoury, MD, MPH, and Jackson T. Wright, Jr., MD, PhD, on behalf of Team Best Practices

How many blood pressure (BP) readings should a patient take at home to inform a hypertension treatment decision?

Home BP monitoring is an important step in the evaluation and management of hypertension. Clinicians can facilitate more meaningful home BP readings by educating patients on how to measure their BP accurately.

Cardi-OH has developed **practical instructions** for accurate home BP monitoring to share with patients. Consider adapting these tips for use in clinical after-visit instructions.

When Should You Measure Your Blood Pressure?
In the 3 to 5 days before your next visit, take your blood pressure according to the schedule below and record all blood pressure readings in a log.¹ If your BP medication is changed, check weekly starting two weeks after the change and continuing until the next visit.²



Each day, take:
Two blood pressure readings in the morning, before taking your medications and two blood pressure readings in the evening, before going to bed.²

How to Take Your Blood Pressure at Home:

1. Do NOT smoke, exercise, or drink caffeine in the 30 minutes before checking your blood pressure.
2. Sit in a chair with your back supported and feet flat on the floor.
3. Rest your arm on a table at heart level.
4. Sit at rest for at least 5 minutes before taking the first blood pressure reading.
5. Do NOT talk during the 5 minute rest period or while taking your blood pressure.
6. Wait 1 minute before taking the second reading each time (morning and evening).
7. Write down the two readings along with the date and time.

Remember!

Bring both your log and home blood pressure monitor to each clinic visit to be checked against your doctor's office machines.



REVIEWED SEPTEMBER 2025 — CAPSULE 29

Using SMART Goals to Promote a Healthy Body Weight

CONTRIBUTING AUTHORS: Jenna J. Womersley, PhD, Case Western Reserve University; Karen Raring, MD, MS, Case Western Reserve University; Colin Cross, MD, Case Western Reserve University, on behalf of Team Best Practices

Weight loss can be achieved and maintained by making lifestyle changes that benefit both weight and overall health. When patients express a desire to lose weight or improve overall health, clinicians can guide patients in aligning their goals with each of the **SMART** (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-Based) goal criteria.

- Ask the patient about their reasons for wanting to lose weight and express empathy by reflecting on their responses. Be aware that the patient may be sensitive to judgment or negativity, as many have experienced weight-based stigma in health care settings.¹
- Although it is common for patients to hope to achieve significant weight loss, advise that even a modest loss of 5% to 10% is likely to produce health benefits, including improvements in blood pressure, cholesterol, and glucose levels.²⁻⁴
- Explain SMART goal setting and its value. Invite the patient to choose one lifestyle behavior to implement. Evidence-based recommendations include:⁵⁻⁸
 - Eat a protein-rich breakfast as the biggest daily meal.
 - Drink only water, black coffee, or plain tea.
 - Stop all food intake at 7 p.m.
 - Exercise for 30 minutes daily.
- Inquire about anticipated obstacles to implementation. Using motivational interviewing techniques, elicit the patient's ideas about overcoming obstacles and assist with contingency planning.
- Plan for follow-up in 4 weeks to discuss SMART goal progress.
- Optional: Assist the patient in setting weekly and monthly weight loss goals. Weight loss should not exceed 2 pounds per week. Inquire about support for weight loss efforts. If resources are available, offer support from a community health worker or a member of the practice staff.

For more information, access Cardi-OH's patient handout on **SMART goals** and expanded resources on **motivational interviewing** and **healthy lifestyle changes**.

Specific: I plan to drink no other beverages besides water and black coffee on at least four of the next seven days.

Measurable: Each day that I achieve my goal, I will circle the date on my calendar before going to bed.

Achievable: This goal seems realistic and I believe that I can achieve it.

Relevant: Achieving this goal can help me lose weight and improve my health, which are important to me.

Time-Based: I plan to work on this goal for the next seven days.

REVIEWED DECEMBER 2024 — CAPSULE 9

5 Pearls for Motivational Interviewing

CONTRIBUTING AUTHORS: Owen Bricker, MD, Wright State University; James J. Womersley, PhD, MHA, Case Western Reserve University; Sharon Khoury, MD, MPH, Case Western Reserve University, on behalf of Team Best Practices

The foundation of cardiovascular health improvement consists of healthy lifestyle behaviors such as getting regular exercise, avoiding smoking, eating a healthy diet, and taking medications as prescribed. However, it can often be challenging to guide patients toward meaningful behavior changes.

Motivational interviewing is an evidence-based conversational approach used to explore and strengthen a patient's own motivating factors toward behavior change.¹

Motivational interviewing seeks to understand circumstances from the patient's point of view, because providing information to patients is important but not typically sufficient to drive behavior change.² Change is driven by the patient's desire for consistency between their goals and values and their behavior. In motivational interviewing, the clinician guides the patient in resolving their ambivalence by eliciting their motivation for healthy behavioral changes.

For more information, access Cardi-OH's expanded resource on **motivational interviewing**.

Consider incorporating these skills into your clinical conversations as you work with patients toward better cardiovascular health:

Open-Ended Questions

These cannot be answered with a simple "yes" or "no"



TRY ASKING: What is your understanding of how smoking affects your blood pressure?
INSTEAD OF: Do you see a connection between your smoking and your recent high blood pressures?

Evoke Change Talk

Change talk is any argument the patient makes for change



TRY ASKING: If you really decided to quit smoking, how could you do it? What's the downside of how things are now?
INSTEAD OF: Why haven't you changed? Why do you have to smoke?

Ask-Tell-Ask

This elicits patient thoughts or concerns both before and after providing a key message



TRY ASKING: How do you feel about your smoking? Quitting smoking is one of the best ways you can reduce your risk of heart attack and stroke. What questions or concerns do you have for me?
INSTEAD OF: You need to quit smoking.

0-10 Scales

These can assess importance, readiness to change, or confidence



TRY ASKING: On a scale of 0-10, with 0 being not at all ready, and 10 being ready today, how ready are you to make a quit-smoking attempt? What made you say 3 instead of 10? What might it take for you to move to a 6 or 7?
INSTEAD OF: You don't seem ready to quit yet.

Reflective Listening

This summarizes what the patient has said, or restates the meaning of what they express



TRY STATING: You sound concerned about the need to add new medicines.
INSTEAD OF: I am prescribing a new medicine for your blood pressure.

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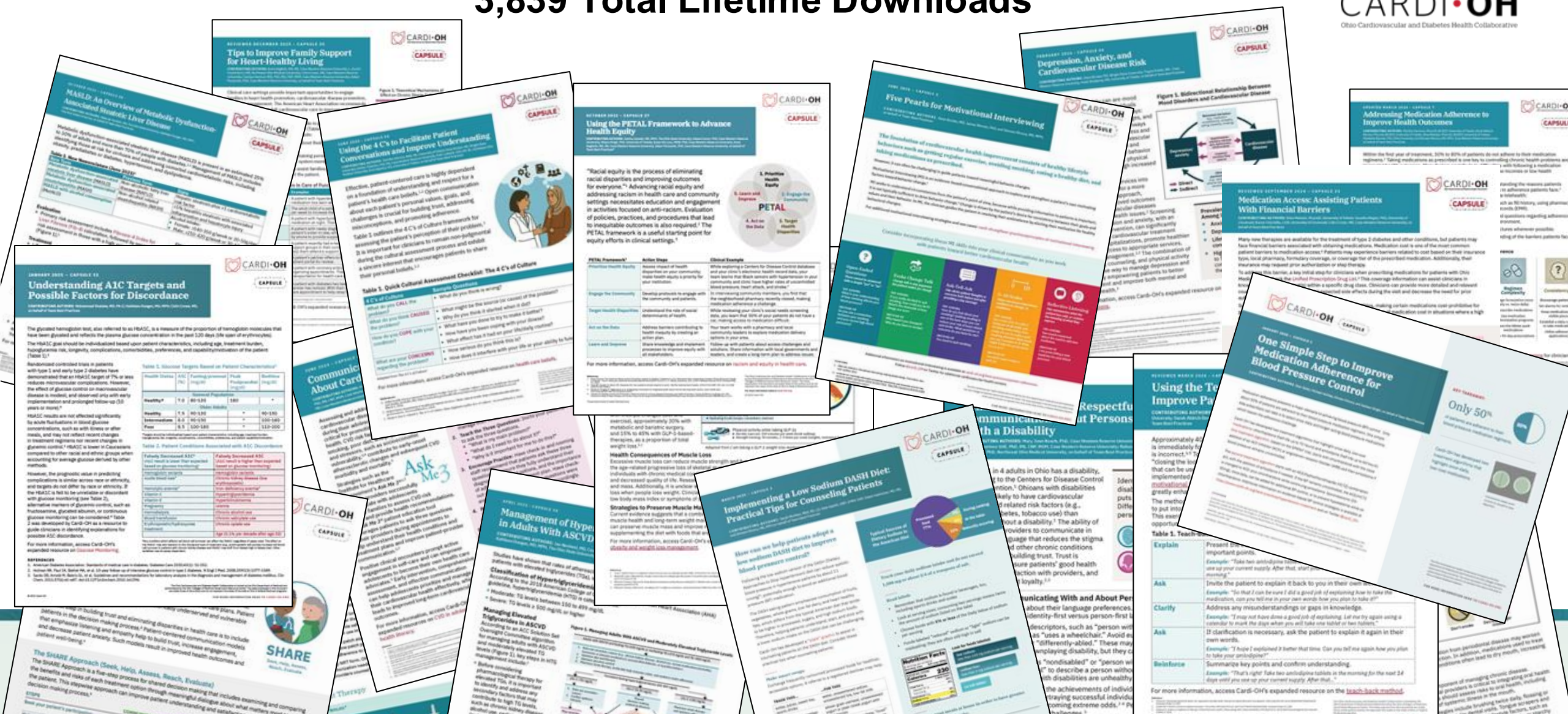
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Peter Pronovost, MD, MPH

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Pattern

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Telehealth

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with Your Patients

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Weight Loss
Management: Surgical
Interventions, Part 2

Podcast 35 - Sleep
Disorders and the Heart

Podcast 37 - What I Want
My Health Care Team to
Know About Having a
Disability

Podcast 26 - Kicking the
Habit: Partnering With
Patients to Treat Tobacco
Dependence

Cardi-OH RADIO
Podcast 14 - The Top Six
Things Endocrinologists
Wish Every Primary Care
Provider Knew

Podcast 62 - Updates in
ASLD and MASH: What
Providers Need to Know

Cardi-OH Trivia: Can You Name the Most Viewed *Current*?



Cardi-OH **CURRENT**

**Current 42 - AGA Update
on the Management of
GLP-1 RA for Endoscopic
Procedures**

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**

**Current 47 - AHA
Recommends New
Terminology and
Personalized Approach for
Managing Elevated BP in
Inpatient Settings**

2,582 total views

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**

**Current 57 - 2025
ACC/AHA Guideline for
High Blood Pressure in
Adults**

63 Currents Since July 2020

12,985 Total Lifetime Views



Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 61 - Study Finds
Oral Semaglutide
Effectively Reduces Weight Loss

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 16 - Report
Highlights Negative
Impact of COVID-19
Epidemic on U.S. Obesity

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 5 - Prospective
Cohort Study Finds Both
Artificially Sweetened
Beverages & Sugary
Drinks Associated with
Increased Cardiovascular
Disease Risk

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 20 - Telehealth: Improving
A1C Levels in Patients
with Diabetes

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 23 - Update on
Diagnosis and
Management of
Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver
Disease

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 22 - Update on E-
Cigarettes and
Cardiovascular Disease
Risk

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 56 - Updates
from the U.S. Dietary
Guidelines Advisory
Committee's Scientific
Report

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 38 - Elevated
Systolic Blood Pressure in
Infancy Linked to CVD

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 43 - Pediatric
Hypertension Doubles the
Risk of Major
Cardiovascular
Adulthood

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 52 - Statins
Reduce Liver Cancer and
Decompensation Risk in
Patients with Chronic
Liver Disease

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 12 - American
College of Cardiology
Releases Guidance to
Address ASCVD Risk in
Patients with Diabetes

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 7 -
Interprofessional
Collaborative Practice
Improves HbA1C and
Blood Pressure

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 46 - Blood Test
for Three Biomarkers
Predicts 30-

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 27 - Older Adults
Frequently Undertreated
for Hypertension

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 59 - Key Updates
from the 2026 ADA
Standards of Care

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Current 36 - SELECT Trial:
Semaglutide Reduces
Cardiovascular Risk in
Patients With
Overweight/Obesity and
CVD

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 32 - Update on
Chronic Kidney Disease in
People With Diabetes

Cardi-OH **CURRENT**
Current 9 - Adverse
Pregnancy Outcomes
Increase Cardiovascular
Disease Risk Factors and
Development

16 Statewide Webinars Since November 2018



Cardi-OH Trivia: Can You Name the Webinar With the Highest Attendance?



1. **DASH Diet**
Randy Wexler
2. **Behavioral Health**
Trygve Dolber
3. **Community Health Workers**
Elizabeth A. Beverly & Melissa K. Thomas
4. **T2D in Adolescents**
Rose Gubitosi-Klug & Erika Lundgrin
5. **Race and Cardiovascular Health**
Herman A. Taylor, Jr.
6. **Remote Monitoring for Diabetes**
Kathleen Dungan
7. **COVID-19 and Cardiovascular Health**
Tamanna K. Singh
8. **Weight Management and Diabetes**
Benjamin O'Donnell

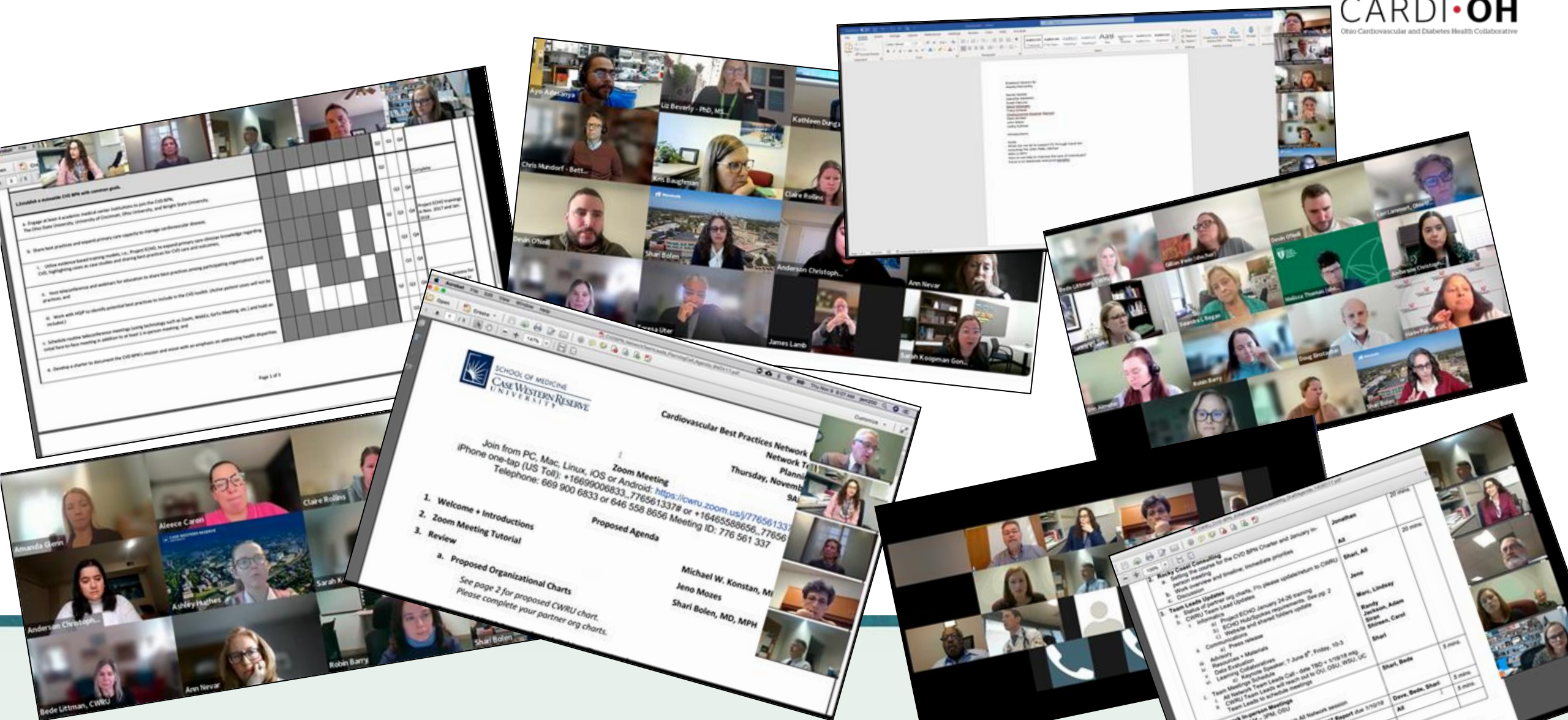
9. **Heart Health and Sleep**
Jennifer Molano
10. **Heart Failure**
Mark E. Dunlap
11. **Fatty Liver Disease**
Lanla F. Conteh
12. **Social Determinants of Health**
Rachel Gold
13. **Prevention of CVD in Women**
Leslie Cho
14. **Food Insecurity**
David H. Holben
15. **Brain Health**
Robert B. Saper
16. **Tackling Adherence Challenges**
M. Robin DiMatteo

336 attendees

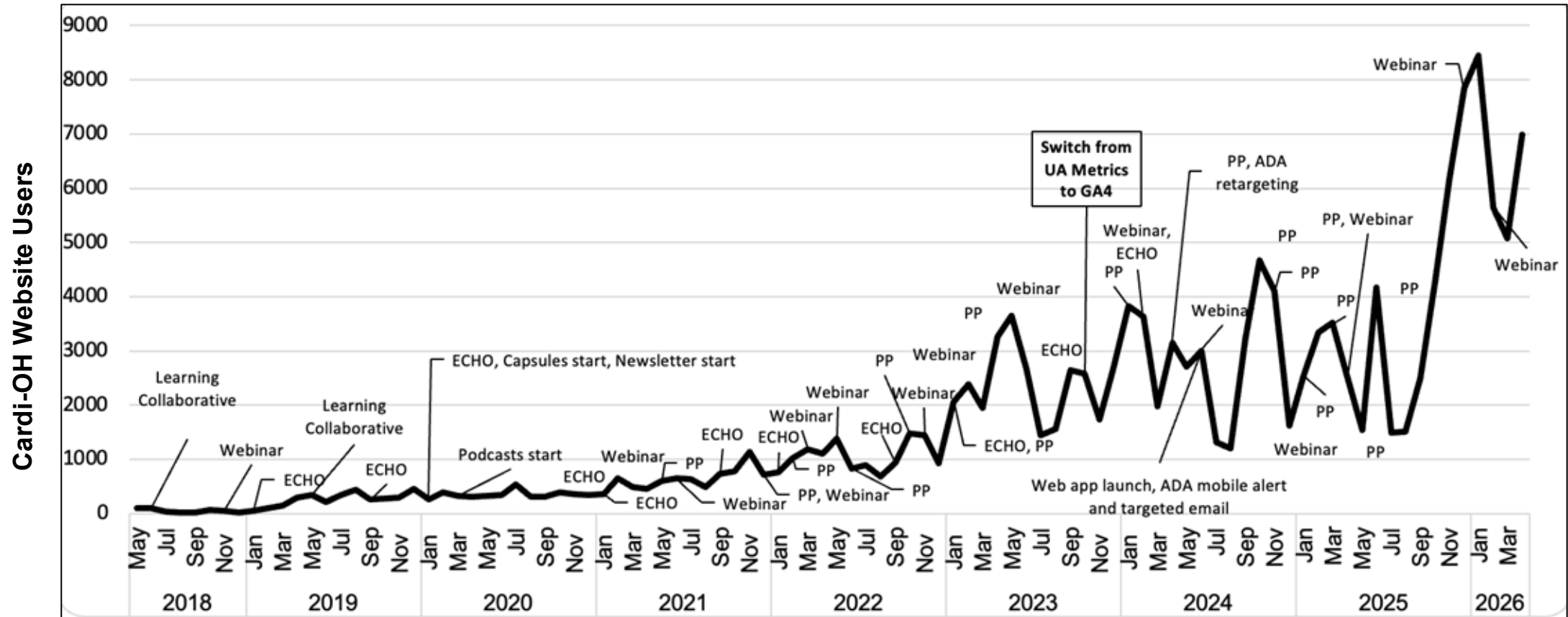
So Many Zoom Meetings!



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Cardi-OH.org Reach and Engagement



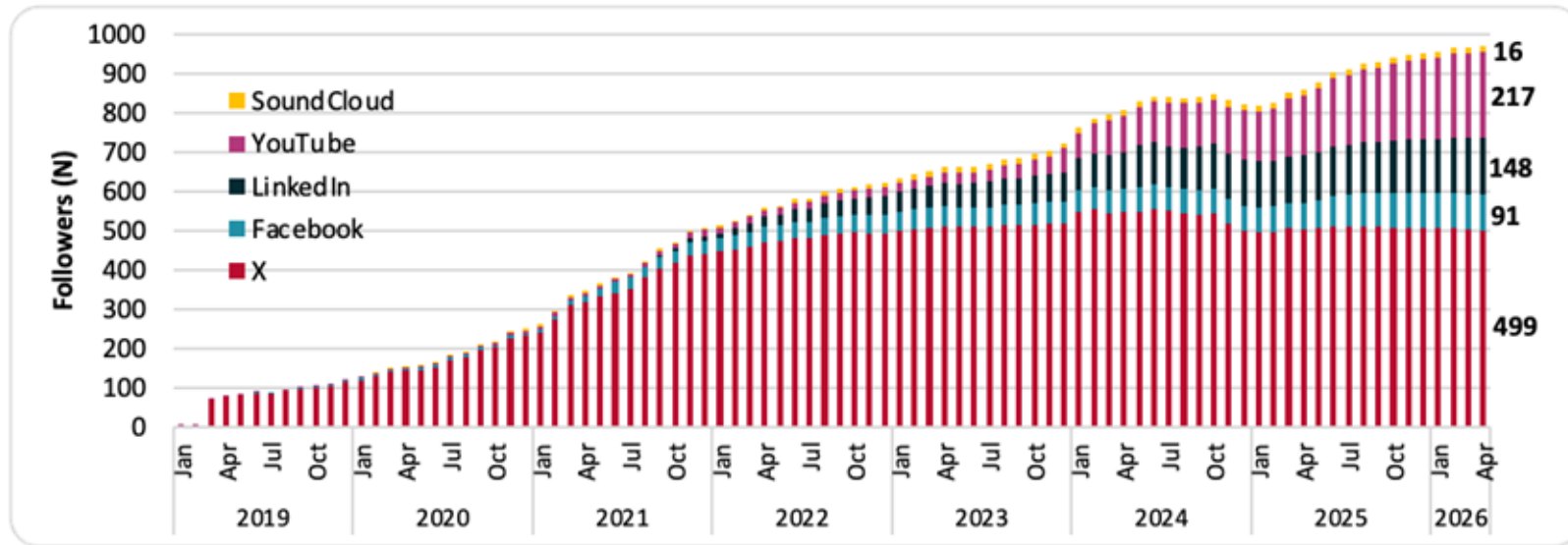
Reach and Engagement in Ohio Over Time



- Legend**
-  School of Medicine
 -  REDCap user added after engaging with Cardi-OH at least once (i.e., attended event, ECHO clinic, or took the annual needs assessment)

n=1,335 out of 3,475 total records

Social Media Followers by Month



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The American Heart Association recommends engaging family members in adult cardiovascular care to improve patient outcomes. Family involvement can enhance shared decision-making, support adherence, and strengthen understanding of care plans.

This ❤️ American Heart Month ❤️, explore practical ways to incorporate families into cardiovascular care. -> <https://bit.ly/4qoZlHt>

Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
Northeast Ohio Medical University
Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine
Ohio State University College of Medicine
The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences
Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine [See less](#)

 **Clinical Strategies for Family-Focused Care**

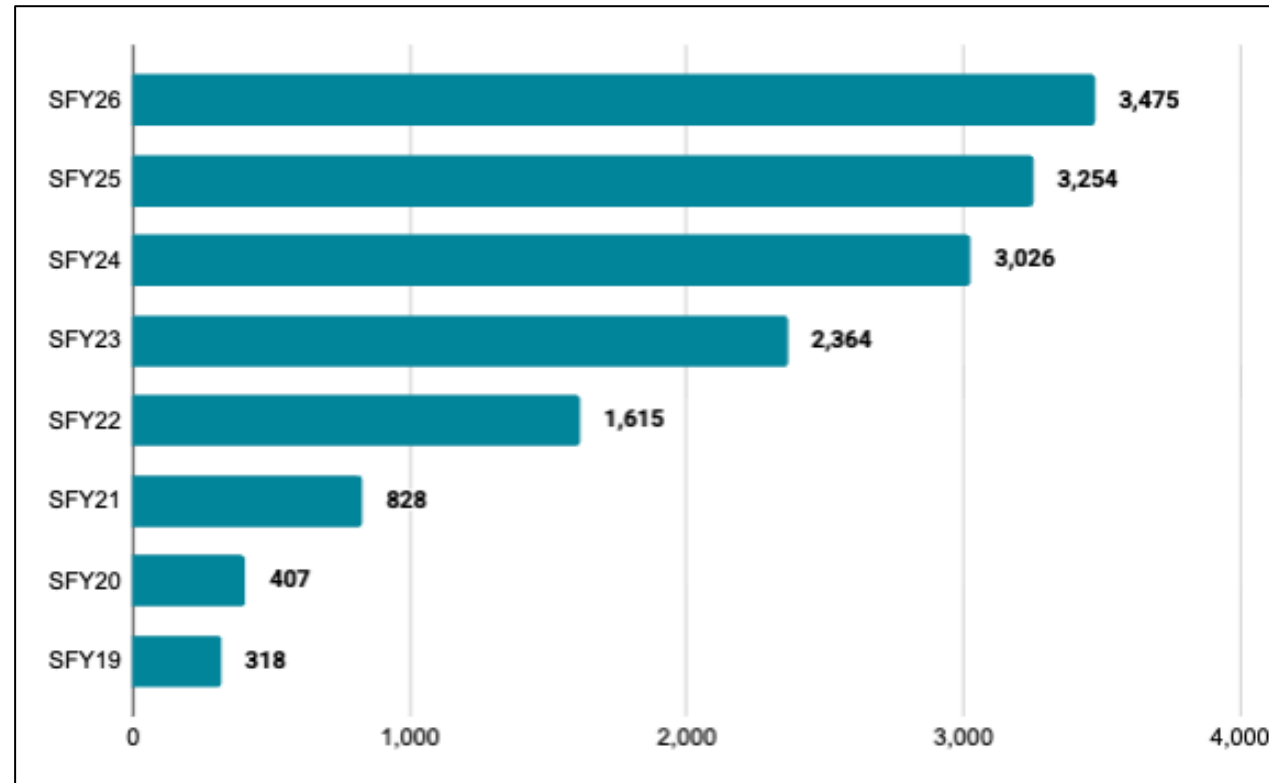
- ✓ Include family in visits when appropriate (in person or virtual)
- ✓ Provide skills training and clear guidance
- ✓ Connect patients and families to psychosocial resources
- ✓ Advocate for family-supportive policies
- ✓ Acknowledge that not all family dynamics are supportive



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Cardi-OH Database: Growth Over Time



Contacts in the Cardi-OH REDCap Database

74 *Update* Newsletters Since 2020

33,627 Lifetime Email Opens



Reaching HCPs Where They Practice: PatientPoint



Use Food Labels to Make Healthy Choices

Avoid foods with a high % Daily Value for saturated fat, sodium, and sugar.

Talk to your health care team today.

Nutrition Facts	
4 servings per container	
Serving size 1 cup (227g)	
Amount per serving	
Calories 280	
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 10g	20%
Saturated Fat 4 1/2g	9%
Trans Fat 1g	2%
Cholesterol 100mg	20%
Sodium 100mg	20%
Total Carbohydrate 24g	12%
Dietary Fiber 4g	8%
Total Sugars 10g	20%
Includes 1g Added Sugars	2%
*Percent Daily Values are based on a 	

Take time to learn about your health insurance coverage.

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Sharing Best Practices to Improve Cardiovascular and Diabetes Health

Access Cardi-OH's evidence-based resource library for primary care teams

CARDI-OH CAPSULE Clinical pearls for day-to-day practice

CARDI-OH CURRENTS News you can use

CARDI-OH RADIO Podcasts with experts on hot topics

ECHO ECHO Clinics with case-based learning

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LORENZO'S Light Club

The **Light Club** is a free, virtual hangout for youth of a parent living with younger-onset dementia to connect, find support, and have fun.

TWEENS (ages 9-12) second Wednesday of each month 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. CT

Scan QR code to learn more.

1:17 PM | PatientPoint

Join Our Virtual Learning Community

How Does it Work?

- Uses a hub-and-spoke model to share best practices with Ohio primary care teams
- Features expert-led didactic and interactive case-based learning discussions

Why Join?

- Development and continued learning with practices across the state
- Joy in work retention and health outcomes

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Free CME credits

Today's Weather

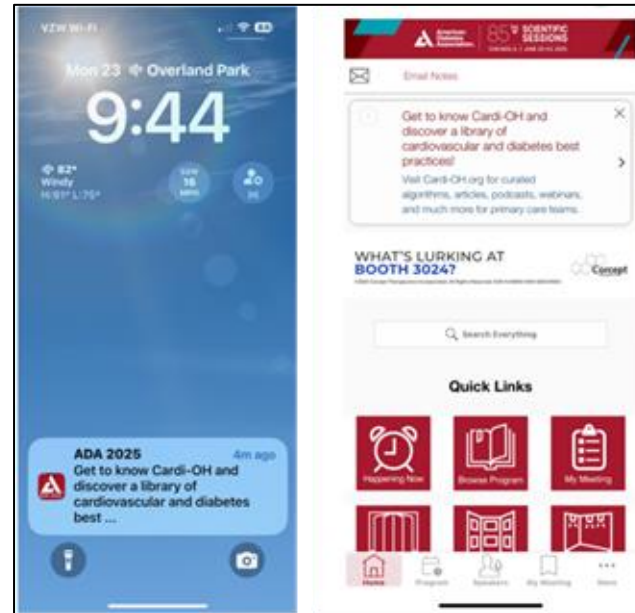
48°

High 48° Low 30°

THU 57° 38° FRI 65° 36° SAT 68° 47° SUN 58° 54°

1:18 PM | PatientPoint

Reaching HCPs: ADA, OAFP, OOA



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Friday, February 7, 2025

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Promoting the distinctive philosophy and practice of osteopathic medicine in Ohio.

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- Support from a dedicated QI coach
- Improved patient care delivery

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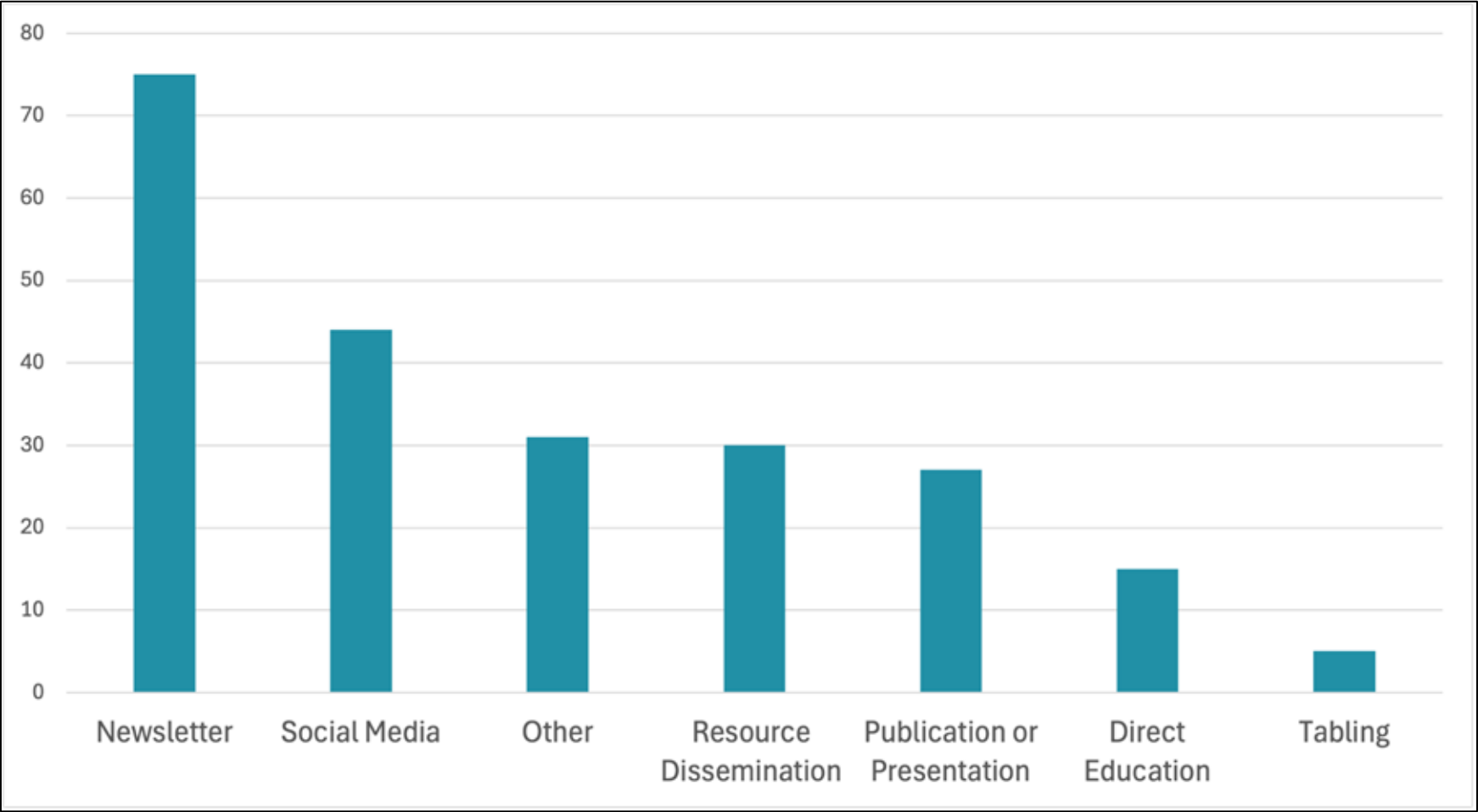
Keynote Speaker: David H. Holben, PhD, RDN, LD
The University of Mississippi



Outreach Events



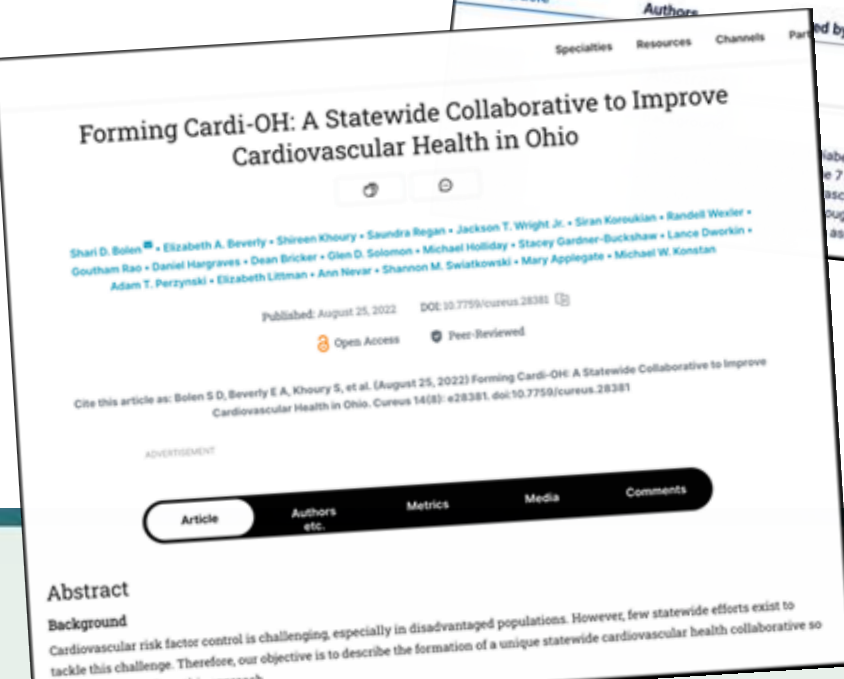
SFY25 Regional Dissemination Activities



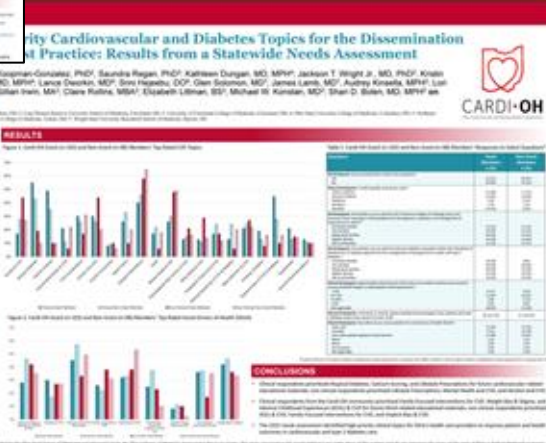
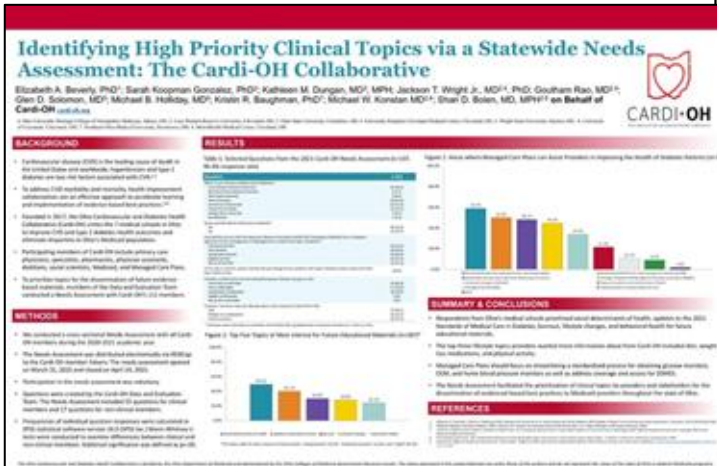
Publications



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Presentations



- Identifying High Priority Cardiovascular and Diabetes Topics for the Dissemination of Evidence-Based Best Practices: Results from a Statewide Needs Assessment (ADA 83rd Annual Scientific Sessions; June 2023, San Diego, CA)
- Expanding a Medicaid-Funded Statewide Collaborative to Include Diabetes Outcomes (SGIM Annual Meeting; May 2023, Aurora, CO)
- Cardi-OH Formation and Reach: A Statewide Cardiovascular and Diabetes Health Collaborative (AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting; June 2022, Washington, DC)
- Cardi-OH Formation and Reach: A Statewide Cardiovascular Health Collaborative (SGIM Annual Meeting; April 2022, Orlando, FL)
- Identifying High Priority Clinical Topics via a Statewide Needs Assessment: The Cardi-OH Collaborative (Association of Diabetes Education and Care Specialists Annual Conference; August 2021, Virtual Conf)
- A Statewide Needs Assessment to Inform Best Practices for the Ohio Cardiovascular and Diabetes Health Collaborative (ADA 81st Scientific Sessions; June 2021, Virtual Conf)
- Ohio Cardiovascular Health Collaborative Needs Assessment Results (SGIM Annual Meeting; May 2020, Virtual Conf)

In Summary



- Cardi-OH's ECHO Clinics and evidence-based library has built capacity to manage cardiovascular conditions for Medicaid enrollees.
- The Cardi-OH ECHO QI Series has further demonstrated successful improvement in cardiovascular outcomes and coaching skills.
- Cardi-OH has successfully reached and engaged thousands of primary care team members using multiple dissemination modalities.
- The impact of this work will reverberate for many years to come and seed other initiatives for even greater impact.



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Chat Activity #3



What's one thing from Cardi-OH
that you will carry forward in your future work?

Words of Wisdom

“Ultimately, the secret of quality [or a good collaborative] is love . . . If you have love, you can then work backward to monitor and improve the system.”

- Avedis Donabedian, MD, MPH
health systems research pioneer



<https://www.michiganmedicine.org/health-lab/how-love-and-landmark-paper-improved-health-care>



Regional Celebrations



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