

**COLLABORATING  
EFFORTS TO  
IMPROVE  
HYPERTENSION IN  
AMERICAN INDIAN/  
ALASKA NATIVE  
PATIENTS AT SNAHC**

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# OBJECTIVES

- The learner will be able to apply the process of PHN/CHW program management including admission criteria, referrals, intake and home visit structure.
- The learner will be able to identify patient barriers to care using tools, relationship building and workbook activities.
- The learner will be able to improve PHN, CHW and health care provider communications at their clinic site and create a health home for patients.

# FORMATION OF PHN/CHW HOME VISITATION PROGRAM

- Data collected from UDS Reports, GPRA reports, Diabetes talking Circle Surveys and SNAHC staff surveys to identify high risk patients
- Admission criteria determined/policy and procedure created
- PHN case management implemented during clinic visits, telephone calls and home visits
- PHN and CHW collaborate to provide program sustainability

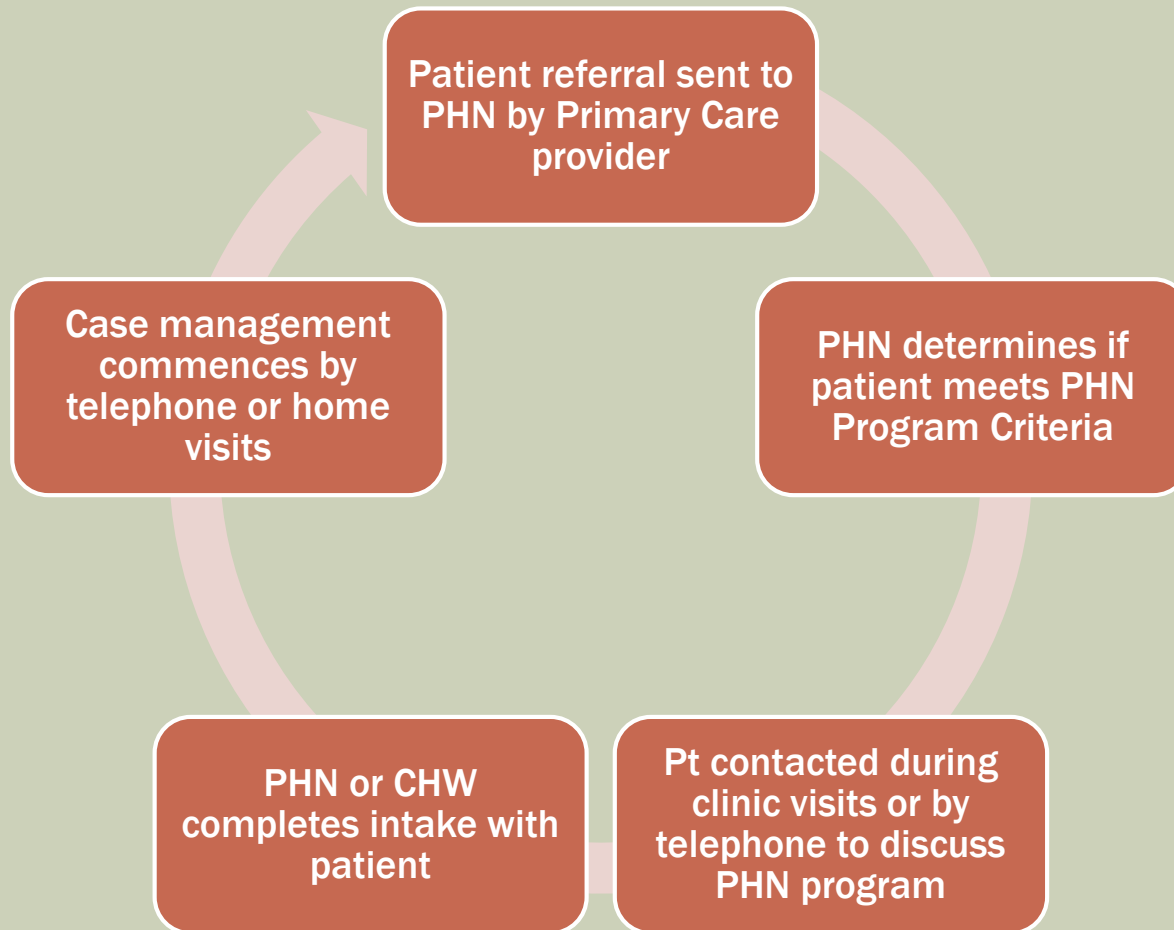
# PHN CASE MANAGEMENT ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Must be registered as a patient at SNAHC
- AI/AN
- Have a diagnosis of hypertension with multiple cardiovascular disease risk factors
- Referred by Primary Care Provider

# PHN PROGRAM INTAKE

- Care agreement reviewed and signed by patient.
- Case management needs assessment completed.
- Short and long term goals established using a high blood pressure and diabetes plan.

# PHN AND CHW WORKFLOW



# IDENTIFYING AND DECREASING PATIENT BARRIERS TO CARE

## ■ Tools

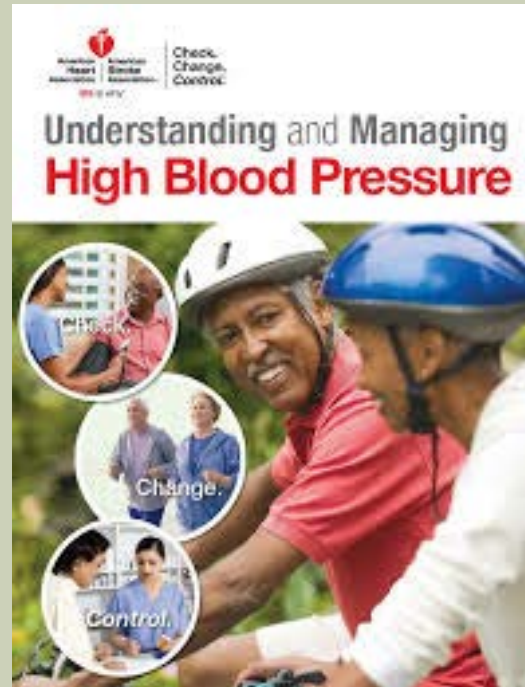
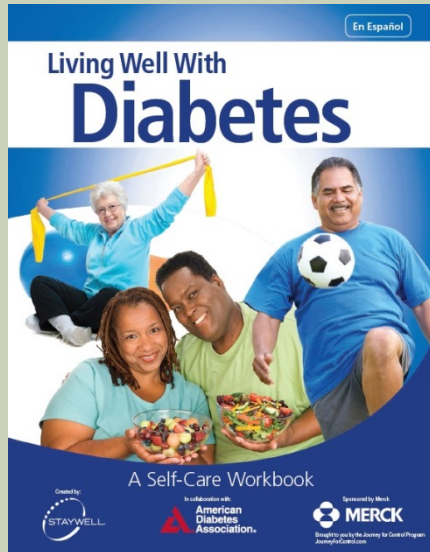
- IHS Food Insecurity Tool
- Budgeting

## ■ Worksheets and Workbooks

- American Association of Diabetes Educators Self-care Behaviors worksheets
- American Heart Association Workbook
- American Diabetes Association Workbook

## ■ Relationship Building

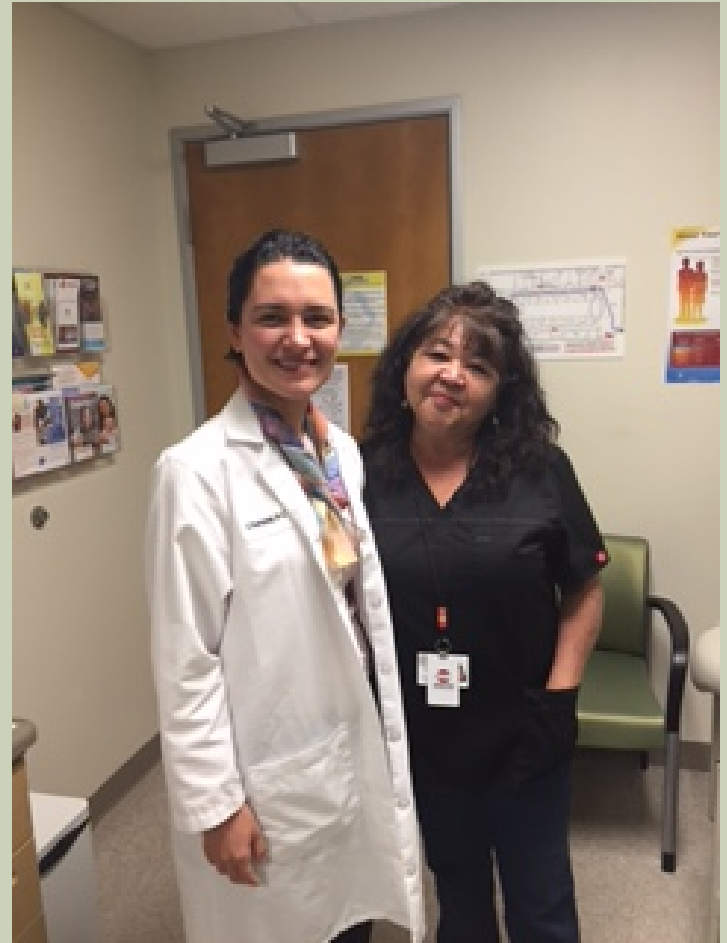
# TOOLS AND WORKBOOKS





# IMPROVING COMMUNICATION

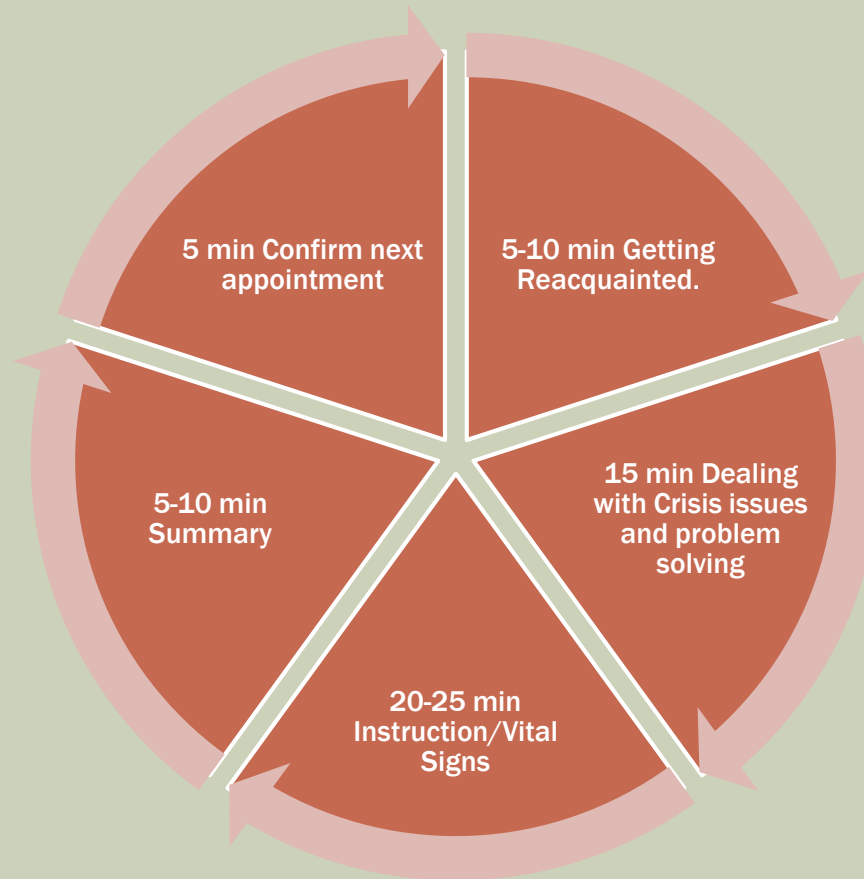
- Prepare a list of questions prior to provider appointments.
- Accompany clients during appointments.
- Attend morning huddle in Medical Department.
- Review provider instructions during home visits.



# HOME VISIT



# THE HOME VISITING “HOUR” COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER AND PHN GUIDELINE TO HOME VISITS



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# GROWTH OF PHN PROGRAM WITH CHW IN 2016

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov	Dec
<b>Total # Patients Encounters</b>	23	49	69	61	58	75	90	97	77	115	77	103
<b>Total # Primary Care Visits</b>	23	12	10	8	10	8	19	18	5	16	15	14
<b>Total # PHN Office Visits</b>						4	2	2	3	4	2	8
<b>Total # Warm Handoffs</b>	23	12	10	8	10	8	19	18	5	16	15	14
<b>Total # Home Visits by PHN</b>	-	6	13	12	8	12	5	11	17	21	8	19
<b>Total # Home Visits by CHW</b>							3	1	7	8	6	8
<b>Total # No shows Home Visits</b>						2	1	1	1	0	0	0
<b>Total # of Phone Calls</b>	9	30	36	33	30	41	54	46	32	52	37	45
<b>Total # of participants in Talking Circle/Support Group</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	14 "Healthier Living" class	14 "Healthier Living" class				
<b>Total # of home blood pressure monitors distributed through PHN grant funding</b>								4	1	2	1	2

# BLOOD PRESSURE OUTCOMES

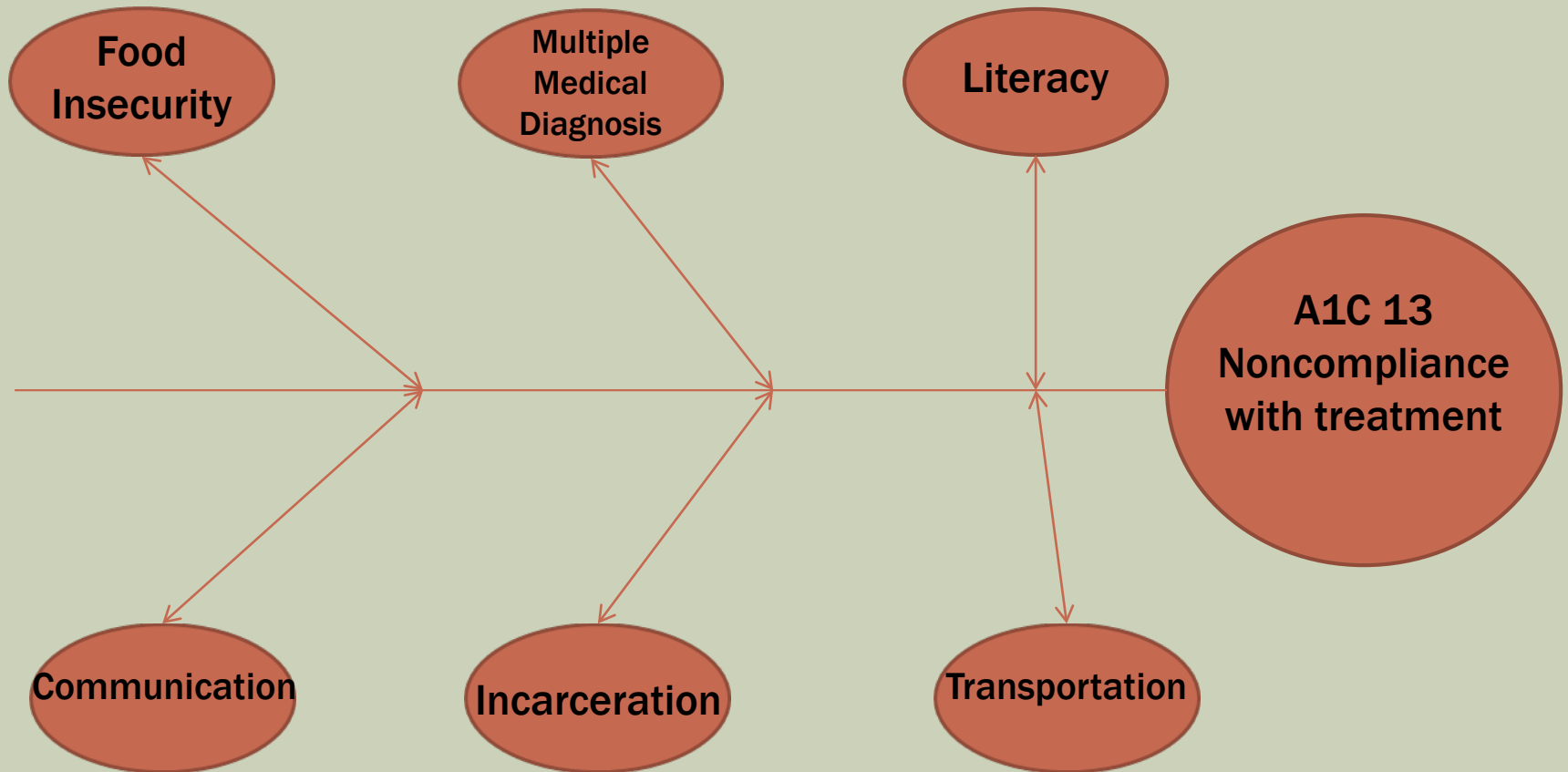
	Initial BP	BP after participating in program
Patient #1	190/89	136/78
Patient #2	160/90	127/83
Patient #3	162/105	136/82

# CASE STUDY

## Patient background

- Age: 50+ male patient
- Medical History of:
  - HTN
  - DM 2
  - Chronic viral Hep C (treated prior)
  - Severe Mental Health DX
  - Hyperlipidemia
  - Obesity
  - Noncompliance with therapy.
- Intervention Strategy: First home visit on 6/30/2016. Public Health Nurse visits on Tuesdays. Community Health Worker visits Thursdays.

# CASE STUDY



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