**Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center**

**Spotlight: Selecting an Integration Model**

[Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center,](https://www.pvhmc.org/) a non-profit hospital/health system with locations in Riverside, San Bernadino and Los Angeles counties, recently made the decision to implement the [Primary Care Behavioral Health (PCBH) model](https://www.cfha.net/learn-network/primary-care-behavioral-health/) of integrated care. This strategic move is driven by several key factors:

* Ability to reach all patients – the goal of Pomona Valley’s integrated care is to target all patients with behaviorally influenced conditions of care; PCBH targets the entire practice population.
* Behavioral health integration experience – PBCH requires behavioral health providers to provide brief, evidence-based interventions to patients who present for a primary care visit. Additionally, PBCH behavioral health providers frequently provide consultation to primary care providers. Oftentimes BH providers take some time to adapt to this new way of delivering care. Fortunately, Pomona Valley has a behavioral health provider experienced in integration, who can help lead implementation as well as training and onboarding for additional providers.
* Cross-organizational project support – Pomona Valley regularly brings together leaders from clinic administration, behavioral health, operations, and data. It is with this cross-disciplinary perspective that the decision for PCBH was made, and will be rolled out at the pilot clinic site.

*What’s next around integration?*

* Addressing Capacity Challenges - The team recognizes that the clinic demand may quickly overtake their capacity, and so are exploring working with local graduate schools to identify partnerships for training behavioral health interns.