

# A Guide to Mountain/Plains Clinical Network (MPCN)



*The Mountain/Plains Clinical Network (MPCN) is a program of CHAMPS that encompasses all health care providers working at Region VIII community, migrant and homeless health centers, and also includes National Health Service Corps (NHSC) participants working in Region VIII (CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, WY).*

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## Online Clinical Resources

Patient education tools including:

[Patient Education](#), [Patient Self-Management](#), [Well-Child](#), and [Wellness](#) handouts.

Disease/condition resources including:

[Chronic Pain](#), [Overweight and Obesity Treatment and Prevention](#), [Substance Use](#), and [Tobacco Cessation](#).

[Quick Reference Pocket Cards](#) including:

Oral Health, Dental Spanish, Medical Terminology, Medical Spanish, and Prescribing in Spanish.

Cross-disciplinary resources including:

[Cultural Competency Resources](#), [Migrant & Seasonal Farmworkers \(MSFW\) Resources](#), and [Spanish Language Resources for Health Professionals](#).

Quality improvement (QI) tools including:

[terms & acronyms](#), [strategizing resources](#), and [clinical flow sheets](#).

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## Continuing Medical Education (CME)

Distance learning and face-to-face trainings that provide CME are offered including:

- [Webcasts and teleconferences](#)
- [CHAMPS/NWRPCA Annual Primary Care Conference Clinical Track](#)
- [Leadership trainings](#)

### [Popular Clinical Resources](#)

### [Evidence-Based Clinical Guidelines](#)

### [Spanish Language Resources](#)

### [Patient Education Handouts](#)

### [Upcoming Webcasts & Teleconferences](#)

### [Well Child Education](#)

### [MPCN Mission](#)

The mission of MPCN is to facilitate the professional, administrative, and educational development of all Region VIII CHC providers to ensure the delivery of the highest quality of care, eliminate disparities, and increase access.

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## Networking Opportunities

Network with peers at the [CHAMPS/NWRPCA Annual Primary Care Conference](#) including the Clinicians' Roundtable session.

Network electronically via the [CHAMPS Clinicians Listserv](#) which allows members to email questions, announcements, and best practices to clinicians throughout Region VIII.

Contact [Shannon@champsonline.org](mailto:Shannon@champsonline.org) to become a member of the CHAMPS Clinicians Listserv.

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## MPCN Steering Committee

The [MPCN Steering Committee guides](#) the development of CHAMPS' clinical programs to ensure the programs meet the needs and challenges of MPCN. The MPCN Steering Committee is comprised of up to four members from each of the six states in Region VIII:

- two medical providers
- one oral health provider
- one behavioral health provider, and
- one health promotion/disease prevention specialist from the Region

The [MPCN Steering Committee meets](#) every other month by conference call and once a year in person.

Serving on the MPCN Steering Committee is a great opportunity for providers to gain professional committee experience, network with peers and colleagues, and provide input into CHAMPS programs and services.

**Positions on the MPCN Steering Committee are open!**

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## Ways to Stay Active in MPCN

Check with CHAMPS to make sure you are in the [Region VIII Clinicians Database](#) to receive relevant email notices and event announcements.

Inform CHAMPS of [new clinician hires](#) so they can receive the [CHAMPS Welcome Packet](#).

Join the [CHAMPS Clinicians Listserv](#) to network and share information with peers.

Join the [MPCN Steering Committee](#) and/or share your ideas for programs, products, or services with CHAMPS or an MPCN Steering Committee member.

Visit the [CHAMPS website](#) at [www.champsonline.org](http://www.champsonline.org) to find available resources, educational activities, products, and services.

Contact [Shannon Kolman, CHAMPS Clinical Programs Director](#), regarding any of the MPCN activities or resources, or with any questions, at 303-867-9583 or [Shannon@champsonline.org](mailto:Shannon@champsonline.org).

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