Integrated behavioral health

Many medical conditions are greatly affected by patients' mental health and behavioral choices. Physician-led primary care teams often must address many common mental health disorders, such as depression, anxiety and substance abuse. By bringing medical and behavioral health services together within primary care, the team is better able to meet both the mental and physical health needs of the patient.

That's why the AMA continues to provide physician practices with tools and practical solutions to integrate these two crucial areas of care into one.

BHI Collaborative

The AMA and seven leading medical associations have established the Behavioral Health Integration (BHI) Collaborative, a group dedicated to catalyzing effective and sustainable integration of behavioral and mental health care into physician practices.

With a focus on primary care, the Collaborative is committed to ensuring a professionally satisfying, sustainable physician practice experience and will act as a trusted partner to help them overcome the obstacles that stand in the way of meeting their patients’ mental and behavioral health needs.

Compendium of BHI resources for physician practices

A Compendium has been developed by the BHI Collaborative as a tool for physicians and their practices to learn about and implement BHI.