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## *Integration of Funding & Alignment of Performance Measures*

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### **Summary of Recommendations**

1. Conduct a formal needs assessment to assess parity and the use of performance measures across health care organizations, state government entities, and health insurance payers.
2. Pilot integration models in different health care settings to study the impact on health care delivery funding and any improvement on established performance measures.

### Comments from breakout sessions on 9-12-23:

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### Full Interim recommendations

This Workgroup proposes the following recommendations:

- Conduct a formal needs assessment to assess: 1) the parity of covered services by Vermont's health insurance payers, 2) use of performance measures across health care organizations, state government entities, and health insurance payers. This assessment would also include a focus on:
  - Financial, quality, policy, and legal issues,
  - Existing services covered by health insurance payer and any gaps in services due to lack of coverage or limited coverage, and
  - Use of medical billing codes that assist with receiving integrated care and provide a method for measuring the delivery of integrated care.
- Pilot integration models in different health care settings and use associated resources, in order to study the impact on health care delivery funding and any improvement on established performance measures. Some example models for a pilot that have been identified through the MHIC include:
  - University of Washington Advancing Integrated Mental Health Solutions in Integrated Care (AIMS) Center: [AIMS Center | Advancing Integrated Mental Health Solutions in Integrated Care \(uw.edu\)](#)
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Academy Integrating Behavioral & Primary Care: [Integrating Behavioral Health & Primary Care | AHRQ Academy](#)

These recommendations would provide an opportunity to better understand the barriers that Vermonters face when accessing integrated care, as well as the challenges Vermont health care providers experience in attempts to offer integrated care, through a data-driven, standardized approach to assess the impact of any associated efforts.