



**Statement of Collaboration:**

**Outlining Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions Collaborations with Community Partners**

**Description of Project ECHO®**

The mission of Project Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO®) at the University of Wyoming, Wyoming Center on Aging (WyCOA) is to develop the capacity to safely and effectively manage geriatric care in rural and underserved areas. In pursuit of this mission, faculty, staff and partners participating in the Project ECHO® have dedicated themselves to de-monopolizing knowledge to expand access to best-practice medical care in Wyoming, across the United States and globally.

**Commitment to Collaboration – Project ECHO®**

In the spirit of collaboration, WyCOA and Mountain-Pacific Quality Health are committed to work with community partners through Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions. We will do the following for those partnering with us on Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions:

1. Provide Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit from the Colorado Medical Society at no cost for participating in the University of Wyoming (UW) Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions sessions (1 hour = 1 CME credit) conducted via teleconference. In addition, continuing education will be provided for nursing from the Wyoming Hospital Association, Pharmacy from WPharma, Psychology from WPA, Social Work and other health care professionals and social service providers from WyCOA at no cost.
2. Provide routine, remote information technology (IT) user support to facilitate connectivity and participation.
3. Offer regular, didactic presentations on a wide range of disease states and medicine specialties.
4. Offer special curricula and training opportunities for various disease states and models of care delivery.
5. Review patient cases presented by clinicians at partnering clinics and provide timely, written recommendations.
6. Be available outside of teleconference times for emergent questions or issues, when possible and as necessary.

WyCOA and Mountain-Pacific Quality Health Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions key staff's contact information is listed below.

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### Commitment to Collaboration – Community Partner

In the spirit of collaboration, \_\_\_\_\_ (collaborating community partner) is committed to working with Project ECHO®. In this regard, this partner offers to:

1. Participate in bi-weekly Project ECHO® conferences by presenting cases, providing comments and asking questions. (We encourage participation by multi-level teams, including physicians, nurses, pharmacists, mental health providers, CNAs, therapists and other team members, when possible.)
2. Provide clinical updates and de-identified outcome data on patients, as needed.
3. Fill out periodic surveys to help improve services to clinicians and other partners.

Please list the key community partner staff members and their contact information. Please include anyone who will participate in or support Project ECHO® in Rural/Frontier Care Transitions at your site. Staff members usually include a clinician (physician or mid-level provider), support staff (RN, MA or Community Health Worker), IT person and administrator(s):

Name	Role/Title	Phone	Email

Please have a representative of your organization sign below, indicating you agree to the terms in this statement of collaboration.

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Signature of Representative

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Typed/Printed Name of Representative