

## Health Equity Practice Roundtable

### DISCUSSION GUIDE DRAFT

**PRACTICE ROUNDTABLE OBJECTIVE:** The main objective of the roundtable is to provide input into the development of resources for practices to support their efforts in addressing health equity in their communities. Framing questions below are intended to inform the development of health equity resources for practices to address related challenges and the need to share data, and ideas and goals to address the communities' social determinants of health.

#### *What potential health equity resources can be developed to support practices?*

##### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Virtual symposium –The Role of Engaging Community Resources in Addressing Health Equity

##### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- What lessons would you want to share with practices considering how to address health equity concerns?
  - What decision-making process should practices go through before addressing health equity concerns?
  - How do practices (particularly small, independent ones) identify social resources for their patients?
  - How do practices know which resources are effective?
  - How do practices identify patterns of need in their community?
  - How do practices engage community-based organizations (CBOs) in their geographical areas to facilitate referrals?
  - Assuming at least some social resources and CBOs are present in every community, how do practices make it easier for patients to know of, as well as feel comfortable asking for and receiving services from, these resources?
  - Other
- Who are the potential speakers for a virtual symposium (symposium)?
- What are the suggested times and length for the symposium?
- What are the best dates for the symposium?
- How would you recommend the Maryland Health Care Commission distribute the symposium information to practices?

##### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Public service announcement (PSA) in collaboration with a statewide grocery store chain on a topic such as assistance for social needs

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Who are the potential speakers for a PSA?
- What topics should be focused on in the PSA?
- What geographic areas should be focused on for airing the PSA?
- How would you recommend the Maryland Health Care Commission distribute information about the PSA to practices?