

ACHN Questions and Answers - Updated 10/3/18

	Issue	Question	Response
1	Governing Board	How do physicians apply to be on the governing board of the ACHN entity and who decides on the selection of these members?	Each ACHN will be responsible for policies and procedures regarding the development of its governing board.
2	Governing Board	With regard to each ACHN's board, the PPT states that "hospitals can employ no more than one board physician per entity." How does this change the limit of two hospital-employed physicians per board?	The proposed board composition is intended to reflect several key components of the health care system. To have a qualifying board, both hospital positions would need to be filled. A. Hospital Positions: Hospitals can choose who fills the two hospital slots (administrator, physician, etc.) The two slots should represent more than one system if at all possible. B: Primary Care Physician positions: It is not required that hospitals employ any of the primary care physicians filling the primary care slots, but it is allowed for each hospital represented to employ one of the physicians filling a primary care slot. It is certainly allowable for the board to choose to increase their membership above the 12 minimum members; however, the ratios will need to be maintained. For example, doubling the number of hospital-associated slots would require a doubling of all the other slots on the board.
3	Governing Board	If an ACHN entity has three participating hospitals, can the board now have three hospital-employed physicians?	See above question
4	Governing Board	Alternatively, if an ACHN entity has only one participating hospital, is the PCCM entity limited to one hospital-employed physician?	See above question
5	Governing Board	Can one hospital serve on multiple boards in different regions?	No. They may only serve on a board in the region in which they are located.

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6	Governing Board	Please provide clarification on the governance allowance that allows up to 2 of the primary care physicians to be employed by a hospital. Why is this allowance limited to hospital employed primary care physicians?	The goal in constructing the ACHN boards is to reflect the impact various provider groups have on the populations included in the ACHN. Physicians and hospitals are major provider groups, both in terms of large numbers of individuals served and in terms of agency budgetary impact. Other critical groups are also included on the ACHN boards: Federally Qualified Health Centers, Community Mental Health Centers, Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities, and Consumers. In order to maintain a judicious board size, but to also reflect the relative impact on Medicaid's recipients and budget, the decision was made to allow only hospitals to, in addition to their two hospital positions, employ two of the primary care physicians filling the primary care board positions.
7	Governing Board	Can the medical director for the ACHN serve on the ACHN board?	Yes.
8	Governing Board	For the ACHN board, may the FQHC representative be a physician who also satisfies one of the required primary care board positions? If so, can the board have fewer than 12 members/directors?	No. The FQHC representative cannot satisfy the required primary care board position. The minimum number for the board is 12 members.
9	Governing Board	Can a medical director be a medical director in two different regions?	No. The Medical Director must practice medicine in the region they serve. If the Medical Director practices in more than one region, they will only be eligible to serve (as Medical Director) in the region of their main practice site.