

## Primary Care Principles (revised draft)

### Characteristics of a high-functioning primary care-based healthcare system:

1. There is universal access to primary care for Vermonters.
2. Interdisciplinary teams are integral to a primary care-based health care system.
3. A broad scope of primary care services is available in local communities.
4. Quality measures and other metrics are aligned to limit administrative burden.
5. Investment prioritizes long-term population health, not short-term cost reduction.
6. Reform efforts use healthcare dollars effectively, not increasing the overall cost of the system.
7. Patients have accessible specialty care that is closely integrated with their PCPs.
8. Sufficient workforce is present to meet primary care needs.
9. Payment models should include all payers, be accessible to all practice types, and increase primary care investment over time.