

Diabetes Management is Vizient Southern States' 2018 Outstanding Collaborative of the Year

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ATLANTA, Georgia— On May 1, the Diabetes Management Collaborative was awarded Outstanding Collaborative of the Year by Vizient Southern States.

Goals of the collaborative included reducing readmissions, average length of stay (ALOS), emergency department revisits and insulin adverse drug events (ADE) for their hospitals' diabetes populations.

Using evidence-based strategies and process improvements focused on diabetes management across the care continuum, participants delivered **\$8,052,138** in documented value for 2018. This total was collectively achieved by **56 percent** of the group, who gave the collaborative a **94 percent** approval rating.

"Through our relationship with Vizient Southern States, we have been able to network with our colleagues and also share our Diabetes Prevention Program. It was helpful to build upon established partnerships with organizations such as the Department of Public Health, among others, who all share our passion for the prevention and reduction of diabetes complications," said Traci Tillery, Director of Nursing Specialty Services and Frances Willingham, Coordinator of Diabetes COE and Diabetes Prevention Program, Floyd Medical Center.

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