

# Strategic priorities

**Access.** Ensuring timely access to comprehensive, integrated and appropriate health services

**Prevention.** Promoting healthy community environments and behaviors

**Payment.** Encouraging payment models that drive cost-effective and evidence-based prevention and care

# Telehealth definition

- **No standard definition** for telehealth or telemedicine adopted in policy or practice.
- “Intended to increase access to care and improve health outcomes by overcoming geographic barriers to care through the use of information and communications technology (ICT)”
- “**Telehealth**” generally viewed as being broader in scope than telemedicine.

# HPIO's telehealth initiative



Neutral forum to convene and discuss telehealth policy development and implementation

# HPIO 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Telehealth Leadership Summit



# Telehealth policy developments

- Proposed revision of State Medical Board of Ohio rules on medication prescribing
- HB123 enacted requiring Medicaid to establish payment standards for “telehealth” services
- New Medicaid draft rule on payment for telemedicine services
- Plan to reintroduce telehealth payment legislation for private insurers