Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee

Listening Session Part 1 on Assessing Best Practices in Care Delivery for Population-Based TCOC Models

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Presentation: Lumeris Model and Total Cost of Care

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Lumeris Model and Total Cost of Care

EHI MO / IL

Dr. Deborah Zimmerman Corporate Chief Medical Officer

Lumeris Drivers and Outcomes

Essence Healthcare

64,000 Member MAPD Plan in MO/IL



Powered by deep expertise, enabling technology, analytics, playbooks, workflows, and continuous improvement.

DRIVERS



OUTCOMES - Triple Aim Plus One

Aligned Incentive Payer/ Employer Contracting

Effective Compensation & Incentives

Care Delivery Transformation & Delivery of Accountable Primary Care (Nine C's®)

Enterprise Engagement

Ideal Leadership & Organizational Structure

Powerful Technology & Information



Reduced Per Capita Costs of Care

26% lower costs vs. FFS Medicare



Improving the Health of Populations

Average of 4.5 Stars for the past twelve years, 5 Stars for 2022



Increasing Physician Engagement

89% of providers rate they are satisfied w/collaborative payer



Improving the Consumer Experience of Care

Highest consumer satisfaction



^{*}Health System, Facility, Others...

Essence Healthcare - A Collaborative Payer

Every member attributed to an accountable primary physician **PATIENT Every accountable** physician part of a group Every group in a value-based contract **PAYER**

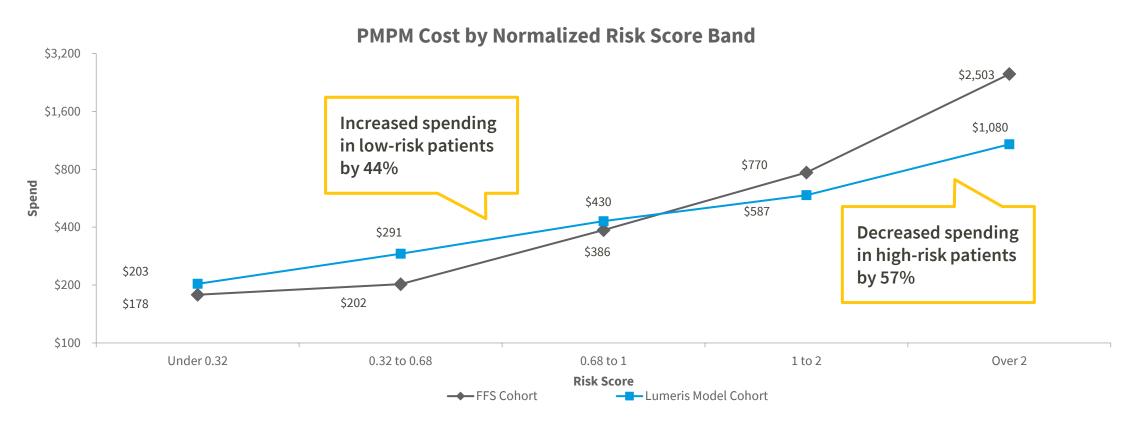
Best Practices in TCOC Alignment

- Primary Care providers must be aggregated into groups
- 100% of Primary care groups have TCOC incentives
- TCOC includes all costs Medical and Pharmacy, Capitated services, Reinsurance, Rebates
- TCOC incentives balanced with Quality and Access
- Complete transparency into cost of care
- EHI and Medical groups share in surplus for total alignment
- Level of risk varies depending on Medical group capabilities
- EHI invests in service to assist groups in managing population
 - Care Management
 - Physician Engagement staff
 - Medical Group Collaboration
 - Data and Analytics



Delivering Total Population Management

Decreased spend in high-risk patients through effective management of complex patients and **increased** spend in low-risk patients for preventive care to promote health and wellness.*







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Reducing Unnecessary Costs & Utilization

New care model shifts utilization to more appropriate sites of service compared to FFS Medicare.*



48% Reduced specialist spending



18% Fewer readmissions



26% lower costs



SNF costs **52%** lower



Outpatient facility surgery spending **1.5x** higher



Lowered inpatient costs by **23%**



Maintained **1.2% cost trend** vs. 4-5% national average*



Spending for primary care **34%** higher





Aligned Incentive Payer / Employer Contracting Effective Compensation and Incentives

Aligning value-based incentives at the group and individual levels is essential for transforming the business model.

Value-Based Contract Incentives

Evaluate organization's maturity along risk spectrum:

- Early incentives around behaviors necessary to manage populations
- Move to TCOC balanced with Quality and Access
- Collaborate on goal setting
- Evolve incentives to advance risk
- Complete transparency in performance and cost of care
- Leverage physician leadership as plan advisors

Value-Based Compensation

Align physician compensation with payer contract:

- Tie payment to measurable incentives
- Cost, quality, access, patient satisfaction, involve physicians
- Encourage team accountability with combination of group and individual incentives
- Differentiate high performance
- Advance over time
- Foster transparency and comparative performance
- Goal of 30-50% of compensation tied to value

OUTCOMES*

Upside only



Upside + downside risk with quality incentives



Care Delivery Transformation / Delivery of Accountable Primary Care

Population-based care is most effective when guided by physicians, supported by payers.

Care Delivery Model Design

- Define delivery of accountable primary care
- Leverage existing programs and resources
- Evaluate care team capabilities
- Use next generation analytics to define opportunities
- Develop population-specific programs

Care Management Programs

- Structure programs and support based on maturity
- Avoid duplication and redundancy
- E.g., Transition, Complex Case, Quality Campaigns
- Multidisciplinary team as needed
- Review program impact and adapt operations

OUTCOMES*



6-8% improvement in medication adherence



18% fewer readmissions compared to FFS Medicare



Deep Dive: Practice Transformation in Market

EHI provider engagement teams support physicians as they transition to a new care delivery model.

Nine C's & Act Visits

- Approx. 1 Population Health Manager per 20 practices
- Intro Meetings
- Understanding the contract/model
- Workflow analysis
- Introduction to the platform and Nine C's
- Performance reviews

Workflow Transformation

- Clinical nurse specialists focused on workflow transformation
- In-person observation of practice operations
- Recommendations tailored to capabilities, resources, Nine C's
- Leverage technology to reduce administrative burden

Physician Boot Camp

- One-day accountable physician training
- Transform into an Accountable practice
- Understand how to evaluate your performance
- Identify opportunities for improvement
- CME credit



Enterprise Engagement Ideal Leadership and Organization

The right network and governance structure help drive physician mind share and accountability—for new and existing provider groups.

Leadership and Network development

- Strategic commitment to value-based care
- Identify and mentor clinical leaders
- Ensure panel density and network adequacy
- High performing network or create "network within network"
- Identify variation and work to reduce over time

Organization

- Enact collaborative governance structure
- Leverage existing forums
- Set cadence for ongoing meetings and communication
- Review performance regularly, sharing best practices, shared accountability
- Align strategy and operations

OUTCOMES*



800+ physicians recruited to clinically integrated network including specialty and primary care, independent and employed physicians



Effective governance established medical director, POD, and JOC meetings to drive physician alignment

Defining the POD Governance and Leadership Structure

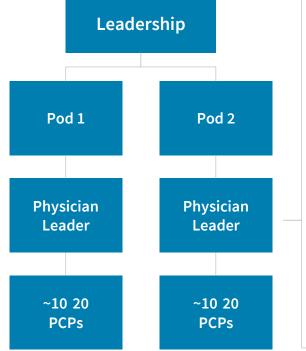
What is a POD?

- A Pod is a group of physician practices that share similarities around geographic region and/or patient panels
- All providers within the Pod will share a physician lead and population health manager
- Medical leadership aligned to Pods to provide oversight

Participation in a POD will:

- Promote best practice sharing amongst similarly structured provider groups
- Assess quality and cost performance among the group
- Identify operational success, opportunities, and barriers
- Drive data transparency and information usage

Example Physician Engagement Pod Structure Leadership



Pod Leader Attributes

- Well respected by peers
- Have the ability to influence behavior
- Early adopter of technology and processes
- Open and accepting to change
- Understanding and support for Value Based Care physician incentive models



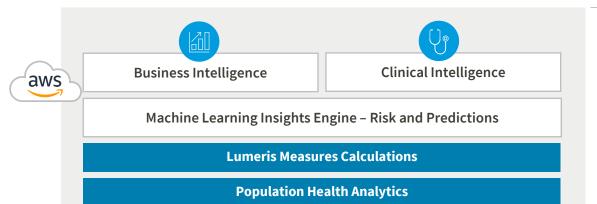
Powerful Technology and Information maestro





Population Health Executives

Clinicians & Care Team



Data Ingestion and Transformation







Data Sources

 $\textbf{EHR} \mid \textbf{Payor} \mid \textbf{HIE} \mid \textbf{Pharmacy} \mid \textbf{SDoH} \mid \textbf{Open Data} \mid \textbf{Devices} \mid \textbf{Consumer} \mid \textbf{Patient Communications}$









eClinicalWorks







EVENTS

- High risk discharges
- Overdue visits
- No-shows
- Open gaps in care
- Medication adherence issues
- Rising risk
- Inappropriate ED use
- Patient questions
- Etc.



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Presentation: Infrastructure for Innovation: Lessons from the Front Lines

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Infrastructure for Innovation: Lessons from the Front Lines

Health Information Exchange Health Data Utility

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Disclosures

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- Assistant Provost for Strategic Planning, OU Health Sciences Center
- Founder of MedUnison, LLC and developer of Doc2Doc
- Immediate Past Chair, Board of National Committee for Quality Assurance
- Board, Patient Centered Data Home, nationwide interoperability model

Experience with CMMI Models

Model	Roles	Timing
Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative (CPC Classic)	ConvenerNational FacultyData Aggregator	2012-2016
CPC+	Data AggregatorNational FacultyConvener	2017-2021
Accountable Health Communities	Principal InvestigatorBridging Organization	2016-2022
Primary Care First	 Event Alerting Proposed: Data Aggregator Social Determinants of Health Screening Convener 	2022-?

Model design: 1.

- Multi-payer models produce scale and reduce provider burden, but must be self-governed for commercial payers to trust them a.
- Consider including potential model participants in the model design process, piloting any complex process elements b.

2. Model execution:

- Scope of data available to providers is critical a.
- Patient attribution is a difficult concept for providers and is not accounted for in their internal analytics b.
- Provide Alerting services for Sentinel Events C.

3. Performance measurement and reporting:

- Community-wide quality measurement required for true performance results a.
- Incent providers to take on the sickest patients by measuring and rewarding *improvement* at the individual patient level rather b. than achievement of an arbitrary numerical goal on average.
- Use at least some common metrics across all models to facilitate comparisons C.
- More rapid interim and final results to avoid ending models and losing the investment in process and infrastructure d.

Model-specific feedback:

- CPC/CPC+: Effective care coordination requires HIE, electronic referral and consultation technology a.
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- All: Transformation takes time-progress appears to be proportional to dwell time d.

Infrastructure for Innovation:

- Common infrastructure required for most innovation models a.
- Starting up and winding down is expensive and wastes model time and resources b.
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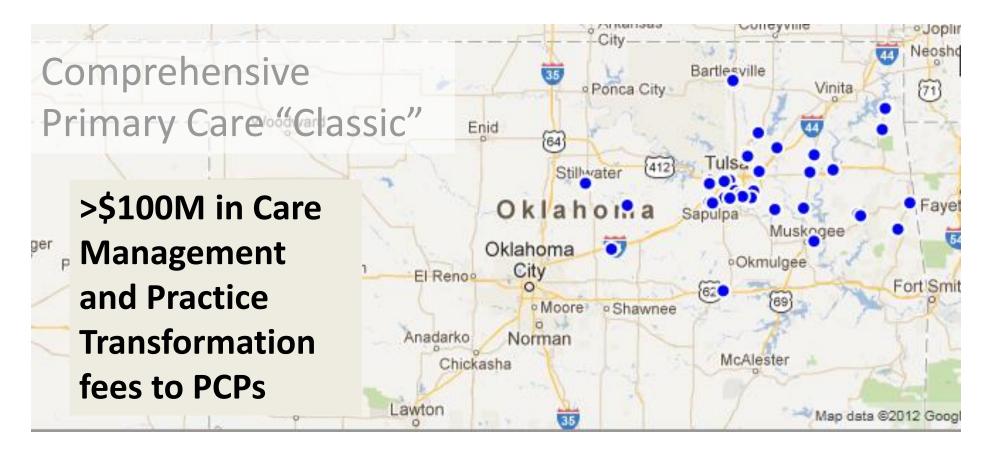
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- 68 practices, 265 docs
- OK Payers require
 MyHealth Participation
- >30 hospitals affiliated

- Four payers (BCBS, CCOK, Medicaid, Medicare)
- >90% of covered lives
- Shared savings Y3-4



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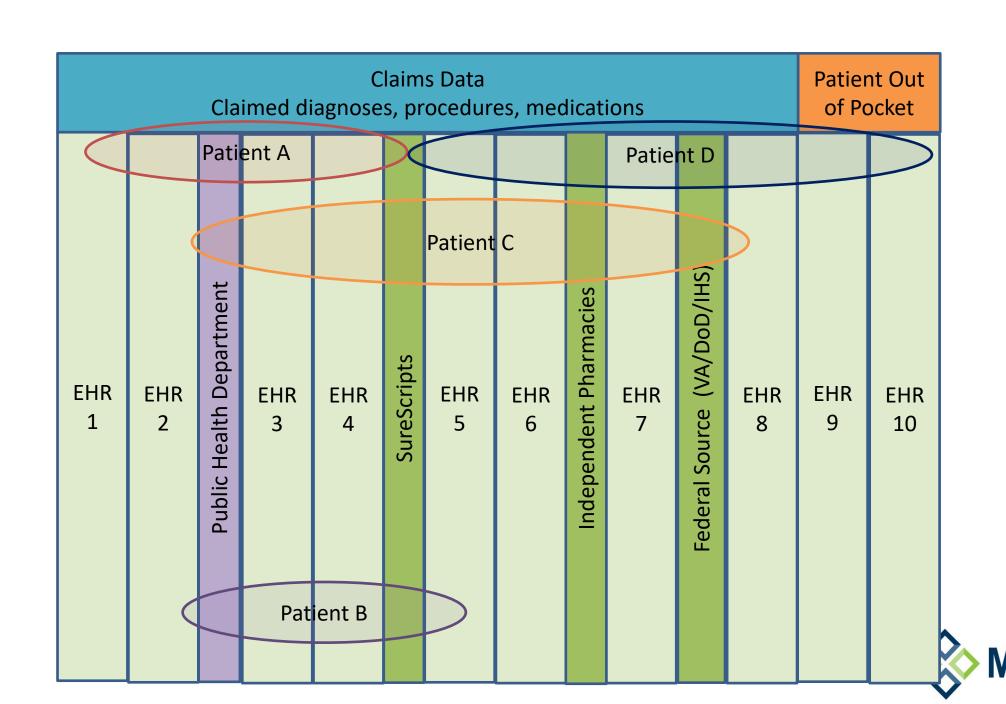
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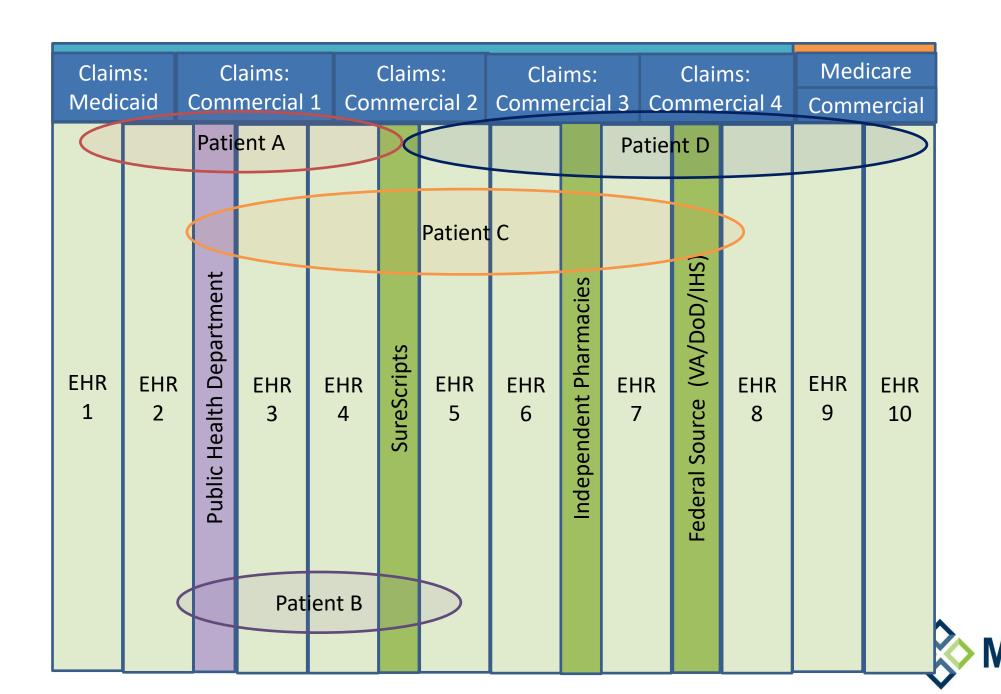
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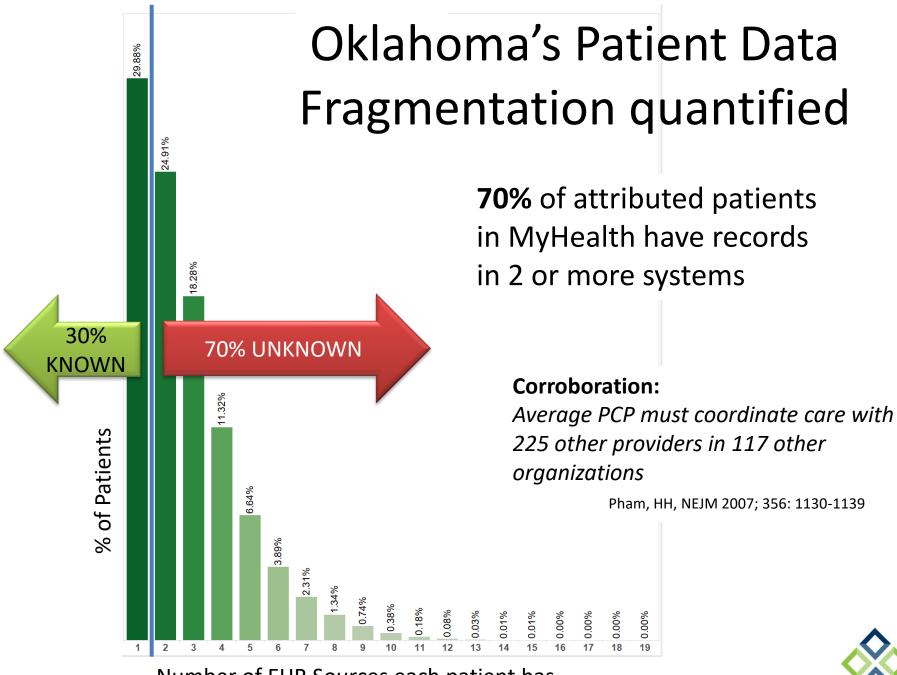
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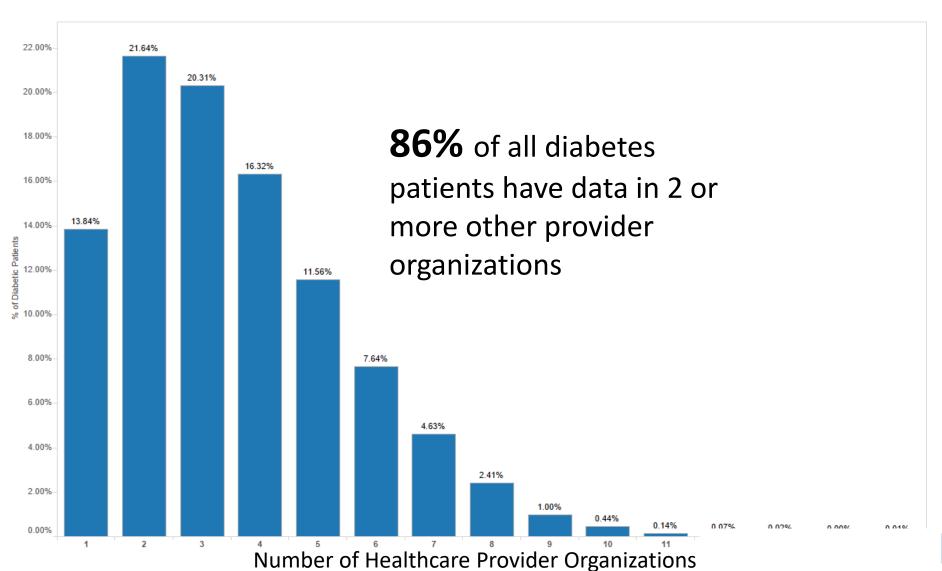


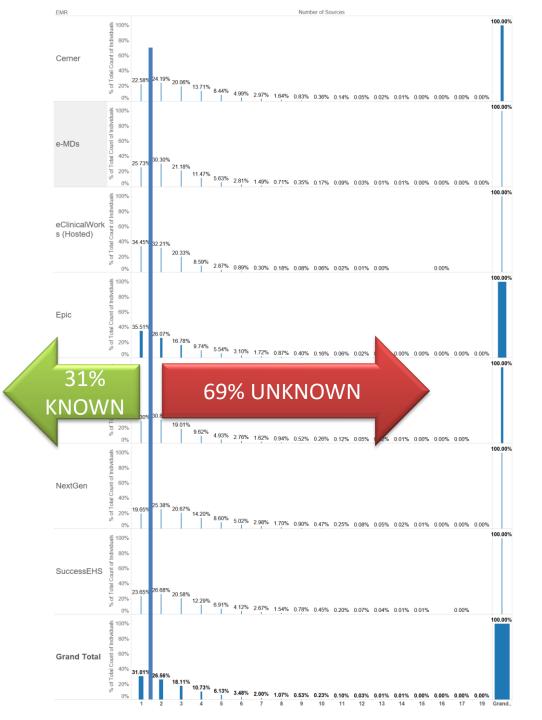


Number of EHR Sources each patient has



Diabetes patients with records elsewhere



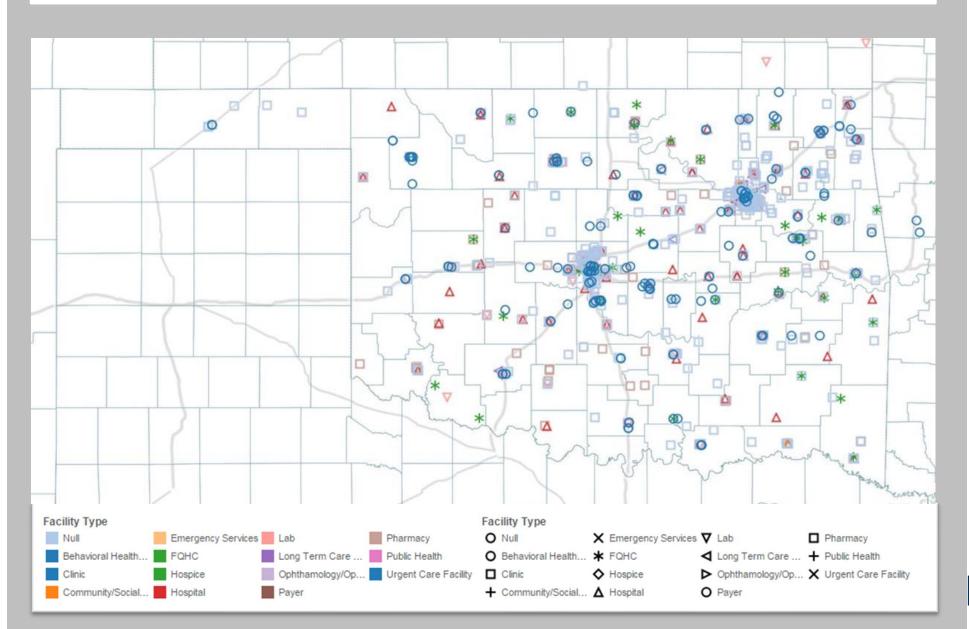


Data fragmentation by EHR Vendor



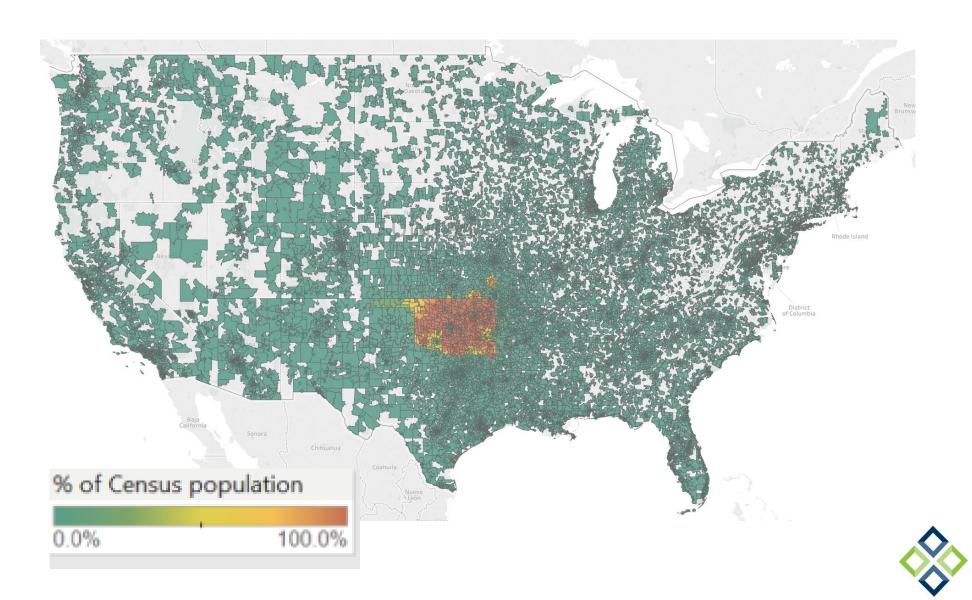


>1400 locations serving >110,000 patients daily

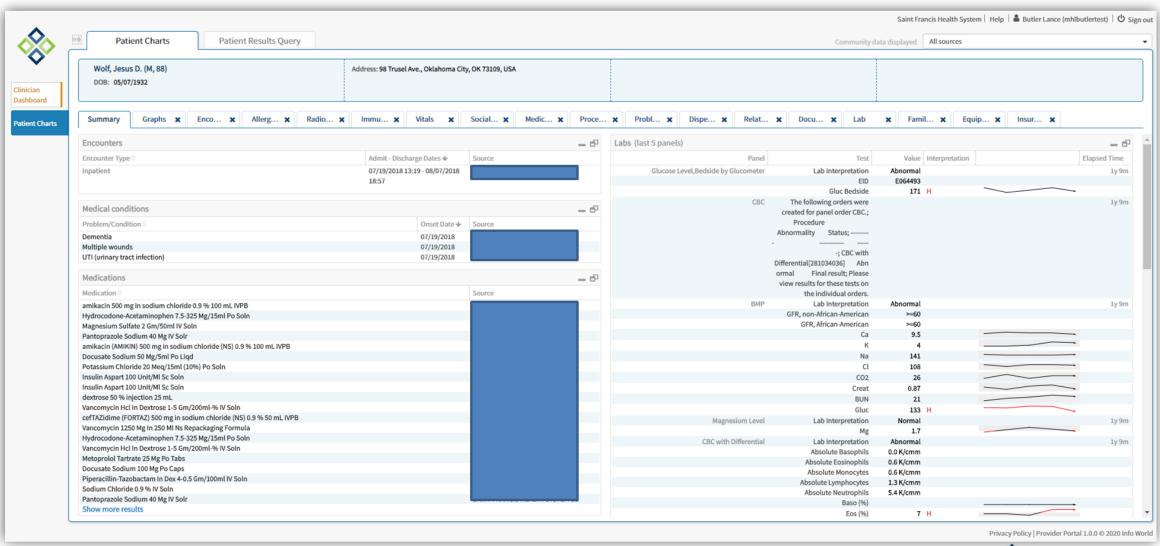




MyHealth Patient Population



MyHealth Provider Portal + FHIR API



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Who are my patients?

Attribution can be confusing, but is critical to understand . . .

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		Payer 2 attribution					
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			Payer 4 attribution				



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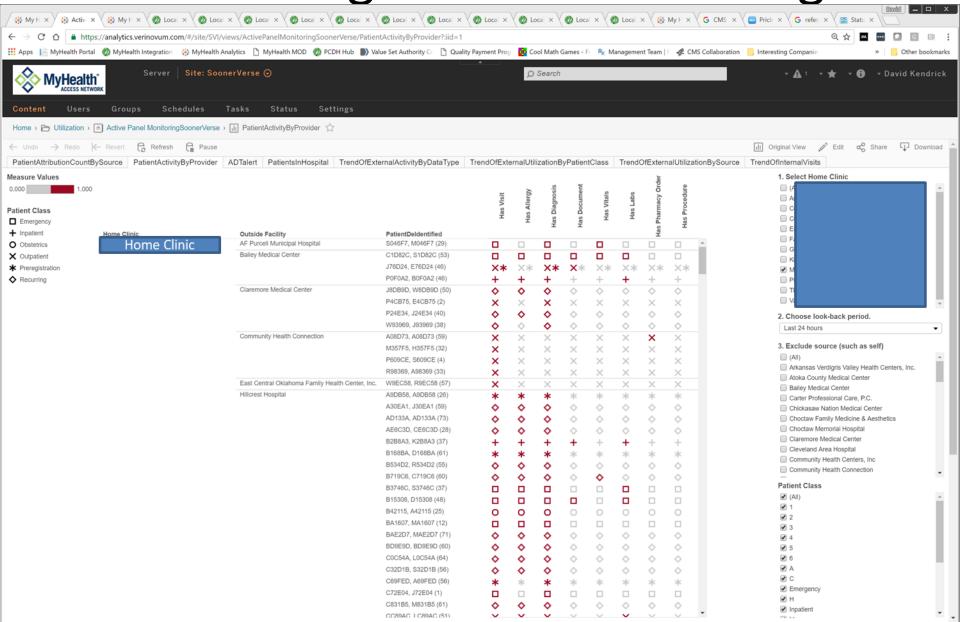
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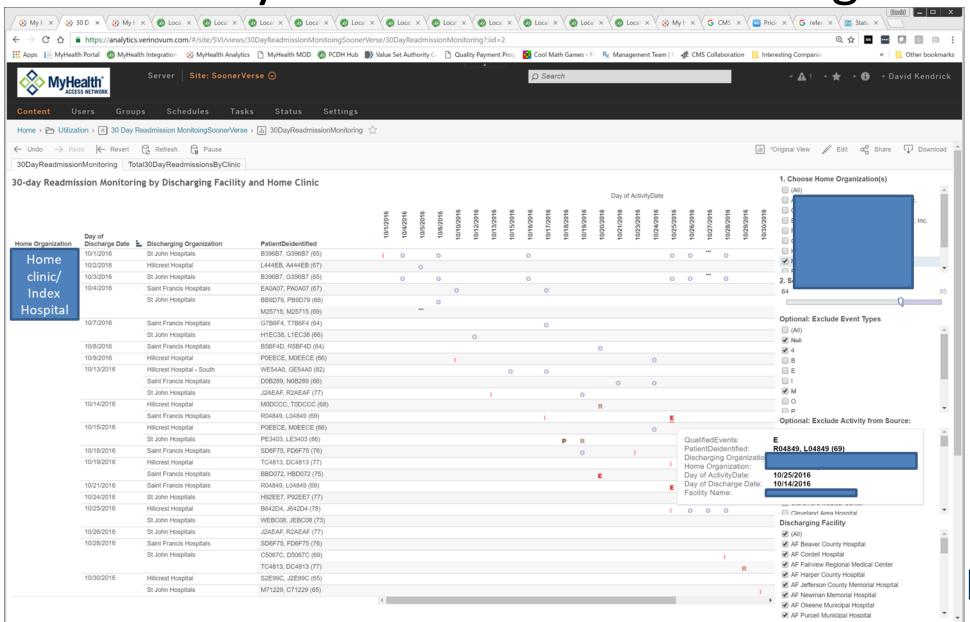


Care Fragmentation Alerting





30-day readmission monitoring





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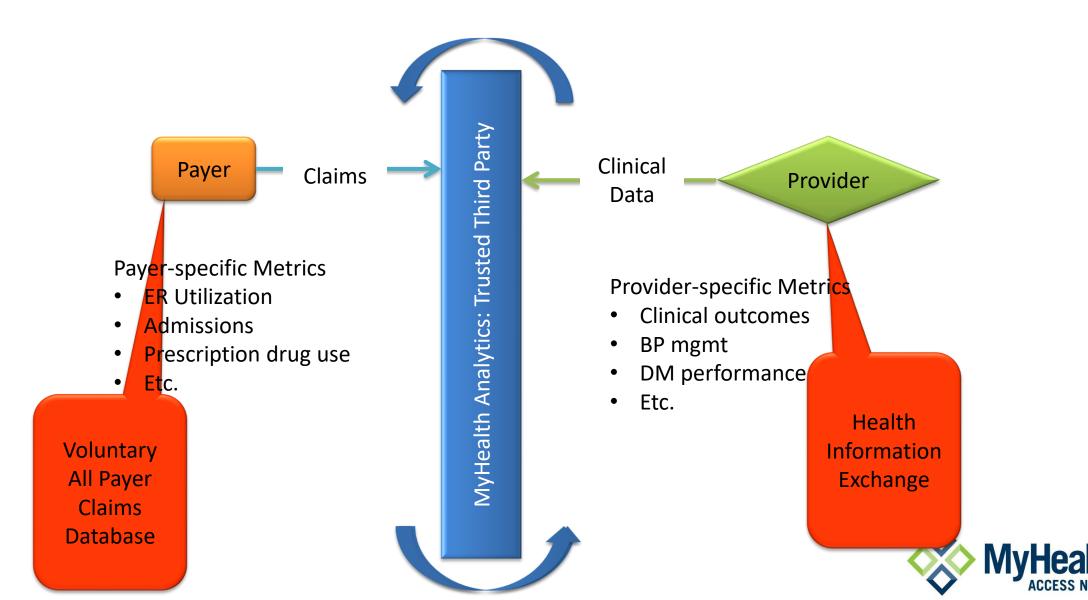
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Trusted 3rd Party for Measurement



Example: HbA1c control— what is the correct answer for each provider? Patient? Payer?

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Take 3 diabetes measures: 1) Appropriate Testing, 2) Control <8, 3) Out of Control >9

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Take 3 Diabetes Measures:

	Appropriate	DM in control	DM out of
Source	HbA1c Testing	(A1c<8)	control (A1c>9)
EHR 1	0%	NA	NA
EHR 2	100%	0%	100%
EHR 3	66%	50%	50%
EHR 4	100%	33%	33%
EHR 5	33%	100%	0%
EHR 6	100%	50%	0%
EHR 7	50%	0%	100%
EHR 8	50%	0%	100%
EHR 9	100%	0%	0%
EHR 10	0%	NA	NA
VA/DoD/IHS	100%	50%	50%
Population:	?	?	?

Payers will get multiple scores on the same patient—what do they do with that?

Looking at populations, we cannot roll these up . . .

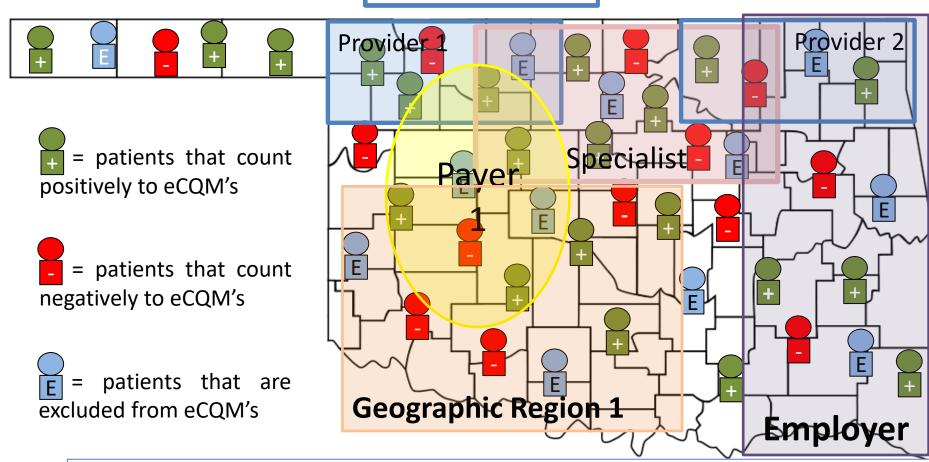
Isn't this what we really want to know?

	Appropriate	DM in control	DM out of control	
Patient	HbA1c Testing	(A1c<8)	(A1c>9)	
Patient A:	100%	0%	0%	
Patient B:	100%	100%	0%	
Patient C:	100%	100%	0%	
Patient D:	100%	0%	0%	
Population:	100%	50%	0%_	



Patient-centric measurement

Measure once, reuse many times for many perspectives . . .



eCQM's calculated in real time based on changes in a patients cross-community data by placing a box around any portion of a population.

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CPC+ Expenditures by Product Line





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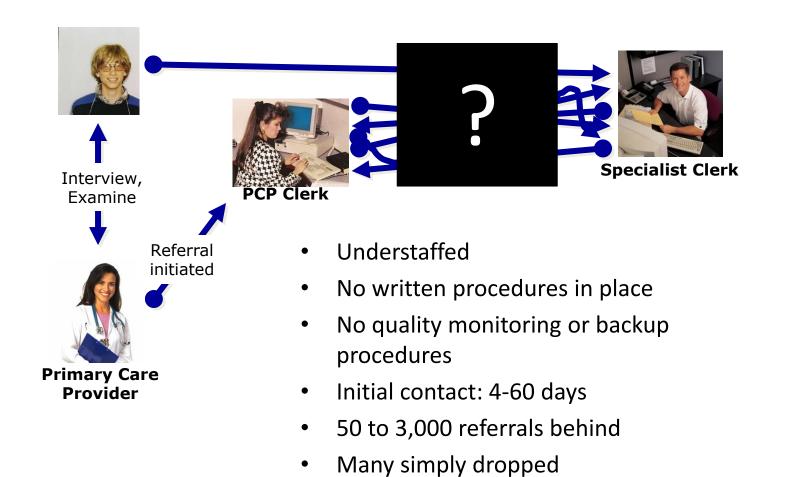
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Pre-Community-Wide Care Transition Management

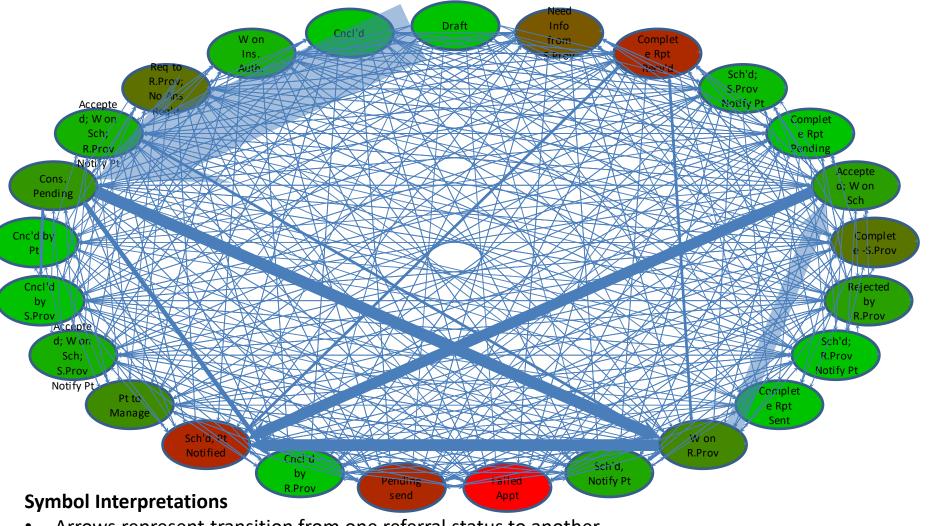




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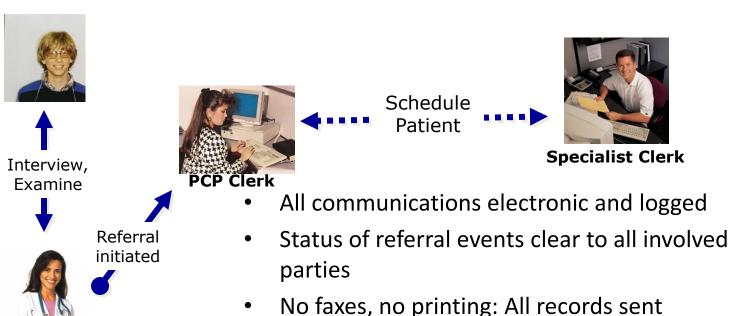
ALL Observed Transitions Between Visit Request Statuses



- Arrows represent transition from one referral status to another
- Arrow thickness is proportional to # of transitions
- Status color represents relative length of time consults remain in each status (compared to others in this subset): red = longest; green = shortest
- Status states are abbreviated



Community-wide Care Transitions Process



Primary Care

Provider

- No faxes, no printing: All records sent
- electronically to receiving provider
- Sending providers given the software, trained in 0.5 days
- Enables sending and receiving provider to meet meaningful use for care coordination, with or without an HIE

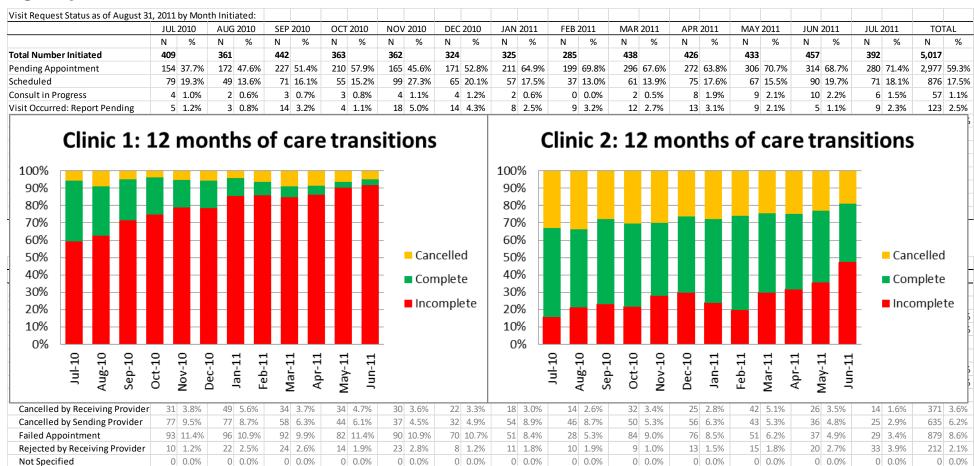


Specialist Physician



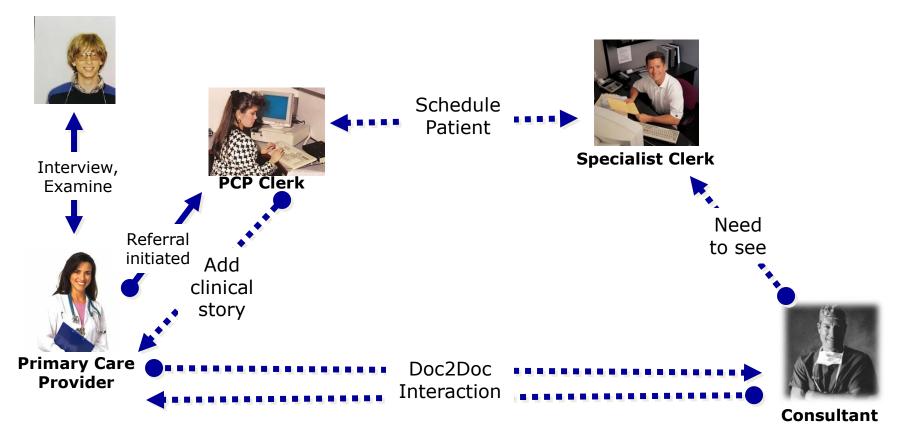
Results: A Tale of Two Clinics

Clinic 1:





eConsultations to optimize care transitions





Results: eConsultations in Medicaid

- Patients receiving an online consult had a significant reduction in PMPM cost of care when compared with themselves as historical controls:
 - \$140.53 Pre Consult vs. \$78.16 Post Consult
 - Net savings of \$62.37, p=0.021
- Compared with patients who received a referral but NOT a consult:

Cost Type	Mean PMPM	Mean Percentage
	Cost Change	Change
Facility Costs (UB92)	-\$13.00	-20%
Professional Costs (HCFA 1500)	-\$108.04	-34%
Pharmacy Costs (PBM)	-\$9.14	-14%
Total Costs	-\$130.18	



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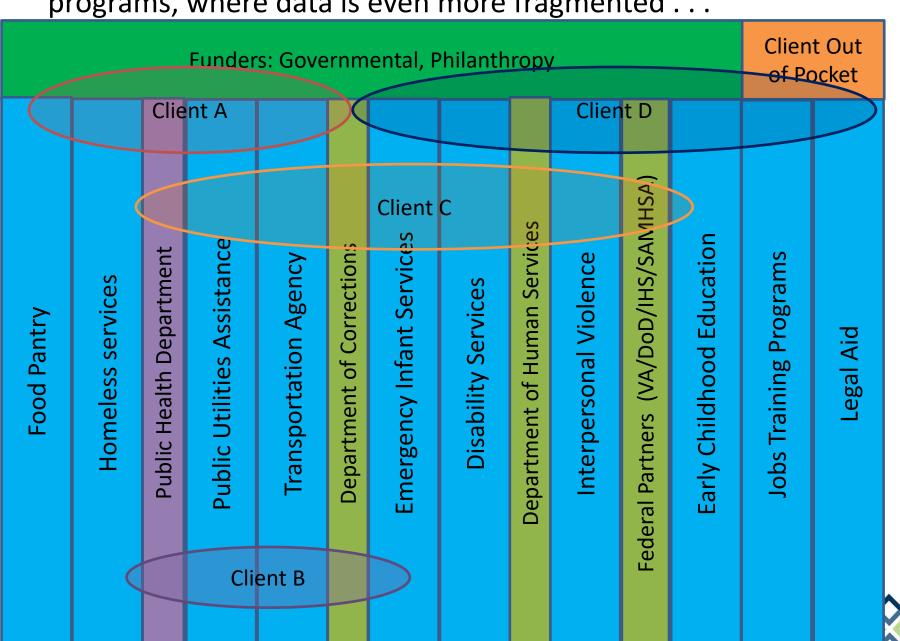
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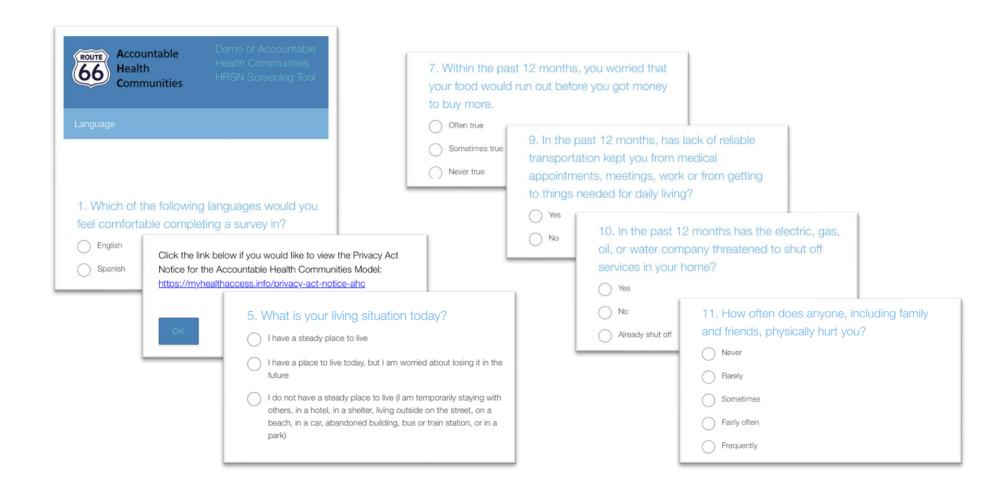
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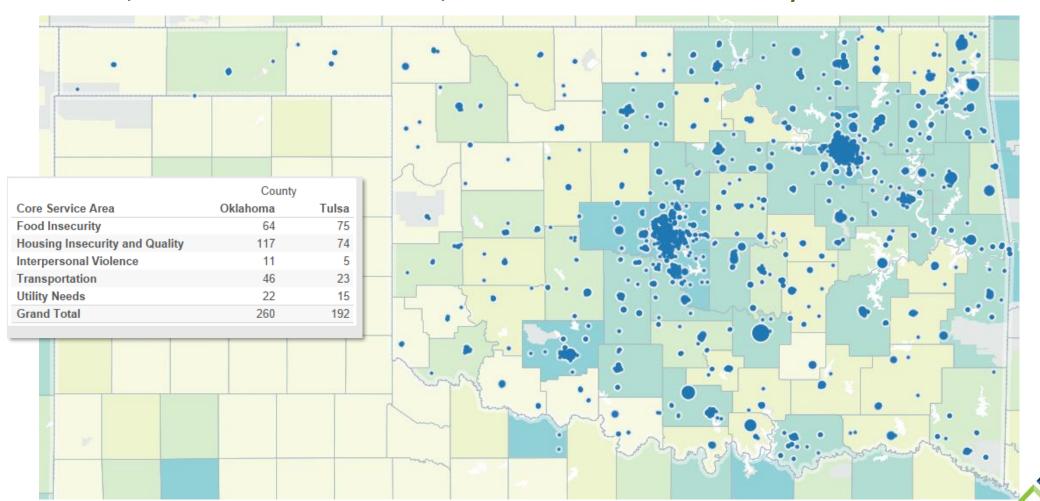


Accountable Health Communities: Statewide Screening for Social Needs



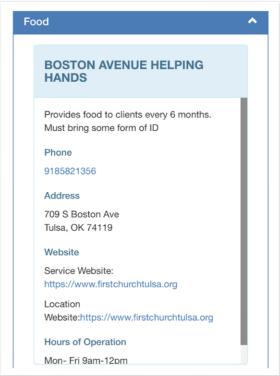
Accountable Health Communities: CRS

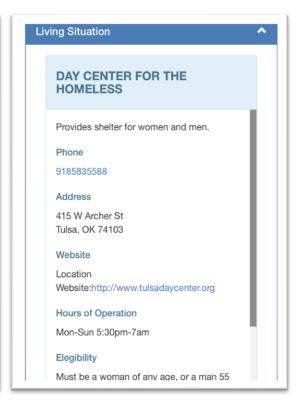
4,857 Resources in CRS Database, All 77 Counties in OK Covered by CRS Database



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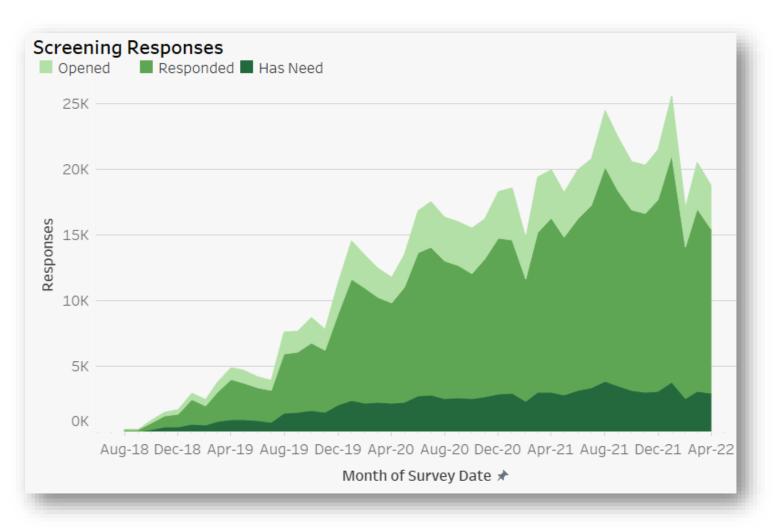






AHC by the Numbers

(August 2018 - May 15, 2021)



2,792,000+ Offers to Screen

477,000+ Responses

94,000+ Responses with a Need

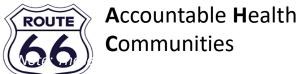
152,000+ Individual Needs Reported

11,200+ Eligible Navigation Cases

Medicare and Medicaid Only

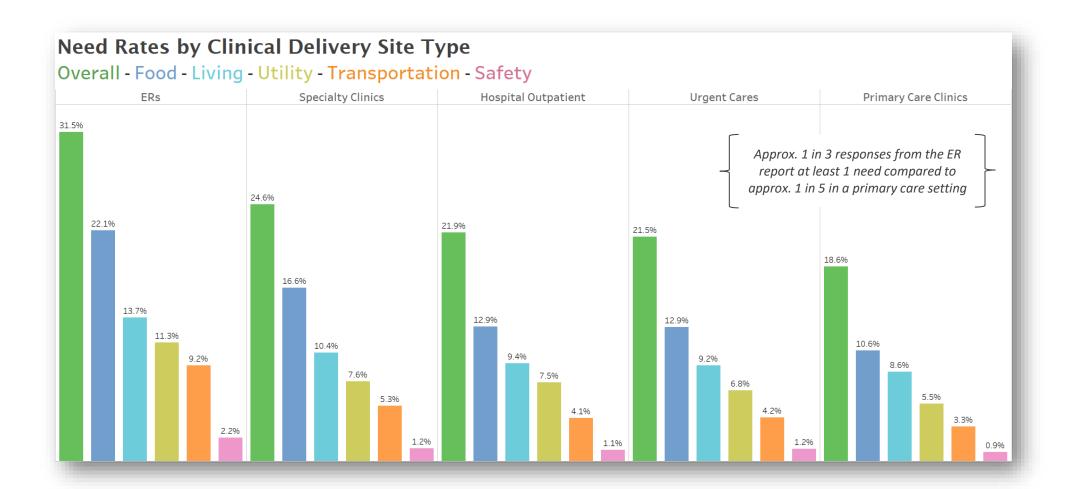
13,400+ Navigation Needs Resolved

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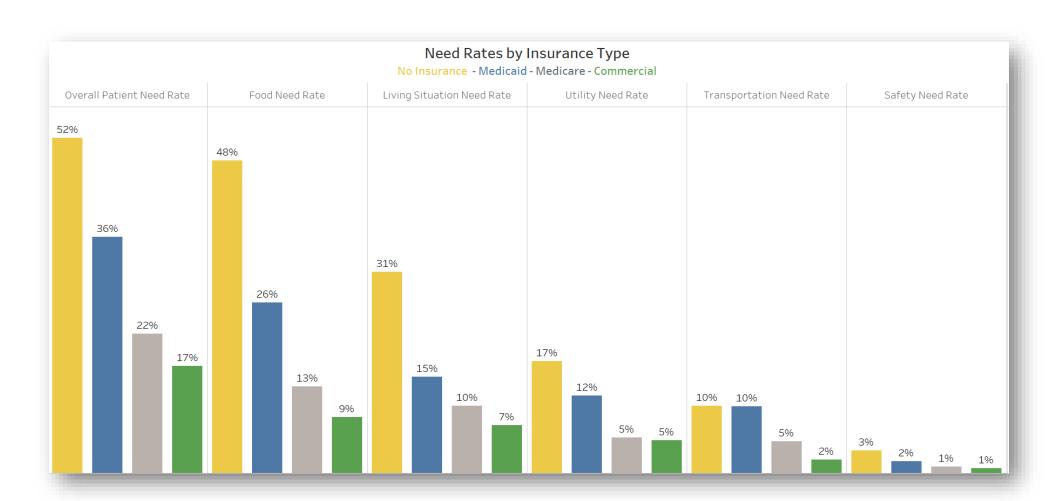




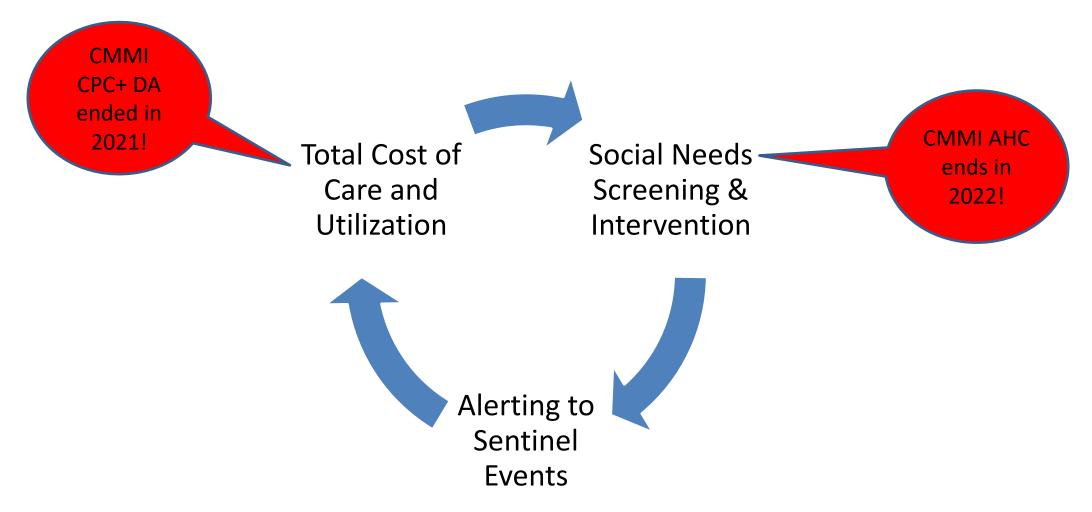
MyHealth AHC Need Rates by Clinical Site Type



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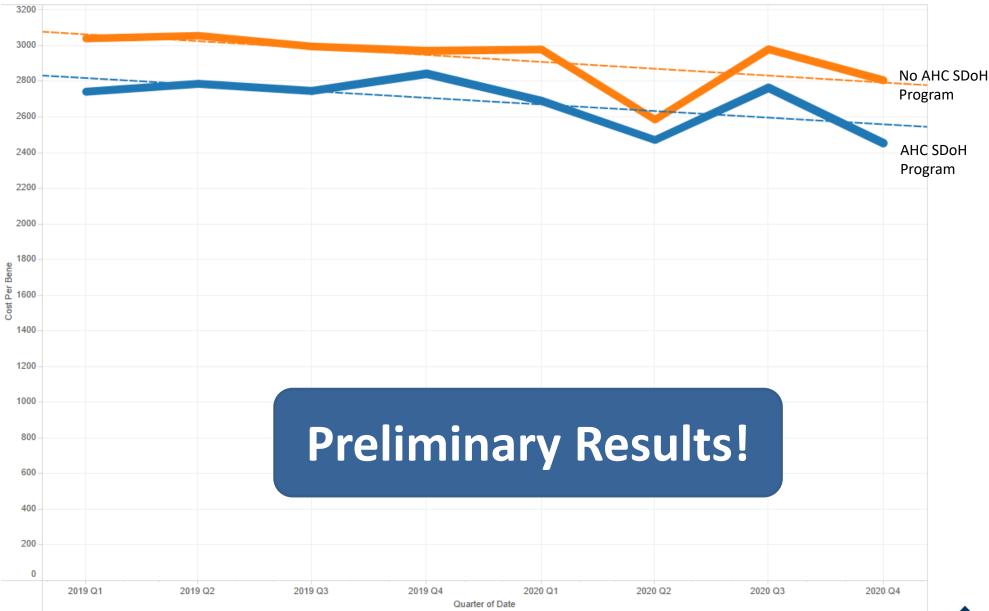
Cycle of Improvement



All three together will maximize the impact







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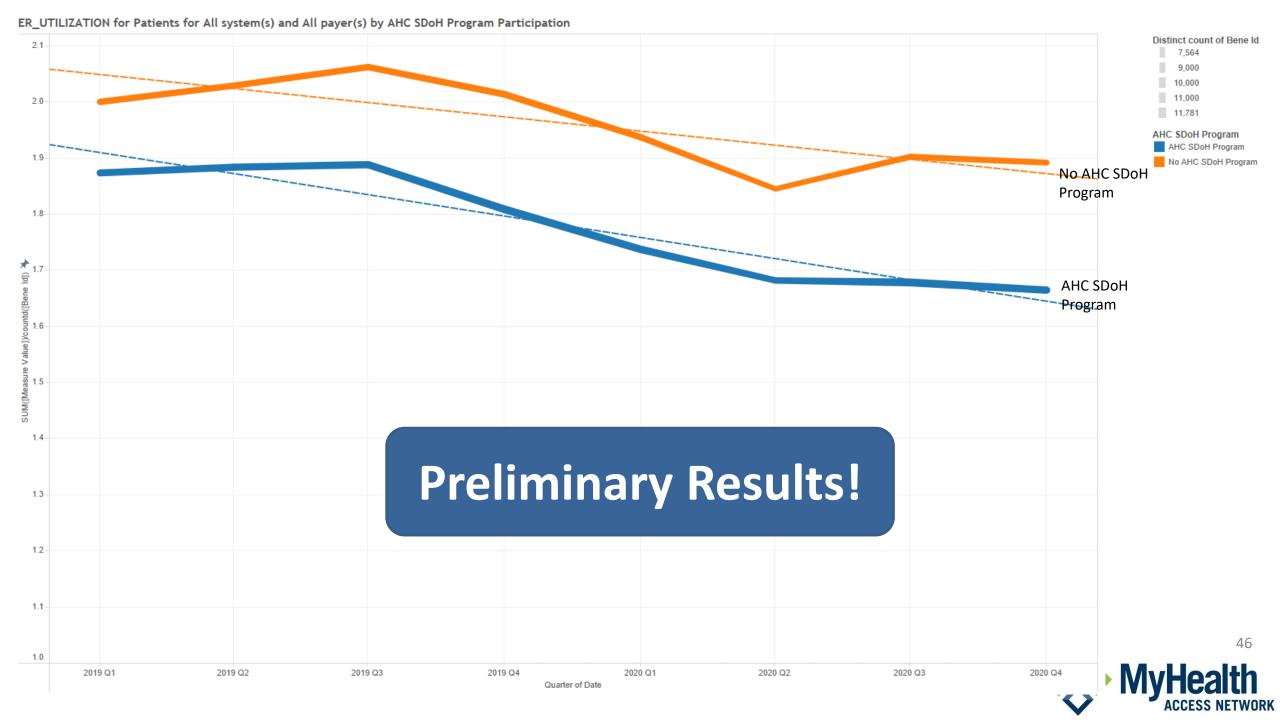
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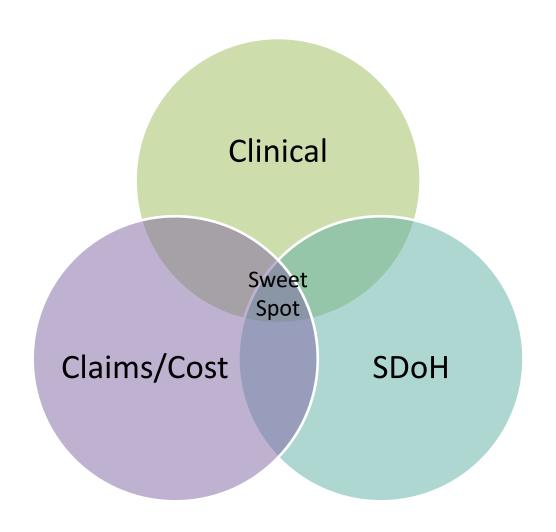
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Putting it all together



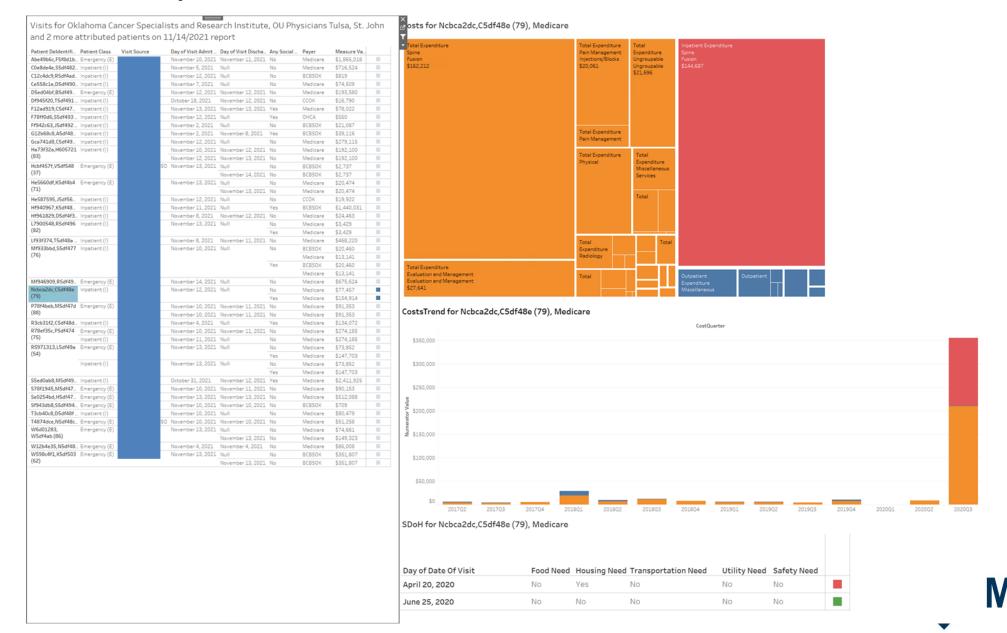


Population Health Command & Control



July 31, 2021

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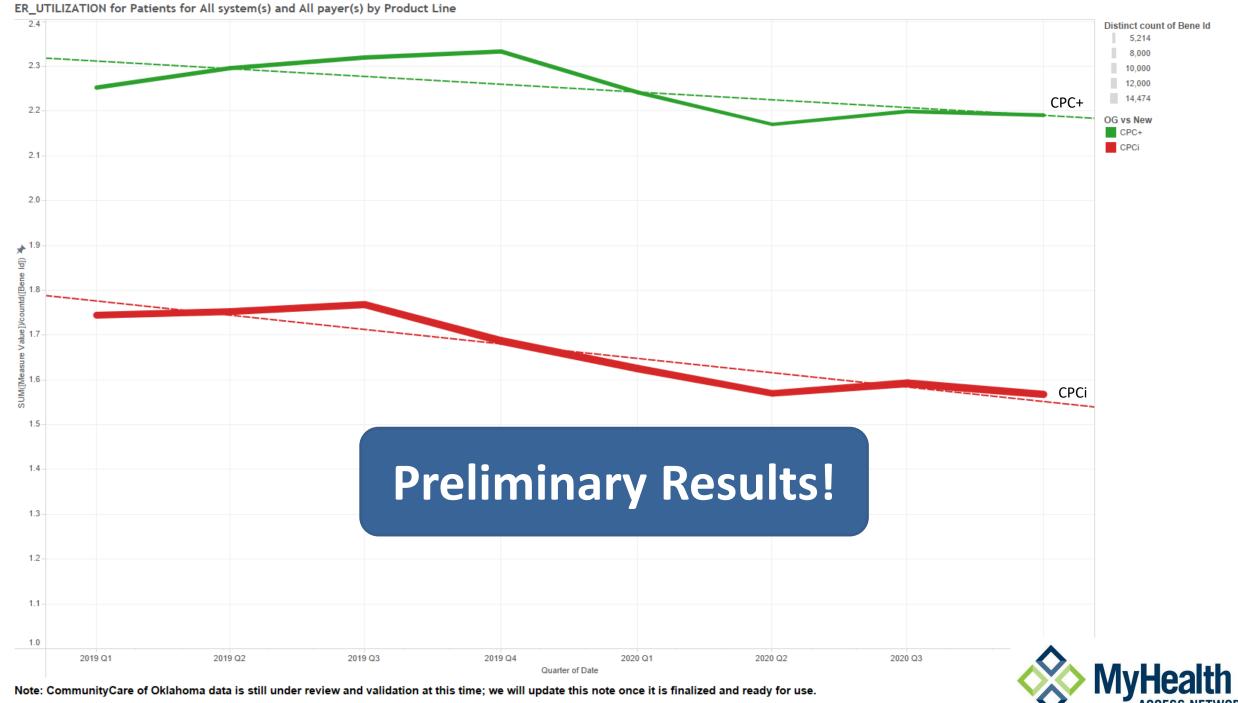
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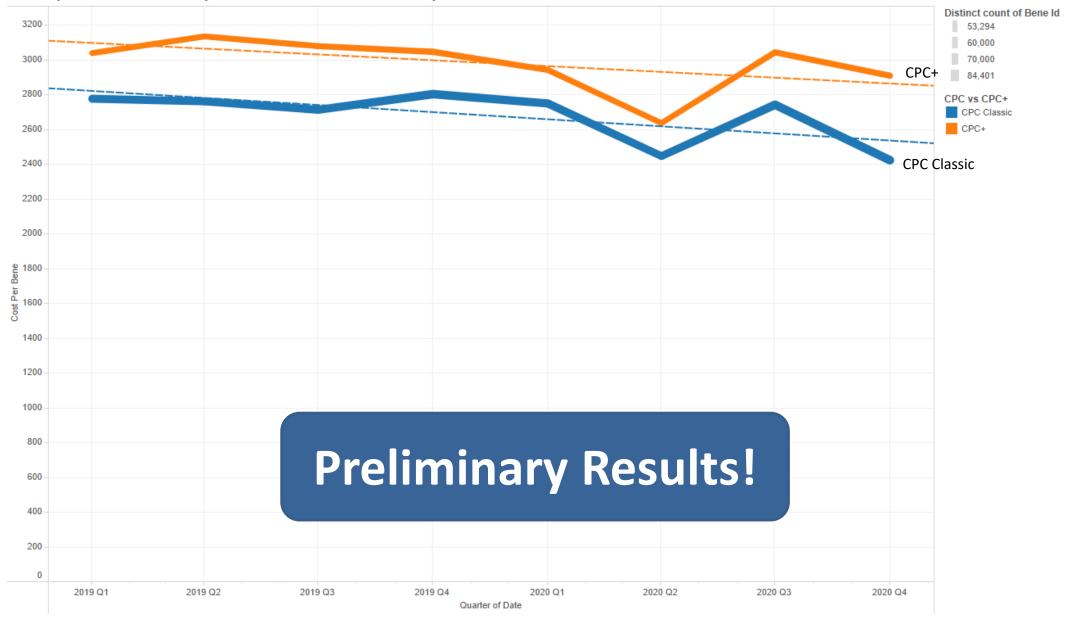
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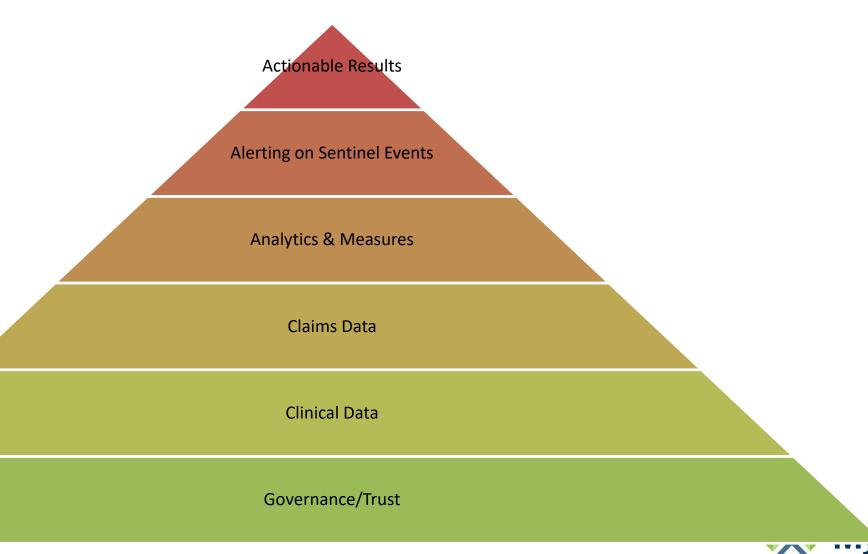
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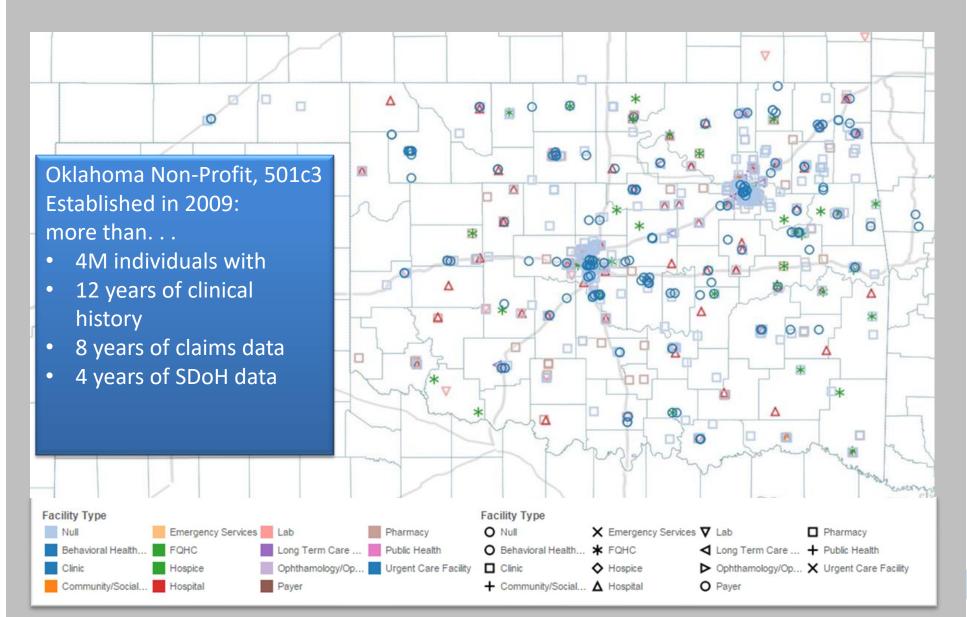


Common Infrastructure Ingredients needed for Most Models



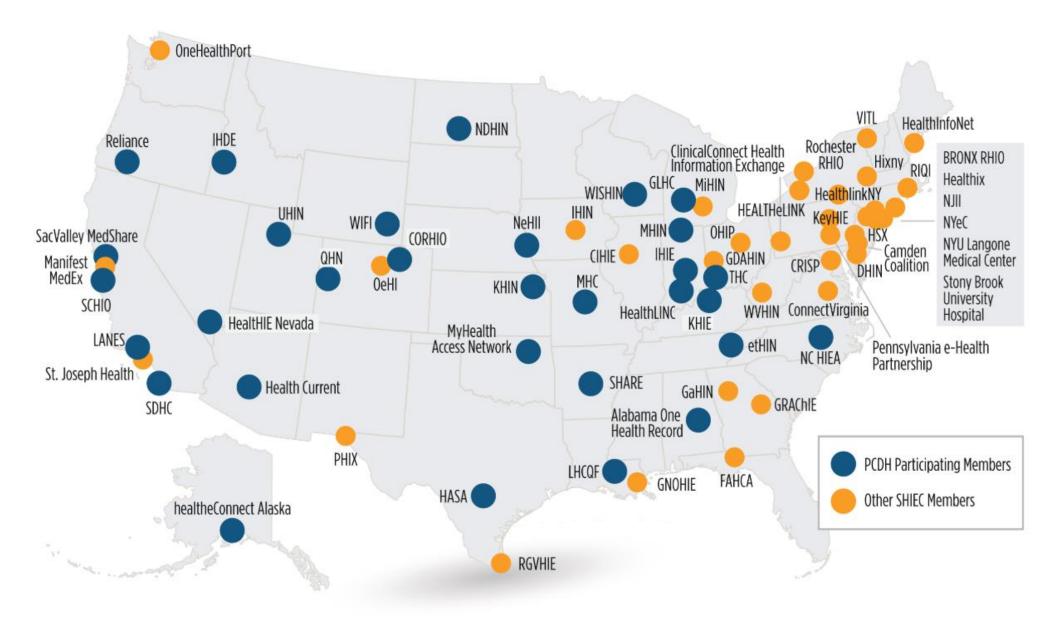


>1400 locations serving >110,000 patients daily



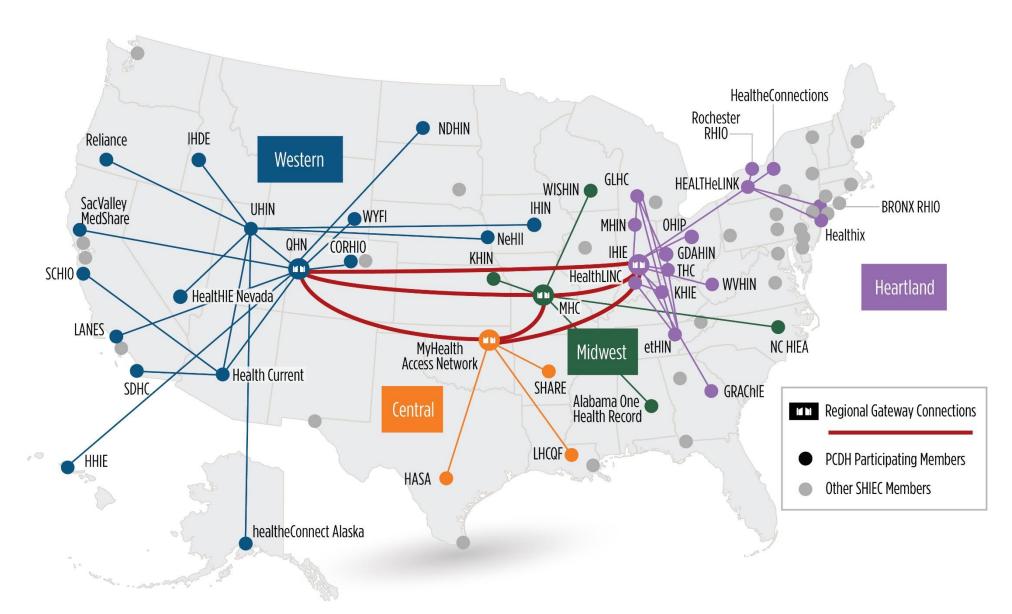


Potential innovation labs nationwide





Patient Centered Data Home™ coverage



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Presentation: Population-Based Total Cost of Care Models - An Actuarial Perspective

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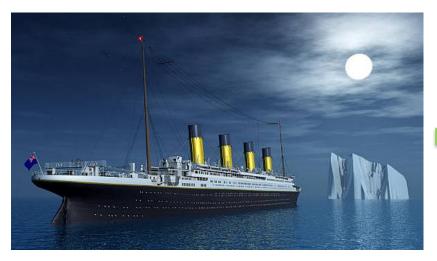


Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC)

Population-Based Total Cost of Care Models – An Actuarial Perspective

June 7, 2022

Beyond the Numbers: Three Structural Change Imperatives





- 1. Use of Historical Data
- 2. One-Year Time Horizon
- 3. Use of Risk Scoring

There are many other imperatives — incentive alignment, data sharing, true cost vs. price analysis (via fee schedule), health equity, etc.

These 3 are the most foundational elements to move the needle in the right direction.



Using Historical Data

- Over-reliance on historical data perpetuates what's been done in the past
- Trend is a measure that anchors to the past
 - No anchor to the desired future state
- Organizations that manage well compared to last year are essentially punished with lower targets next year
 - Encouraged to just barely achieve targets



The One-Year Time Horizon

- Health is a long-term issue
- One-year measures encourage management to that timeline
 - What's the ROI?
 - Lack of planning for "non-normal" years
 - Management of reserves
 - Supply chain
 - Inflation and Inverted Medical CPI
 - Endemic, Mental Health and Social Trauma



Use of Risk Scoring

- Risk scores are a predictor of cost, not a reflection of need, and thus a tool for allocating cost, not a tool for personalizing healthcare
- Incorporating SDOH is a step in the right direction, but often SDOH are proxies
 - Income, zip code, race, etc. are not data about actual need
 - Mixing a cost predictor with a tool for allocating resources
- Investment should
 - Support deployment to all patients not just those covered under APMs

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Tailor treatment appropriately to match the need for all patients



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Presentation: The Medical Neighborhood Advanced Alternative Payment Model

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The "Medical Neighborhood" Advanced Alternative Payment Model (AAPM) (Revised Version) proposal

Listening Session on Assessing Best Practices in Care Delivery for Population-Based Total Cost of Care (PB-TCOC) Models

PTAC Public Meeting, June 7, 2022

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The Medical Neighborhood Advanced Alternative Payment Model

Patient-Physician collaboration – agree that a specialty referral is appropriate

Referral to a specialty practice

Specialty practice pre-screens referral and accompanying documentation

Visit – triggers and "active phase" of attribution

Specialty practice role may vary – could co-manage the patient's treatment or be the primary manager

Best Practices for Overall Clinician Engagement in Accountable Care Arrangements

- Focus on the development and implementation of a more limited set of measures that are patient-centered, actionable, appropriately attributed, and evidence-based measures for public reporting and payment purposes, while also supporting the use of additional clinically meaningful measures for internal quality improvement.
 - Incentivizing the use of QI measures will allow for greater innovation opportunities and will engender trust; establish "safe harbors"
 - Move toward measurement at the practice level rather than at the level of the individual clinician.
 - ACP has reviewed internal medicine-relevant measures for validity prioritize use of these
 - Also prioritize measures focused on prevention e.g., cancer screening; SBIRT for tobacco, alcohol, and drug
 use
- Performance targets must be provided to physicians and their clinical care teams in a prospective and transparent manner and that all performance feedback be accurate, actionable, and timely (provided at least quarterly). Appropriate attribution and benchmarking are critical!
 - Voluntary patient attribution is the gold standard
 - Patient-relationship codes are promising form of attribution
 - Absent these, robust case minimums should be used
 - Benchmarks should be fixed across all participants; relative benchmarks create arbitrary winners and losers
 - Prospective benchmarks should be set using the most current data available (perhaps via shorter performance periods)

Best Practices for Overall Clinician Engagement in Accountable Care Arrangements (cont.)

- PC and/or SC work collaboratively with the patient to establish a care plan.
 - Customized to account for individual patient and family circumstances and preferences
- Utilize care coordination agreements between primary care and specialty care practices that allow for all involved in the patient's care to understand their role and expectations
 - Clarify when the specialty clinician is acting as the patient's primary clinician, or the PC and specialty clinician agree to co-manage a patient's care
 - Communication and data-sharing protocols should be clearly established within these agreements, including mechanisms that ensure notifications are prioritized based on urgency
 - Ensure clarity when the handoff needs to occur back to PC, including templates for these transitions of care (allowing for patient preferences)
 - Each practice should establish an internal plan that defines team members for all clinical and care coordination tasks

How to Encourage Specialty Engagement?

- Models must be scalable to different types of specialties while being built on a fundamentally similar framework, which allows it to be understandable and predictable to both the PC practices and the specialty practices – the Medical Neighborhood Model allows for this
- Communication and information sharing is critical specialty clinician (SC)/practice should be involved in pre-screening all referrals and accompanying documentation
- Care coordination agreements!
- Reimbursement structure must support SC engagement and unnecessary and duplicative work/administrative burden must be reduced
 - Critical to triage all referrals!
- TCOC models should incorporate incentives for patients to engage participating specialists transportation, copay waivers, etc.
- TCOC can be reviewed and aggregated at each practice and across both the PC and SC practices (excluding any cost attributed to specialists outside the model)

How to operationalize this?

Critical Elements of the Referral

- Prepared Patient
- Patient Demographics and Scheduling Information
 - Include any special considerations such as language needs, vision/hearing/cognitive impairments, need for caregiver assistance, etc.
- Referral Information
 - Clinical Question / Detailed Reason for Referral
 - · Summary of pertinent details
 - Patient goals
 - · Urgency (referral priority status)
 - Supporting Pertinent data
 - Referral type (role for specialty care)

Patient's Core Data Set

- Active problem list
- Past medical and surgical history
- Medication list
- Medical allergies
- Preventive care (e.g. vaccines and diagnostic test)
- · Family history
- Habits / social history
- List of providers (care team) (other specialists caring for patient)
- · Advance directive
- Overall current care plan and goals of care
- Any pain agreement, Care Management and /or Behavioral Health contacts

Core Coordination / Referral Tracking

Referral request sent, logged and tracked and acted on

https://www.acponline.org/acp_policy/policies/beyond_the_referral_position_paper_2022.pdf

How to operationalize this?

A High Value Referral Response

- Answer the clinical question / address the reason for referral
 - Summary (include some thought process)
- Agree with or Recommend type of referral / role of specialty care
- Confirm new, existing, or changed diagnoses
 - · Include "ruled out"
- Medication / Equipment changes
- Testing results, testing pending, scheduled or recommended
 - · including how / who to order
- Procedures completed, scheduled or recommended
- Education completed, scheduled or recommended

- Any "secondary" referrals made
 - Confer with and/or copy PCP on all
- Any recommended services or actions to be done by the PCP/PCMH
- Follow up scheduled or recommended
- Clear indication of
 - · What specialty care is going to do
 - · What the patient is instructed to do
 - What the referring physician needs to do and when
- Easy to find and refer to in the response note

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Integration of Behavioral Health with Primary Care (and Specialty Care)

- Collaborative Care Model (CCM)
 - Allows patient to be seen by PC and evaluated for behavioral health issues, consultation with psychiatry, and referred if needed
- CCM is a good start, but...
 - Cost of implementation for PC must be supported, including covering upfront costs to build infrastructure
 - Overall payment for the services is insufficient
- Consider integration of CCM with the Medical Neighborhood Model would also allow SC to engage more fully in the care of patients with complex needs that include behavioral care

Addressing Health Equity and Social Drivers of Health

- Payers must prioritize inclusion of underserved patient populations in all value-based payment models.
- We must work to create a validated way to measure the cost of caring for patients who
 are experiencing health care disparities and inequities based on personal characteristics
 and/or are disproportionately impacted by social drivers of health.
- Clinicians and practices should be incentivized to engage in innovative approaches to improve risk adjustment and other measurement methods that are reliable, defensible, and transparent – again, safe harbors are necessary here!
- ACP has new policy on these issues coming soon!

Questions?



Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee

Listening Session Part 2 on Assessing Best Practices in Care Delivery for Population-Based TCOC Models

Presenters:

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Presentation: Integrating Social Health into Care Delivery

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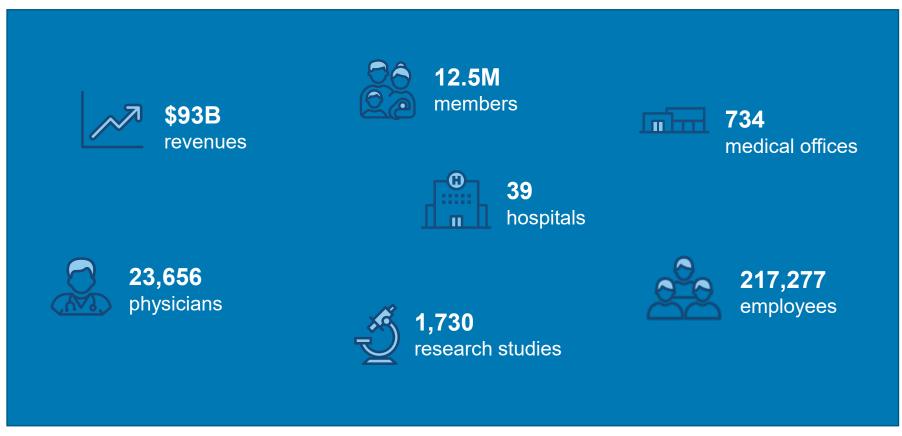
PTAC Total Cost of Care Listening Session

David C Grossman, MD, MPH Kaiser Permanente June 2022



Kaiser Permanente Overview

Mission: Kaiser Permanente exists to provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of our members and the communities we serve.



Data as of December 31, 2021

Source: https://about.kaiserpermanente.org/who-we-are/fast-facts

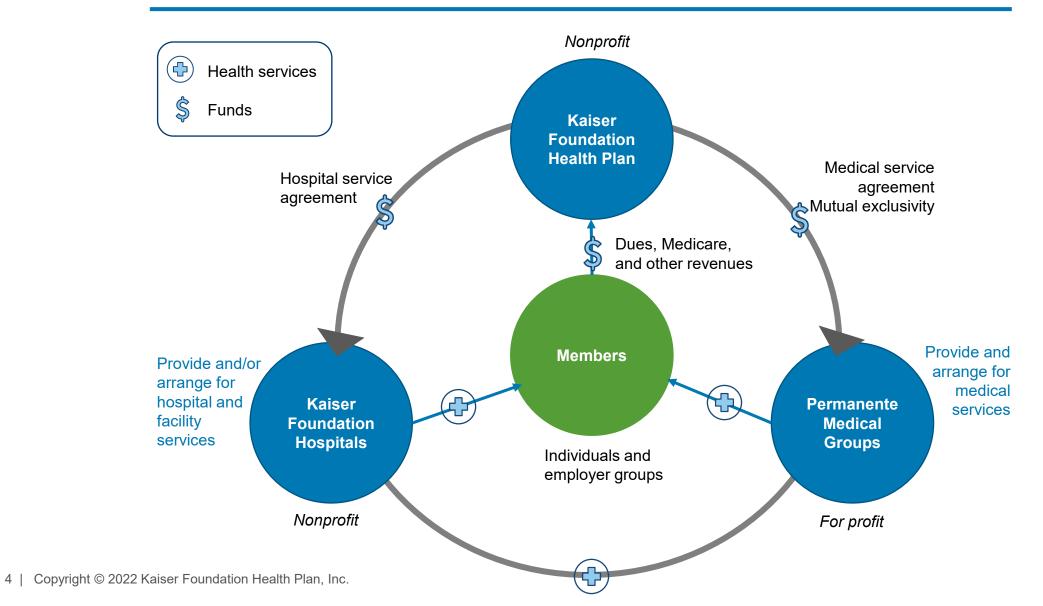
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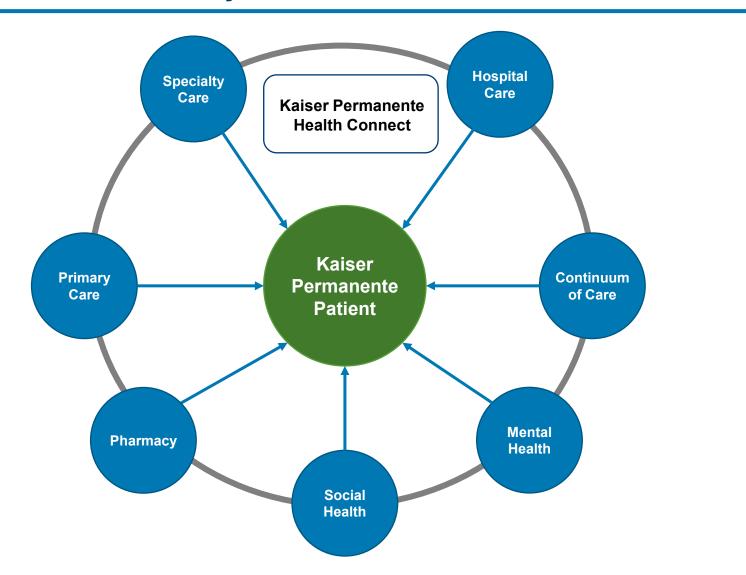
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Integrated Care and Coverage



Integration of Care Delivery



Defined Global Budget with Flexibility from Single Source

Allows for a re-consideration of who, what, where, and how care is delivered

Care need not be limited to what occurs face to face in medical facilities or billable activities

Deep IT investments support integration through communication

By working with a single health plan, medical groups don't face competing demands from multiple payers. Unlike traditional plans, members rarely see the interaction between plan and provider.

Capitation and Revenue Model for Physicians

Permanente Medical Groups develop annual budgets based on a capitation rate and projected enrollment plus administrative overhead

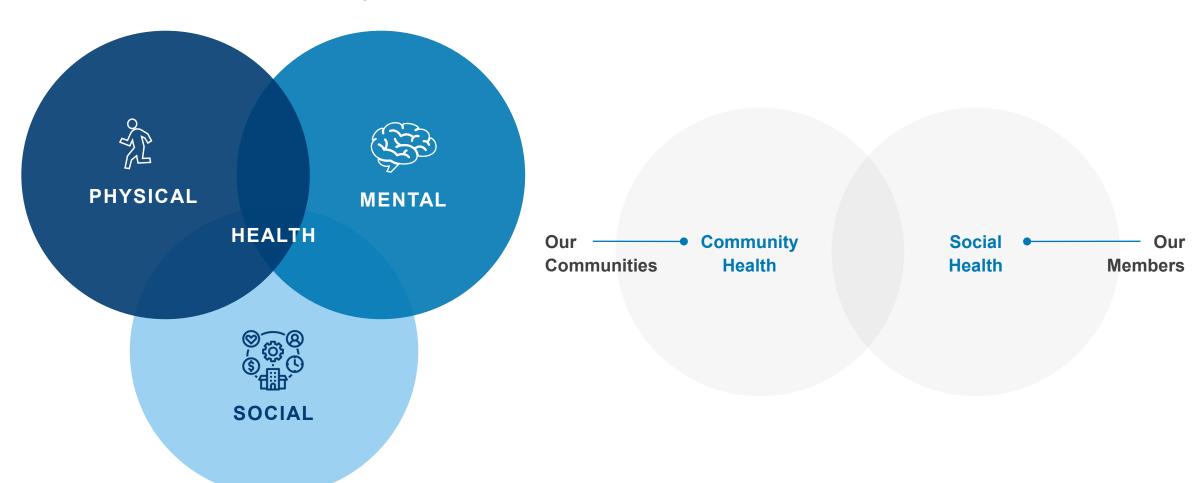
Kaiser Permanente Care Delivery receives its revenue from:

- Health plan global payments
- Patient Cost share payments
- FFS payments from self-funded/ERISA employers

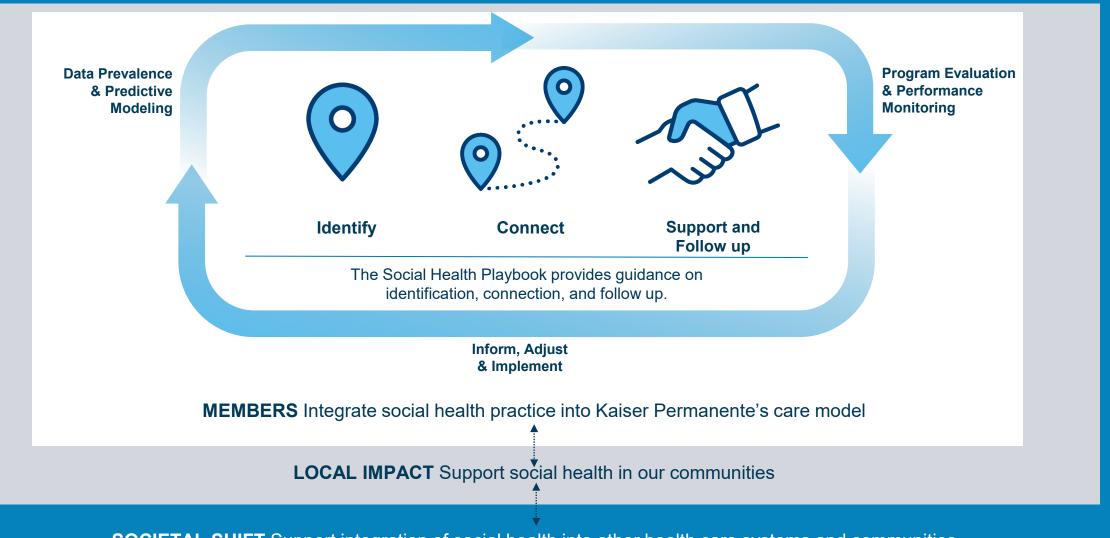
KP participates only in Medicare Advantage and other capitated government programs

Our unique integrated model positions us to strive for equitable outcomes through community partnerships

Kaiser Permanente is elevating the social health of our members and communities to the **same level as physical and mental health**.



Kaiser Permanente's Social Health Framework



SOCIETAL SHIFT Support integration of social health into other health care systems and communities



Kaiser Permanente's Social Health *Practice* Framework





Standard screening questions/tools in KPHC



Workflow design and job aids for screening



Digital self-service screening tool



Social risk models to target outreach





Resource sharing and community network referrals using Thrive Local



Thrive Local resource directory self-service for members



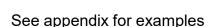
Connections phone line for members



Food resources, e.g. SNAP Enrollment, coupons programs, medically tailored and prepared meals



Housing resources, e.g., homeless patient protocol, Project Home for navigation and wrap around services



Member

Initiatives

Social isolation

resources, e.g.,

awareness campaign

(in development)

preparation

services

Financial wellness

resources, e.g., tax





(in development)

Care Coordination

Social health screening, connection, and follow up as part of enterprise care coordination approach



Follow Up

Tracking closed/resolved cases in Thrive Local

CARE DELIVERY & OPERATIONS INTEGRATION SUPPORT

(playbook, job aids, trainings, etc.)

MEMBER AWARENESS & ENGAGEMENT

(communications, marketing, digital capabilities, etc.)

DATA, ANALYTICS & EVALUATION

(centralized data hub, dashboards and reports, impact assessments, technology systems, etc.)





Social Health Food Security Member Initiatives Currently Underway

Building on KP's legacy in obesity prevention, we built a comprehensive food security portfolio to increase member access to healthy, affordable food.



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Enrollment Food Security

Conduct a multi-modal outreach campaign to enroll potentially eligible members in SNAP. To date, over 4 million members reached and 95K assisted with application submissions.



Medically Tailored Meals Food Security

Support healthy eating post discharge from the hospital for members with chronic conditions. To date, 2,100 have enrolled in MTM studies and over 116K meals provided to patients and their households.



COVID-19 Prepared Meals (Temp) Food Security

Provide food resources for members under isolation/ quarantine during COVID-19 through two programs via national vendor Mom's Meals. 2K members registered for this program and 17K meals provided.



Produce Prescriptions Food Security

Partner with Tufts University to conduct a randomized control trial on Produce Rx by providing healthy food access and nutrition education to people with diabetes who are food insecure.

Other Social Health Member Initiatives Currently Underway

In 2021, we continued to build our strategic approach and expanded our initiatives to respond to additional social needs identified by KP members, including housing security, social isolation and digital equity.



Project HOME Housing Security

Provide navigation, assistance, and tenancy sustaining services to a segment of our unhoused patient population through strategic community-based partnerships.



Medical Legal Partnerships Housing Security

Integrate medical-legal partnership (MLP) programs into KP care delivery, build capacity of the legal services sector, and increase access to legal services to prevent individuals and families from losing their homes.



Health Promotion Campaign/ Life Experienced Social Isolation

Execute a multifaceted health communications campaign to decrease social isolation and loneliness among older adults. To date, the campaign has generated 1,700 followers and over 16K website visits.



SafeLink Digital Equity

Connect eligible members to SafeLink (part of the Federal Lifeline program) which provides a free smartphone, 4.5 GB of data, unlimited text messages, 350 minutes of voice calls, and unlimited calls to designated KP number and newly expanded access to broadband.



Presentation: Quality, Disparities + Equity: How Does Value-Based Care Narrow the Gap?

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Quality, Disparities + Equity: How Does Value-Based Care Narrow the Gap?



Problems with the U.S. healthcare system are well-documented:



Expensive 1,2

\$4.1 tn

US annual healthcare spend

+267%

US per-capita healthcare spend vs OECD average



Poor Outcomes 1

-2 years

US life expectancy vs OECD average

+52%

US diabetes hospital admits vs OECD average



Negative Experience 3,4

>40%

US Physician Burnout rate

-1.2

Average Net Promoter Score for primary care physicians



High costs and poor outcomes are concentrated in older adults, who tend to be the sickest patients. Today, 96% of Medicare spend relates to chronic disease²

¹ Source: OECE

^{2.} Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS.gov) 2020 data

Source: Medscape National Physician Burnout and Suicide Report

For certain communities, those challenges are even more stark:

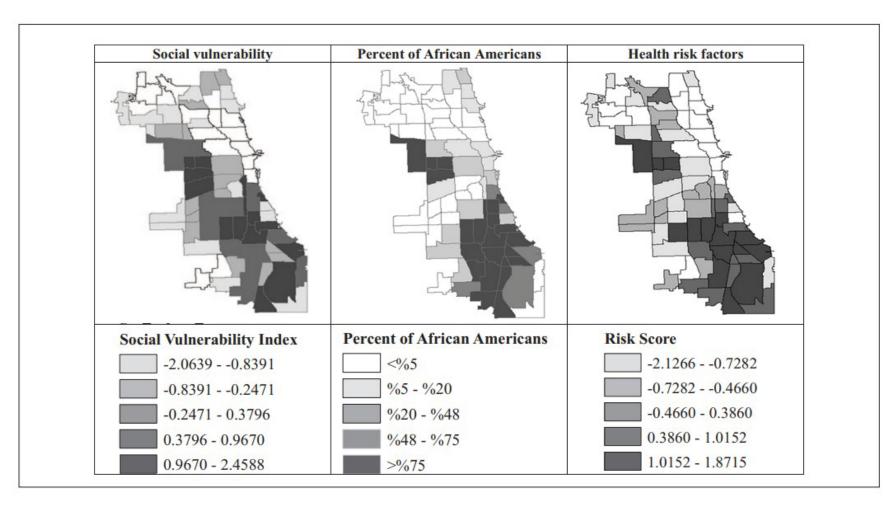


Figure 2. The spatial distributions of social vulnerability, health risk factors, and the percentage of African American residents in Chicago Community Areas.

Note. Social vulnerability index ranged from -2.0640 to 2.4859; Risk Score ranged from -2.1266 to 1.8715.

Communities with higher rates of poverty and unemployment, among other factors, suffer higher-risk health outcomes.¹

13.4%

Proportion of Black Americans in US population²

40%

Proportion of Black Americans among COVID-19 hospitalizations

~3.1x

Rate of Black American hospitalizations for COVID-19, relative to population size

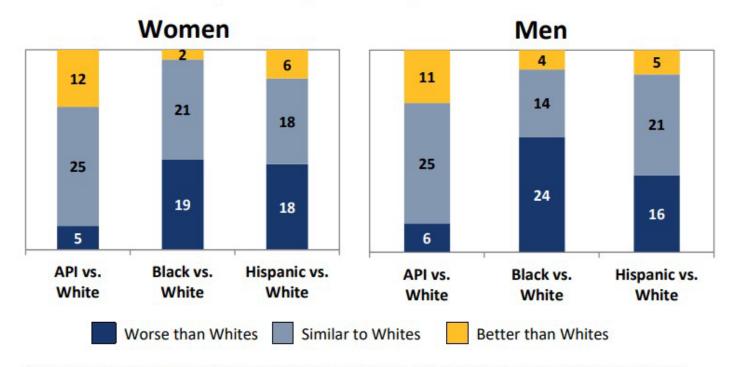
^{1.} Source: Kim and Bostwick, "Social Vulnerability and Racial Inequality in COVID-19 Deaths in Chicago." Health Education and Behavior. 2020

^{2.} Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Gaynor and Wilson, "Social Vulnerability and Equity: The Disproportionate Impact of COVID-19.". Public Administration Review. 2021.

When we examine the care we deliver, further equity gaps emerge:

Figure 5. Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Care by Gender: All Clinical Care Measures

Number of clinical care measures (out of 42) for which women/men of selected racial and ethnic minority groups experienced care that was worse than, similar to, or better than the care experienced by White women/men in 2018



SOURCE: This chart summarizes clinical quality (HEDIS) data collected in 2018 from MA plans nationwide. **NOTES:** API = Asian or Pacific Islander. Racial groups such as Blacks and Whites are non-Hispanic. Those who endorsed Hispanic ethnicity were classified as Hispanic regardless of race.

While patient-reported rates of care delivery are often equivalent across racial categories, outcome measures tell a different story.¹

~9-10% lower

Likelihood that Black + Hispanic patients had adequately controlled high blood pressure, relative to Whites

~11-12% lower

Likelihood that Black + Hispanic patients had adequately treated depression episodes with continuous antidepressant use, relative to Whites

^{1.} Source: Martino et al, "Racial, Ethnic and Gender Disparities in Health Care in Medicare Advantage." CMS Office of Minority Health/RAND. 2021.

Enter: Oak Street Health



We are...

A patient-centric network of primary care centers for Medicare-eligible patients

We leverage...

The Oak Street Health platform to provide comprehensive care for our patient population

We improve...

Experiences and outcomes for our patients

We reduce...

Hospitalizations by over 50% and retain the savings generated by our care model

137 Oak Street owned and operated centers

20 States currently covered

114.5k At-risk patients receiving our care

\$1.43b Total 2021 revenue, 62% annual revenue growth

~4,800 Team members, all aligned with our mission & vision, including ~500 primary care providers

Oak Street Health locations

Currently serving 175,000+ Medicare beneficiaries and growing.

 About 45% of Oak Street patients are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid

Alabama	2	New Mexico	4
Arizona	10	New York	10
Georgia	5	North Carolina	8
Illinois	27	Ohio	11
Indiana	8	Oklahoma	5
Kentucky	1	Pennsylvania	10
Louisiana	5	Rhode Island	4
Michigan	11	South Carolina	3
Mississippi	2	Tennessee	4
Missouri	4	Texas	17



Why: complex patients require multi-dimensional care model – and time

68 average age

86% of patients have one or more chronic conditions

7 + average number of medications

>50% of patients identify as African American, Latino, or Indigenous

42% of patients are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid

~50% of patients have a housing, food, or isolation risk factor



All too often, resource limitations stymie progress in health outcomes

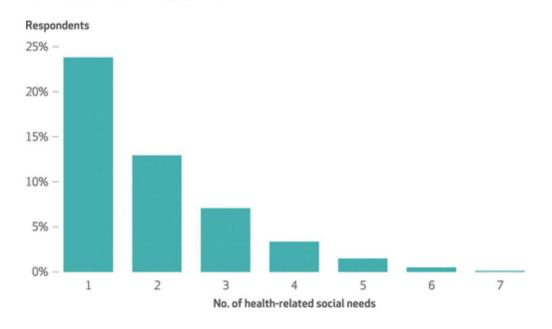
Exhibit 1 Prevalence of health-related social needs among older adults enrolled in Medicare Advantage, 2019–20



HealthAffairs

SOURCE Authors' analysis of Humana survey data, 2019–20. NOTES Sample limited to respondents who answered all survey questions (n=51,201). Prevalence estimates are weighted for nonresponse and national age and sex distribution. Health-related social needs are not mutually exclusive, and respondents could be counted in more than one category.

Exhibit 2 Distribution of health-related social need burden among older adults enrolled in Medicare Advantage, 2019–20



^{1.} Source: Long et al. "Health-related social needs among older adults enrolled in Medicare Advantage." Health Affairs. 2022.

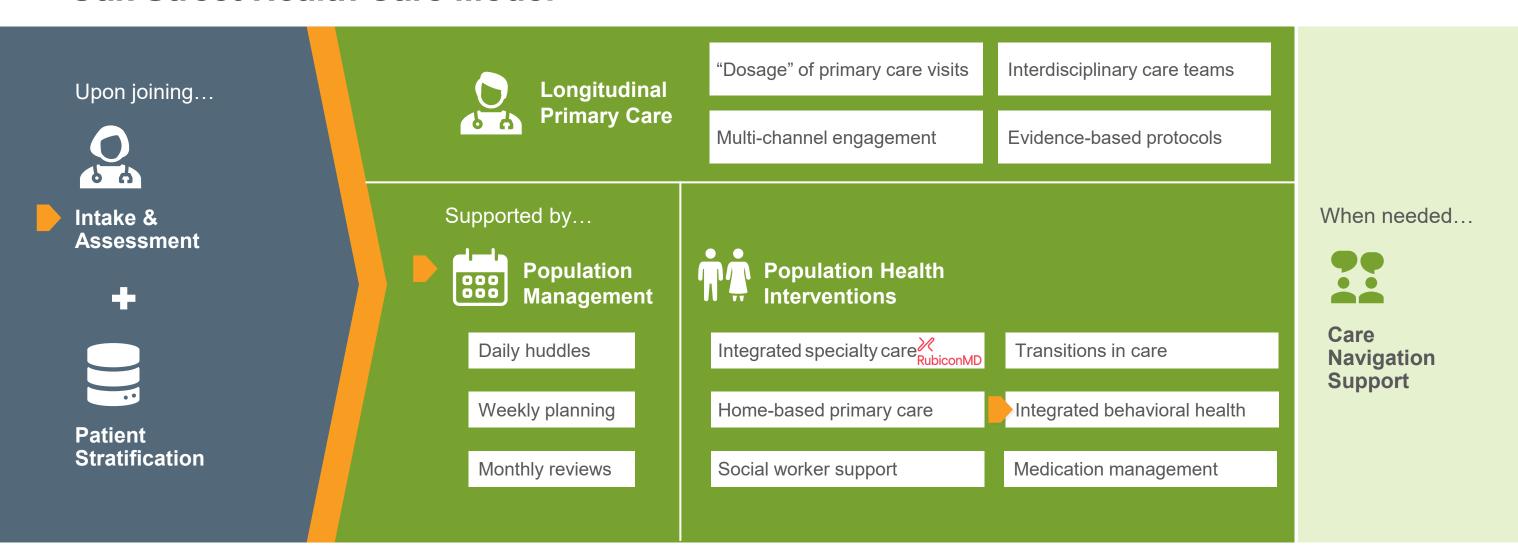
Value-based models invest upfront to keep patients happy, healthy, and out of the hospital

Challen	ges in Primary Care Settings	Fee For Service	Value-Based Practices (Medicare, Medicaid)
((()))	Not enough time with patients	2,000+ Avg doctor panel ¹	~400-800 Patient panel
†º	No patient specialization	Accepts all ages	Medicare-eligibles focused (most often); Medicaid- eligibles focused (less common – Cityblock, CareMore, Waymark)
	No non-facing patient time	No time to plan for care outside the exam room	>1/3 Provider/nursing time used to communicate, coordinate care, close care gaps + proactively plan
0 表	No support beyond primary care	Minimal focus on social determinants of health	Behavioral health, pharmacy, home-based support, well-being programs + social worker/community health worker assistance within large care teams
٢٥	Limited technology integration	Limited EMR use focused on billing & record-keeping; no time to engage with population health overlays	4 hrs/day Average time that clinical staff use technology platforms optimized to provide an integrated clinical and care plan – single source of truth for teams

1. Source: Journal of General Internal Medicine

Value-based models leverage a deep understanding of our patients, leading to coordinated and holistic support

Oak Street Health Care Model



To be discussed in further detail

Value-based models yield better quality care delivery for patients – and, in doing so, close gaps in health inequity



5-Star HEDIS Level Performance¹:

85%Diabetic patients with well-controlled diabetes (Hemoglobin A1C of <9)

+6% above industry 5-star benchmark

87%Patients with a breast cancer screening +12% above industry 5-star benchmark

Patients with colorectal cancer screening +14% above industry 5-star benchmark

Care Model Deep-Dive: Integrated Behavioral Health Taking care of our patients' population health needs

Mental Health in the US¹

1 in 5

US adults who experienced a mental illness in 2020

>17 million

US adults who experienced delays or cancellations in mental health appointments

At Oak Street Health

All patients

screened for behavioral health at initial visit and annually

All centers

provide access to behavioral health care

Collaborative care

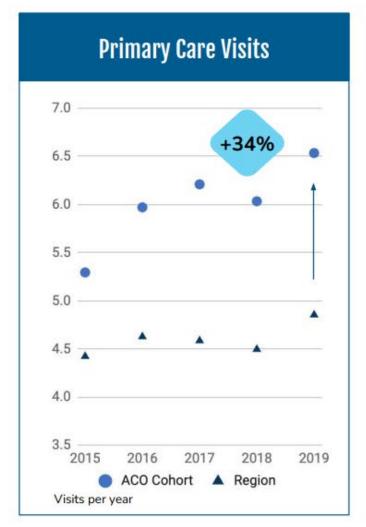
Behavioral health is not stigmatized or siloed; it is a part of whole-person care at OSH

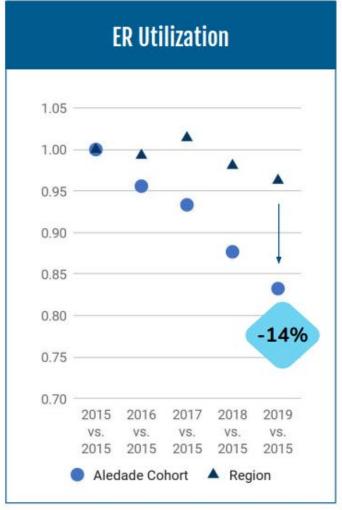
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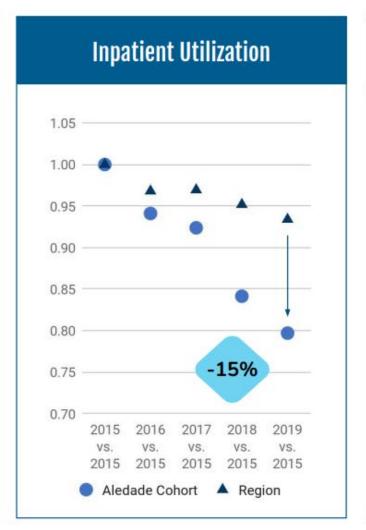
OSH patients seeing a significant reduction in depressive symptoms through Oak Street collaborative behavioral health care model²

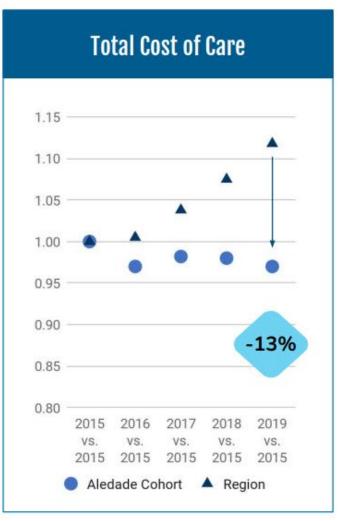
vs 19% of patients in traditional behavioral health care model³

Value-based care allows for critical investment in primary care







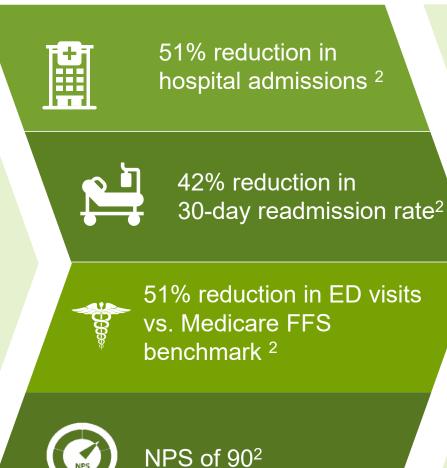


VBC models demonstrate improved quality and lower cost across plan types (HMO, PPO, Open Access, SNP, MMP) and programs (MA, MSSP, DC and Medicaid)

^{1.} Source: Aledade analysis of the CMS Virtual Research Data Center, containing 100% of Medicare claims nationally. More primary care, fewer ER visits, and hospitalization means lower cost over time. Primary Care Visits ER Utilization Inpatient Utilization Total Cost of Care https://www.ajmc.com/view/more-than-beating-the-benchmark-5-medicare-acos-2015-2019

Value-based care allows for critical investment in primary care







VBC models invest in proactive primary care, spending more than 3x the average³. We remove reactive and more-expensive costs from the system.

VBC models demonstrate improved quality and lower cost across plan types (HMO, PPO, Open Access, SNP, MMP) and programs (MA, MSSP, DC and Medicaid)

Source: CMS and Kaiser Family Foundation

[.] Please see our S1, filed 2/8/2021, for information on how these statistics are calculated

^{3.} Based on our 2021 spend (please see our 10K, filed 2/28/2022) vs industry average (sourced from Kaiser Family Foundation)

A growing consensus emerges: value drives better quality, particularly for those who need it most

JAMA Network Open

Results

In a study population of 489 796 MA beneficiaries, value-based payment was significantly associated with lower acute care use (<u>Table</u>). Compared with FFS, beneficiaries cared for under 2-sided risk models had lower rates of hospitalizations, observation stays, and ED visits. For example, the adjusted rate of ED visits per 1000 patients for 2-sided risk models was 375.8 (95% CI, 370.9-380.7) compared with 434.1 (95% CI, 426.5-441.9) for FFS. For all outcomes, there was no significant difference in acute care use between beneficiaries cared for under upside-only risk models and FFS.

The association between value-based payment and decreased acute care use was most pronounced for measures of avoidable acute care use. Compared with FFS, 2-sided risk models were associated with a 15.6% (95% CI, 14.2%-17.0%) relative reduction in avoidable hospitalizations, compared with 4.2% (3.4%-4.9%) for all-cause hospitalizations (Figure).



RESULTS: Compared with patients randomized to usual care, patients randomized to complex care management had lower TME (adjusted difference, -\$7732 per member per year [PMPY]; 95% CI, -\$14,914 to -\$550; P = .036), fewer IP bed days (adjusted difference, -3.46 PMPY; 95% CI, -4.03 to -2.89; P < .001), fewer IP admissions (adjusted difference, -0.32 PMPY; 95% CI, -0.54 to -0.11; P = .014), and fewer specialist visits (adjusted difference, -1.35 PMPY; 95% CI, -1.98 to -0.73; P < .001). There was no significant impact on care center or ED visits.

CONCLUSIONS: Carefully designed and targeted complex care management programs may be an effective approach to caring for high-need, high-cost Medicaid patients.

Am J Manag Care. 2020;26(2):e57-e63

^{1.} Source: Gondi et al. "Analysis of value-based payment and acute care use among Medicare beneficiaries." JAMA Network Open. 2022.

2. Source: Powers et al. "Impact of complex care management on spending and utilization for high-cost, high-need Medicaid patients." AJMC. 2020.

Case Study: Acorn ACO demonstrates ability to drive medical cost savings across Medicare¹

4th

highest savings rate of all 513 ACOs

~17%

Savings rate compared to 4% average

IL, MI, IN

Only ACO in the top 10 to operate in these states



Average annual taxpayer savings per patient vs CMS target⁴



Value-based care models produce consistent results across both MA and ACO populations

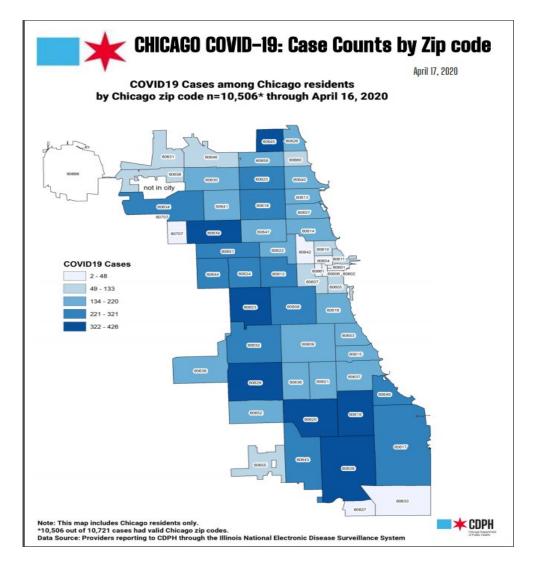
CMS 2020 data

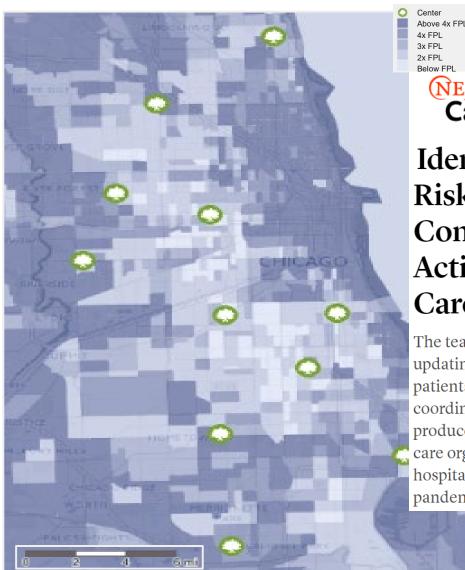
^{2.} Reflects OSH MA economics for 2020 for Part C revenue and medical costs (comparable to ACO economics)

^{3.} External costs only, excludes the costs of Oak Street's primary care model which would reduce the savings retained by Oak Street Health

^{4.} Based upon CMS' calculation of savings; not derived from the data on this slide

Case Studies: Value-based care and COVID-19 inequity





Catalyst Innovations in Care Delivery

Identifying Patients with Increased Risk of Severe Covid-19 Complications: Building an Actionable Rules-Based Model for Care Teams

The team at Cityblock Health is building, expanding, and regularly updating its rules-based, adaptable model to identify Covid-19 patients at highest risk. Recognizing the importance of a coordinated response and shared learnings, they wanted to produce an open-source tool to help other providers and health care organizations identify their patients at highest risk of hospitalization, ICU use, and death from the coronavirus pandemic.

Decoupling payment from in-person visit volume incentivizes proactive outreach, home-based care and upfront investments in community protections

^{1.} Source: Schnake-Mahl et al. "Identifying patients with increased risk of severe Covid-19 complications: building an

^{2.} actionable rules-based model for care teams. NEJM Catalyst. 2020.

Despite progress in quality + equity, the value journey is adolescent



- Incentive Design: Future expansion of Medicareled payment models to more deeply link payment reform, quality + equity in equal measure (MA STARs, ACO REACH)
- Scalability: Moving beyond ~1-10% of Medicare beneficiaries; application to high-risk commercial models, expansion of Medicaid services/scope
- Clinical Excellence: Ongoing evaluation of clinical outcomes + patient-reported outcome measures; collaborative benchmarking



Q&A



Presentation: Model Features That Support Improved Outcomes, Equity & Affordability

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AQC Model: Key Components (2007)

Contract Model

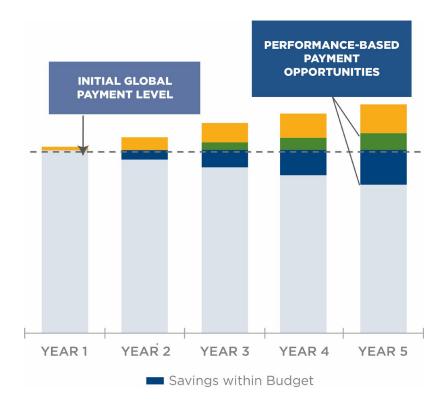
- Accountability for quality and resource use across full care continuum
- Long-term (5-years)

Controls Cost Growth

- Global population-based budget
- Shared risk: 2-sided symmetrical
- Health status adjusted
- Annual inflation targets set at baseline for each year of the contract and designed to significantly moderate cost growth

Improved Quality, Safety, and Outcomes

- Robust performance measure set creates accountability for quality, safety and outcomes across the continuum
- Substantial financial incentives for high performance and for improvement







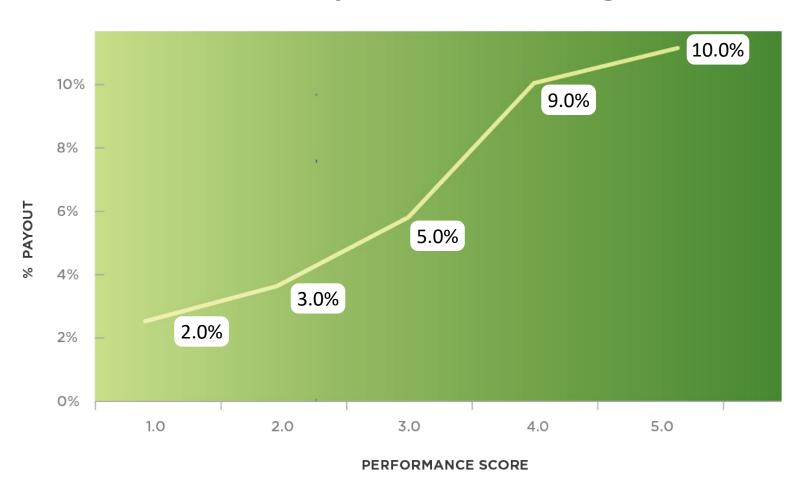
AQC Measure Set for Performance Incentives (2007)

	AMBULATORY	HOSPITAL
PROCESS	 Preventive screenings Acute care management Chronic care management Depression Diabetes Cardiovascular disease 	Evidence-based care elements for: Heart attack (AMI) Heart failure (CHF) Pneumonia Surgical infection prevention
OUTCOME	 Control of chronic conditions Diabetes Cardiovascular disease Hypertension ***Triple weighted***	 Post-operative complications Hospital-acquired infections Obstetrical injury Mortality (condition –specific)
PATIENT EXPERIENCE	Access, IntegrationCommunication, Whole-person care	Discharge quality, Staff responsiveness Communication (MDs, RNs)
EMERGING	Up to 3 measures on priority topics for which measures lacking	



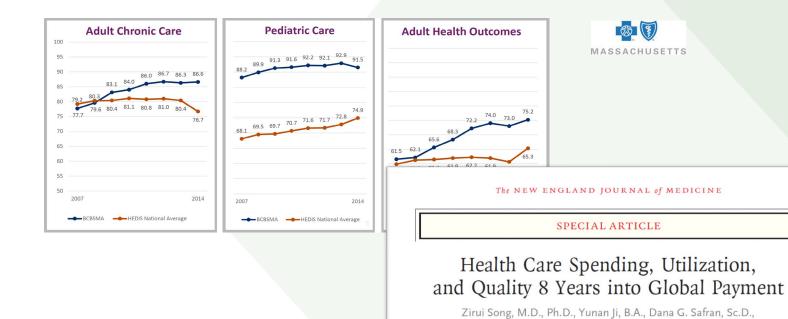


Performance Payment Model: Original





Improved Quality, Outcomes & Affordability: BCBSMA AQC Catalyzes US Payment Reform



and Michael E. Chernew, Ph.D.





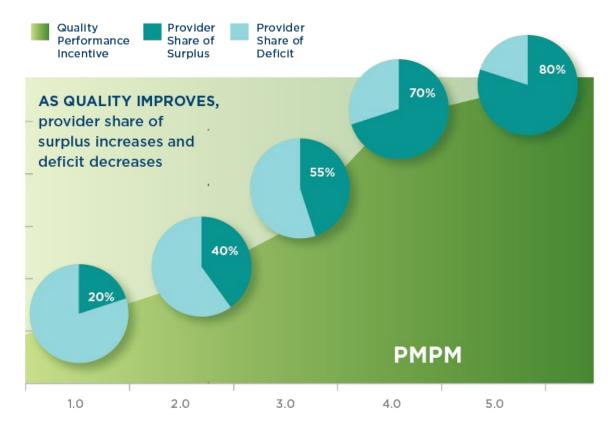
Performance Payment Model: Updated (2011)

Linking Quality and Efficiency

 The 2011 AQC ensures that providers have a strong incentive to focus on both objectives.

PMPM Quality Dollars

 The 2011 AQC also allows groups to earn PMPM quality dollars regardless of their budget surplus or deficit. High quality groups earn more PMPM quality dollars.







Delivery System Innovation: Four Themes

There are four domains in which we saw AQC Groups innovating to improve quality and outcomes while reducing overall spending.



Staffing Models

Approaches to Patient Engagement





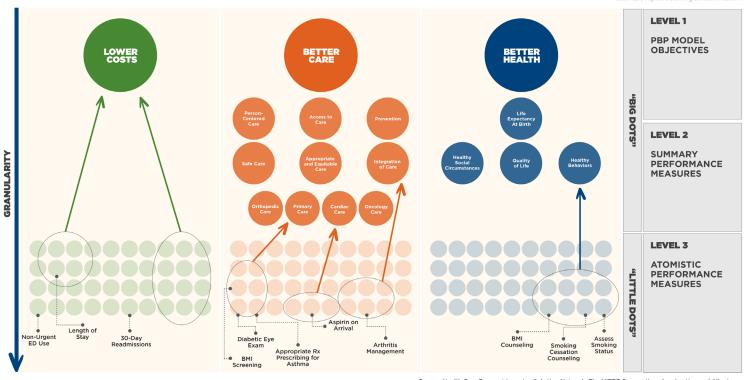
Data Systems & Health Information Technology Referral
Relationships
& Integration
Across
Settings





Moving to "Big Dot" Measurement for Alternative Payment Models (APMs)





Source: Health Care Payment Learning & Action Network; The MITRE Corporation. Accelerating and Aligning Population-Based Payment Models: Performance Measurement. Washington, DC: The MITRE Corporation; 2016.

Recommendation: To support the long-term success and sustainability of population-based payment models, future state measures must be based, as much as possible, on results that matter to patients (e.g., functional status) or the best available intermediate outcomes known to produce these results



Problem to solve:

Despite 10+ years of consensus about the need for more outcome-oriented measures, there has been limited progress

50% of Healthcare Spend Falls in Five Clinical Domains with Few or No Outcome Measures

- Value-based payment and population health demand "big dot" measures (outcomes)
- Current portfolio of measures focuses largely on "little dots" (process measures)
 - an artifact of fee-for-service payment
- A small number of payers and purchasers are working individually to develop measures for high priority topics ("activist innovators") – but find it difficult to successfully produce new measures able to be widely adopted





Essential Enablers of Ultimate Success of Value-Based Payment

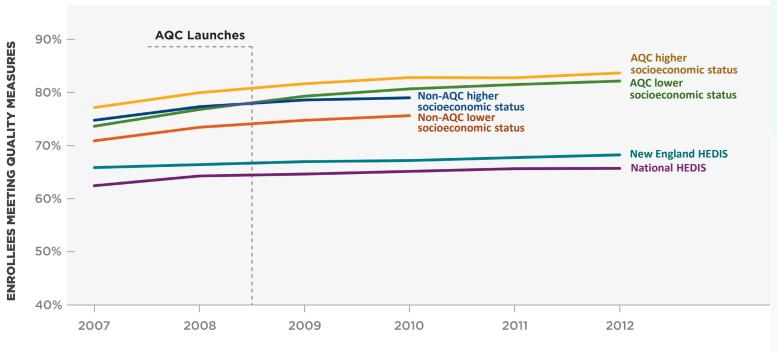






EXHIBIT 1

Performance on process quality measures among Alternative Quality Contract (AQC) enrollees and comparison groups, by socioeconomic status according to enrollee area of residence, 2007-12



Source: Song Z, Rose S, Chernew ME, Safran DG, et al. Lower- Versus Higher-Income Populations In The Alternative Quality Contract: Improved Quality And Similar Spending. Health Affairs. 2017;36(1):74-82



Health Equity Measurement

- Requires data that are largely lacking today
 - Standards for data content, collection and exchange
 - Align on the role of patient-specific data vs. proxy indicators
 - Data for population-level tracking vs. data for individual patient outreach
- Stratification vs. Composite Index
 - Evaluate performance on disparitiessensitive measures stratified by relevant variables
 - "Roll up" disparity performance across a broad set of measures to define a composite or health equity index



Investing in Health Equity

- As value-based payment models increasingly hold providers financially accountable for outcomes, there is growing concern that organizations caring for populations with greater social risk factors are unfairly penalized
- Some argue that we should adjust performance scores for social risk to fairly assess and reward providers with great social vulnerability in their patient mix
- Others argue that adjusting performance scores for social risk accepts a lower standard of care for socially at-risk populations, masking low performance with statistical adjustments
- Satisfying these seemingly divergent views: Adjust payment rather than performance scores
 - Up-front payments
 - Multipliers on performance payments





Let's Talk!

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Presentation: Ideal Components of Value-Based Kidney Care Programs

Observations and Thoughts from the Renal Physicians Association

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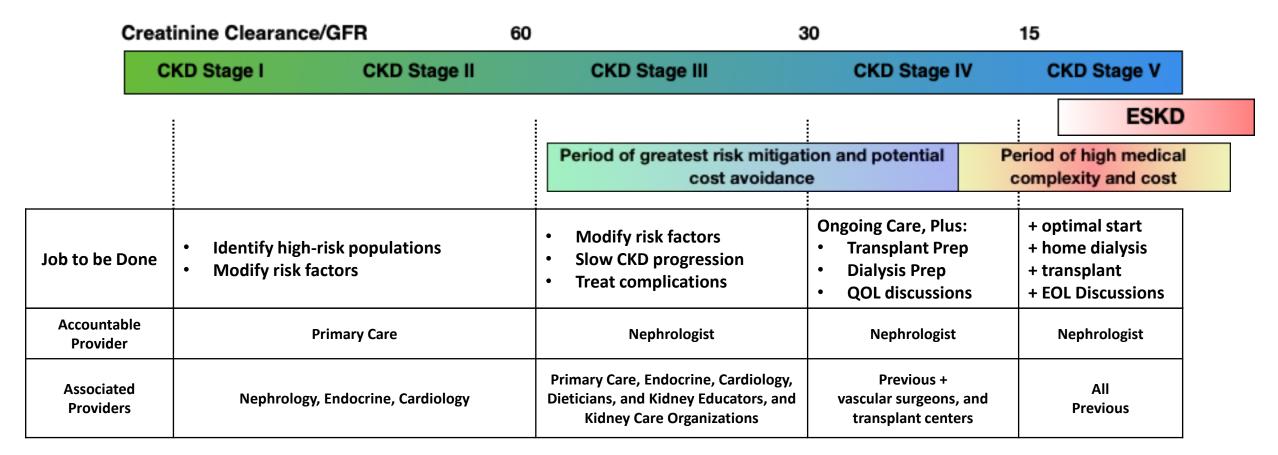
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Reference: Kidney Disease Vocabulary

Acronym or Shortened Phrase	Expanded Form	Definition in this Presentation
CKD	Chronic Kidney Disease	Diminished kidney function as measured by eGFR (estimated glomerular filtration rate) - a calculation based on age, gender, and serum creatinine. Education, risk factor modification, and patient engagement are key associated services.
ESRD or ESKD	End-stage renal or kidney disease	The physiologic state in which a patient's kidneys no longer function well enough to sustain them. These patients require dialysis or transplant to remain alive.
Optimal Start	Optimal Dialysis Start	Initiating a patient on dialysis in an outpatient setting on either peritoneal dialysis or on hemodialysis without a central venous catheter
QOL/EOL Discussions	Quality of Life and End of Life	Discussions with a patient about expected functional status, health and life goals, and length of life
CKD Education	Chronic Kidney Disease Education	Educating a patient about the various options available for managing end- stage kidney disease and necessary diet and risk factor modification. Promotes optimal starts, home dialysis, and transplant preparation
Kidney Care Companies	Value-based kidney care companies that may offer dialysis services	Companies accepting financial risk for co-managing (with nephrologists) patients with kidney disease. They offer a range of care coordination services and may also provide dialysis.

Successfully Managing Kidney Disease is a Logistics Problem



- CKD has a non-linear progression
- Claims data can link patients to physicians and events
- Care requires multiple coordinating specialties and organizations
- Nephrologists should be the "quarterback"

Kidney Disease Works Well as a TCoC Model

Points of Alignment	Examples
Significant financial savings opportunities	 \$100K/yr for dialysis vs. \$15K/yr for transplant (after \$150K in year 1) Dialysis w/ an optimal Start is ~\$30K less costly than unplanned dialysis
Highly prevalent disease state	30-40 million individuals with CKD/ESKD
Long lead time	Typically, years from CKD to ESKD
Well defined patient population	 Quantitative, simple, and validated measurement of disease state (eGFR) A clear set of CPT-labeled services and ICD-10 codes (stages of CKD)
Measurable and cost-effective treatments/outcomes	 Risk Factor Modification Transplant Dialysis Education/Preparation Palliative Care
Reasonable attribution	 Attribution through claims Claims can be used to identify associated services and the timing of services Reasonably accurate day and physician for dialysis initiation data (2728 form)

Ideal Components of a Kidney Disease Payment Model

Actor	Idealized Goal or Characteristic
CMS/Payers	 Improve outcomes in kidney patients; increase home dialysis and transplant rates Reduce costs of caring for kidney patients
Patients and Care Givers	 Incentivize to participate and engage in the program Address regional and local healthcare disparities (transportation, food, access to care, etc.)
Nephrologists/Providers	 Allow for time to transform/adapt work to non-FFS care delivery Reward processes AND outcomes of care - measures specific to kidney disease Achievable quality benchmarks and moderate discounts to attract broader participation Quality bonuses for addressing healthcare disparities
Nephrology Practices	 Allow time, resources, and personnel to embrace data-driven and non-RVU care Allow time to partner with other providers Flexible risk-sharing opportunities
Kidney Care Companies	 Reward process and outcome of value-based arrangement performance Safe harbors to partner with referral sources and offer variable shared-risk Time to develop data tools and interoperability
Other Specialties and Health Systems	 Safe harbors to improve focus on the subset of kidney-specific procedures and patients Resources to incent participation

Successful Features and Roles in Value-Based Care

Ideal:	Nephrologists and Neph Practices	Kidney Care Organizations	Health Systems and Payers	Patients and Care Providers
Clinical Actions	Provides direct patient care decisions and leads pop health decisions	Provides at-scale care coordination, technical, and logistics support	Provides data and <i>some</i> care, logistics, and care coordination	Open to communication, education, and engagement
Admin Role	Receives IT, gathers data, and front-line administrative direction	Provides IT, analytics, and administrative support	Provides data, ADT notifications, and partnership	Vocal about needs and advocacy
Features	 Meaningful Reward Moderate Risk Minimal up-front investment Simplified reporting and accountability burdens 	 Meaningful Reward Meaningful Risk Larger initial and ongoing investment Time for contract and IT development 	 Some Reward Limited additional risk Minimal investment Interoperability is critical 	 Understands the benefits of participating Experiences minimal disruptions to care relationships



Thank you

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Appendix Slides

Typical Timelines in Value-Based Care

Action	Timeline/Examples
Aggregating and signing agreements between practices, kidney care organizations and related providers	2-6 months for negotiations and agreement signing
IT software development	 6-12 months for minimally viable product from program detail finalization and defining requirements Ongoing refinement to meet specific workflows and functionality
Patient engagement	 Typically, weeks to months to engage patients in program enrollment and consent
High Risk Patient Identification	 Various lab-data and claims-based risk formulas can estimate risk of progression to ESKD between 12 months and 5 years into the future. Optimal care may not result in a measurable change in an individual patient during a single calendar year.
Measurable outcomes	Both process and outcomes must be considered to capture the impact of care given prolonged timelines to ESKD

17 Years of Value-Based Care Programs for Patients with Kidney Disease

