

# NACHC/NCQA PCMH Technical Assistance Part 2

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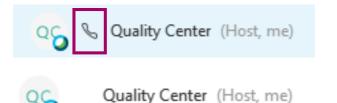
The National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) was founded in 1971 to promote efficient, high quality, comprehensive health care that is accessible, culturally and linguistically competent, community directed, and patient centered for all.





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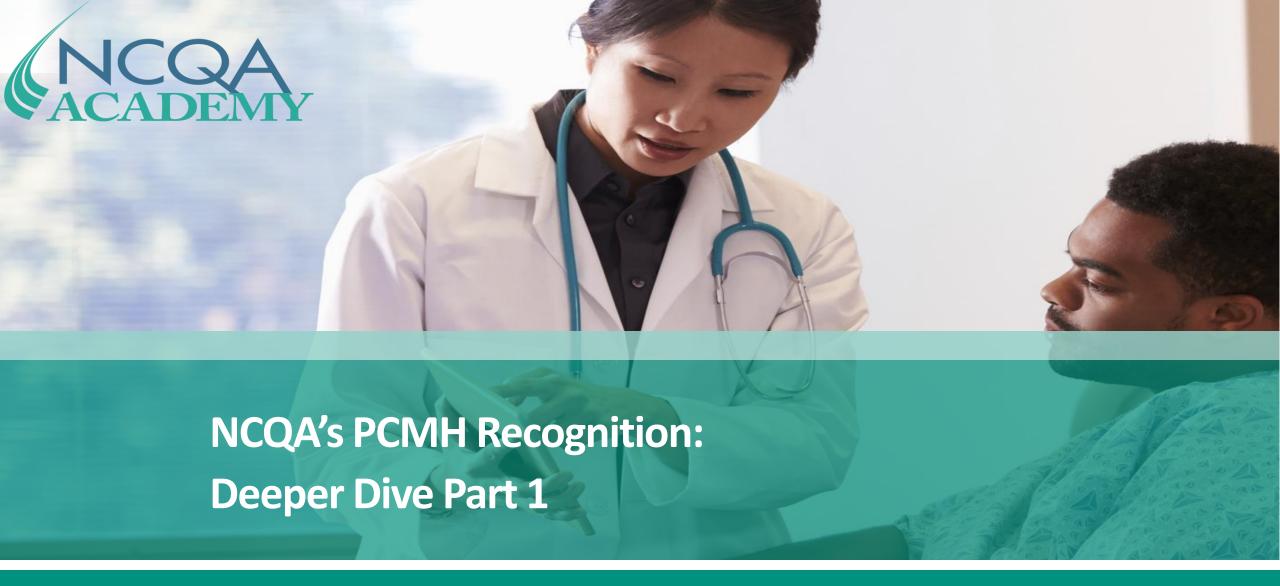
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# What we do, and why

**OUR MISSION** 

To improve the quality of health care

#### **OUR METHOD**

- Measurement
  - We can't improve what we don't measure

- Transparency
  - We show how we measure so measurement will be accepted

- Accountability
- Once we measure, we can expect and track progress



#### **PCMH**

# Concept Overviews: Challenges and Strengths



#### **PCMH Standards**

Concepts



Team-Based Care and Practice Organization

- Practice leadership
- Care team responsibilities
- Orientation of patients/ families/caregivers



Knowing and Managing
Your Patients

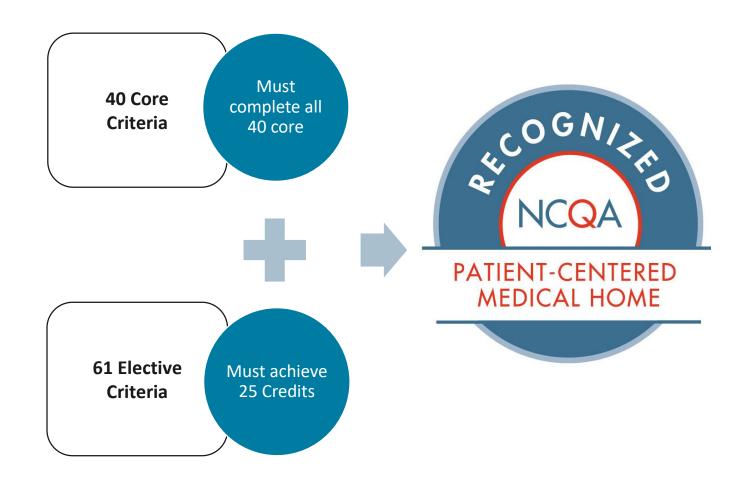
- Data collection
- Medication reconciliation
- Evidence-based clinical decision support
- Connection with community resources



Patient-Centered Access and Continuity

- Access to practice and clinical advice
- Care continuity
- Empanelment

# **PCMH** Recognition Scoring





# TC Challenges

- •"Who's going to do all this?"
  - NCQA agnostic about team set up
  - Utilize clinically appropriate staff of all kinds
- •TC 04: Patient/family/caregiver Involvement in Governance
  - Can use BoD, but must show interaction
- •TC 07: Staff Involvement in Quality Improvement
  - Representation of all staff levels vital
  - May want to occasionally narrow staff type to get authentic input

# TC Strengths

#### •HRSA Alignment:

- Clinical Staffing requirement
  - Team members working "at top of their license"
  - Defined roles & responsibilities
- Medical Emergency Coverage (During/After Office Hours)
  - Patients know whom/how to contact
- Quality Improvement
  - Staff members provide oversight & input to QI program

#### •TC 09: Medical Home Information

• Educate & Inform patient populations in best suited manners/means

# KM Challenges

#### •KM 10: Assess Language Needs

Multiple languages spoken can mean multiple translation options/methods

#### •KM 12: Proactive Outreach

- Outreach challenging for populations w/out settled phone #s/address
  - Can adapt outreach methods to meet patient needs (e.g., mobile vans)
- KM 14: Medication Reconciliation
  - Must be for all transitions of care (i.e., any outside provider)
  - Identifying no prescriptions from outside provider = reconciliation
- KM 26: Community Resource List
  - Internal resources acceptable, but some external expected



### KM Strengths

#### HRSA Alignment

Needs Assessment

#### **•UDS Alignment**

- Identify & quantify patient populations
  - Demographics & characteristics
- Selected Diagnoses
  - Predominant Conditions

#### Dental Integration

Can achieve elective credits in KM 05 and KM 23

# AC Challenges

#### •AC 02: Same-Day Appointments

- Scheduling with complex populations (e.g., those facing homelessness).
  - NCQA requirement at least 1 scheduled appointment/day
  - Conversation w/ reviewer on complex populations flexibility to meet patient needs

#### •AC 03: Appointments Outside Business Hours

- Can't extend past 40-hour week (e.g., union rules, rural practices)
- Can shift hours to maintain 8 hour/day but outside 8 5.

#### AC 06: Alternative Appointments

- Telephonic/Telehealth
- Scheduled
- Replace 1:1 provider/patient visit



### **AC Strengths**

#### HRSA Alignment

- Needs Assessment
- Accessible Locations & Hours of Operation
- Medical Emergency Coverage (During/After Office Hours)

#### UDS Alignment

- Utilization by Staff Category
- Utilization by Service Category

#### •AC 11: Patient Visits with Clinician/Team

- Practices that use team approach several providers serving same panel
  - can assess continuity via team approach



# Criteria Evidence Options



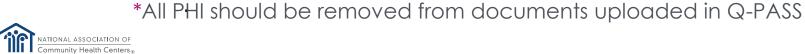
- Documents\* (upload for off-site review)
- Weblinks
- Text



- Reports (create in advance)
- System demo
- Patient examples



Practice decision\*

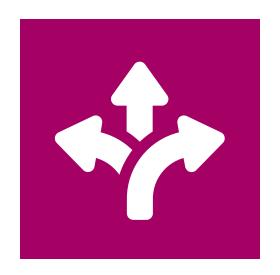






# "We Have Different Evidence"

- Flexibility is encouraged
- Suggested evidence not exhaustive
- Meet intent in creative ways
- Not sure? Ask NCQA



# **Questions & Ideas**

Questions spark discussion...

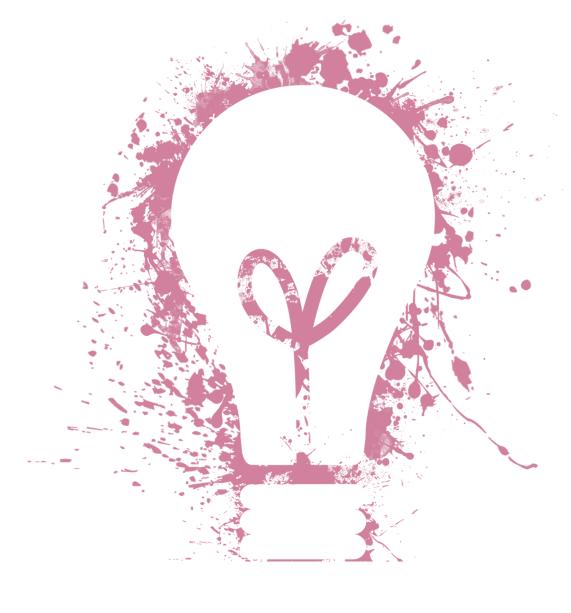
Discussion shares ideas
Ideas spark innovation

Use "chat"



Raise your hand





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#### Pre-Reading:

Standards & Guidelines

#### **Concept Areas:**

- Care Management and Support
- Care Coordination and Care Transitions
- Performance Measurement and Quality Improvement





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