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# Elevate *Learning Forum*

*Quality Improvement Strategy*

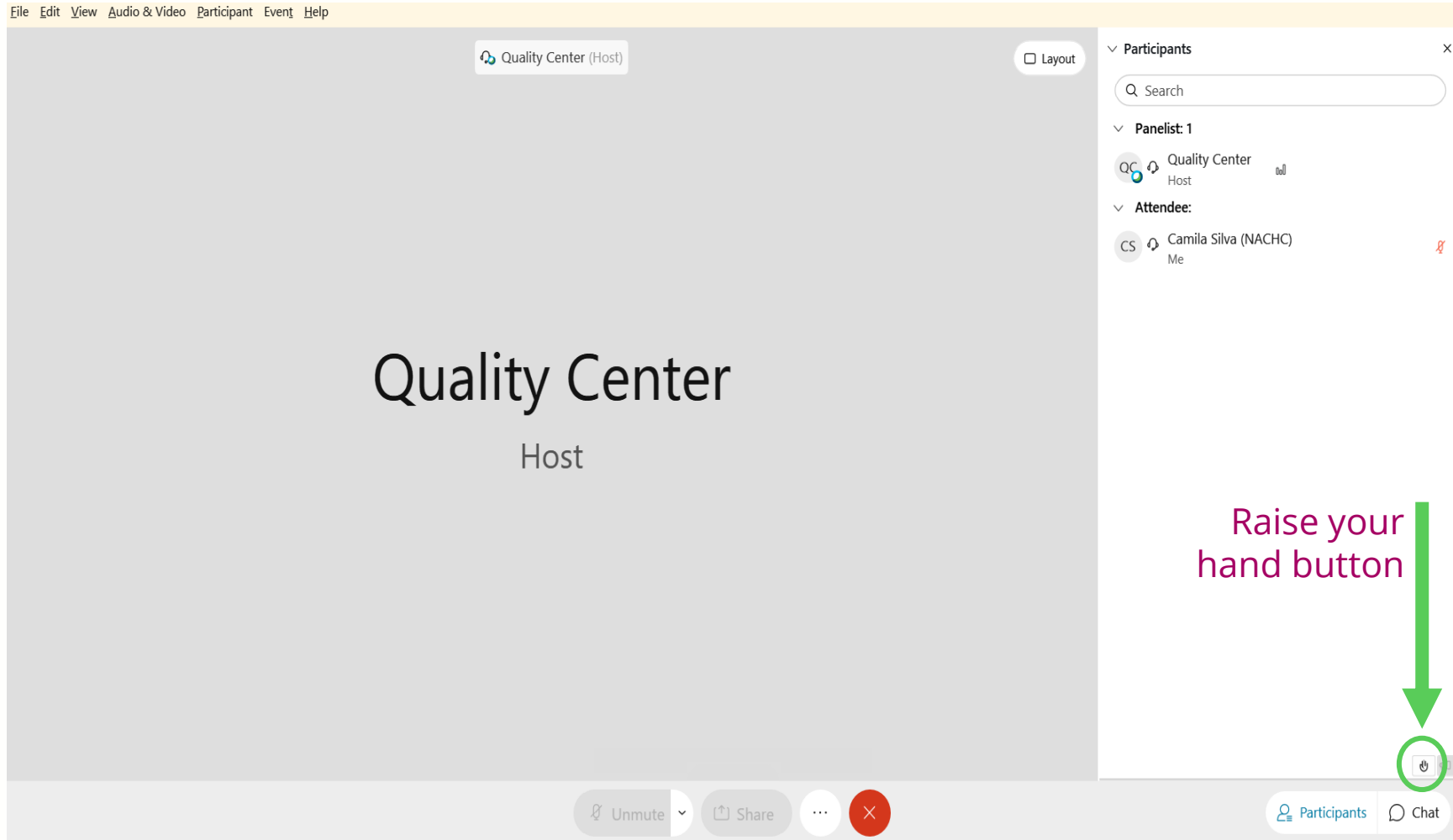
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# THE NACHC MISSION

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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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- **Questions:** Send to the chat as you have them; there will be a Q&A and discussion at the end.
- **Resources:** If there is a topic where you have a tool/resource to share, let us know in the chat!

Raise your hand button

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# Packaging and implementing evidence-based transformational strategies for safety-net providers

*Bringing science, knowledge, and innovation to practice*



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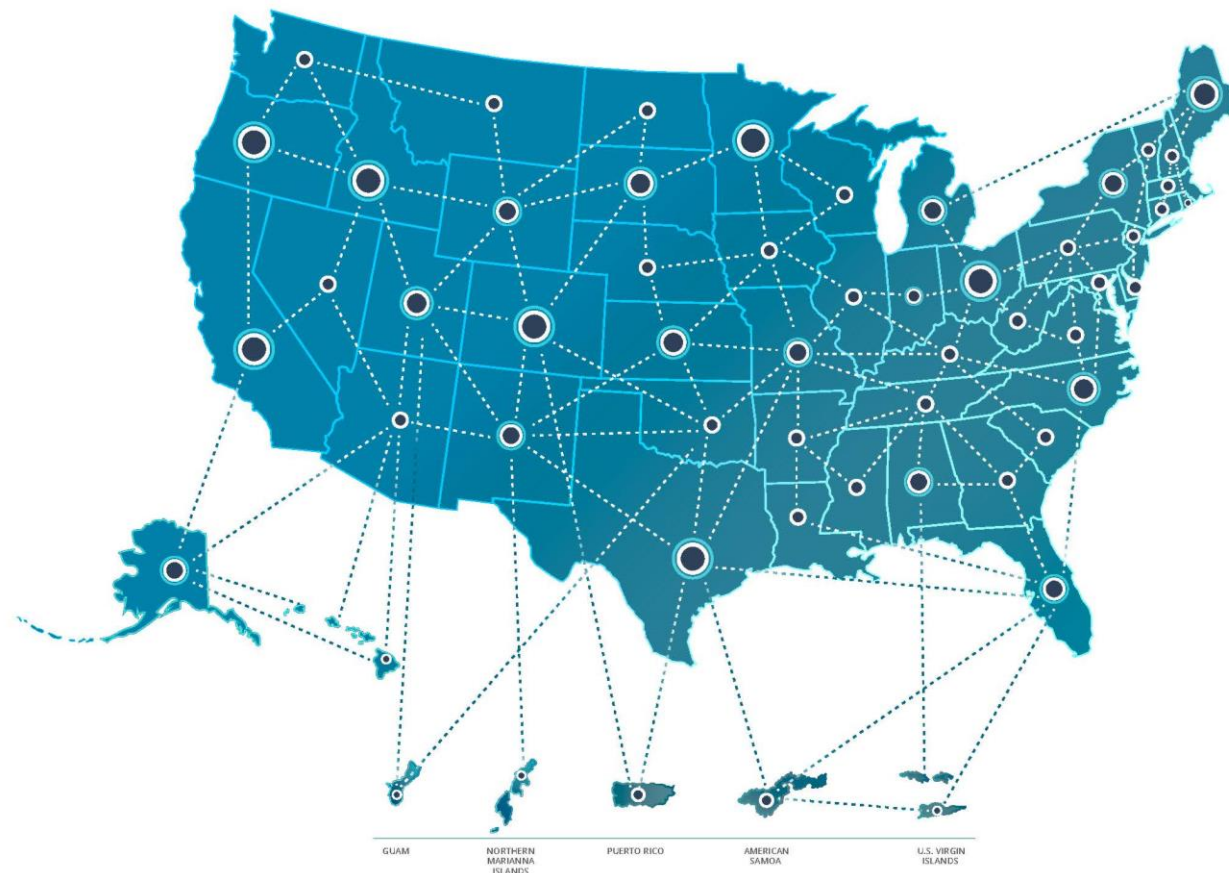
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# Our Community: ELEVATE 2022



**All**

States & Territories

**600+**

Health Centers

**70+**

PCAs/HCCNs/NTTAPs

**35+**

CDC Grantees

**6,000+**

Peers

**15 mil**

Patients

# 2022 Featured Health Centers

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HEALTH



NEW  
HEALTH  
North End • Charlestown

Fish River  
RURAL HEALTH

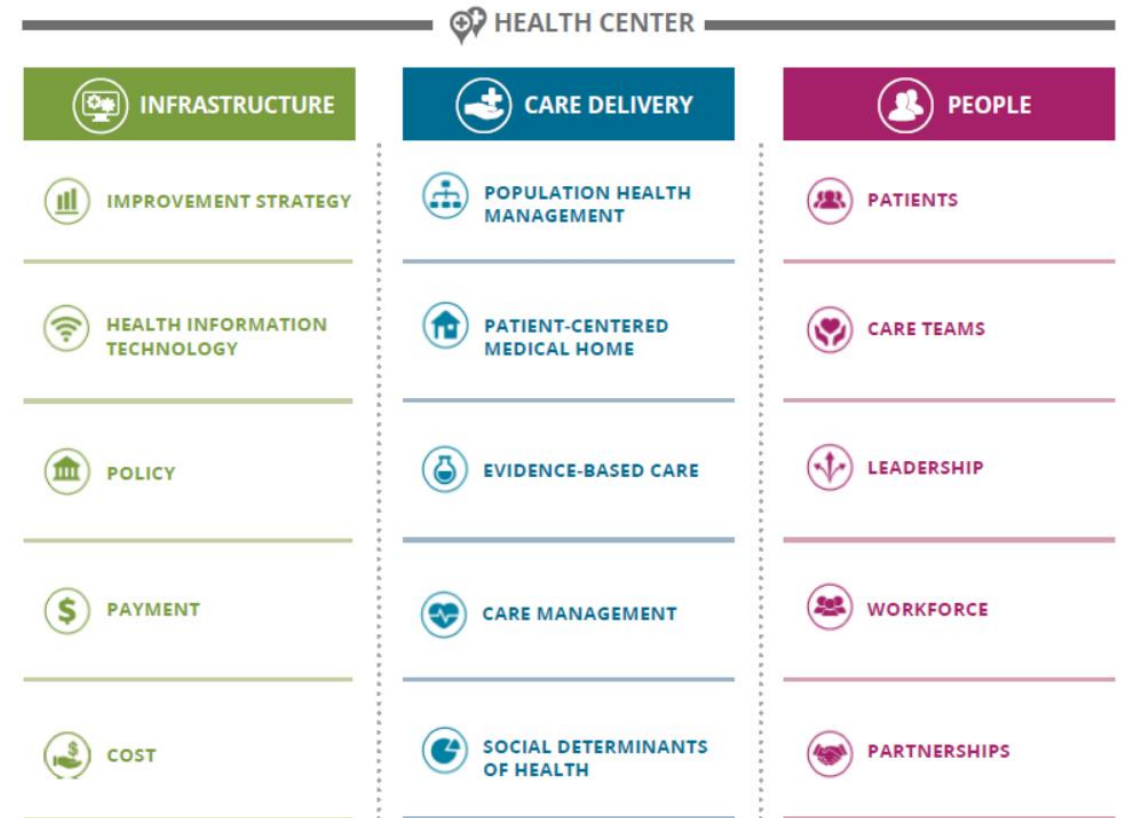


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HEALTH  
COMMUNITY  
HEALTH  
CENTERS

*In the top 20 health centers nationally when looking at composite performance across measures for prevention and/or control of six high-cost, high burden conditions (2019 UDS): colorectal cancer, cervical cancer, HTN, diabetes, depression, & obesity*



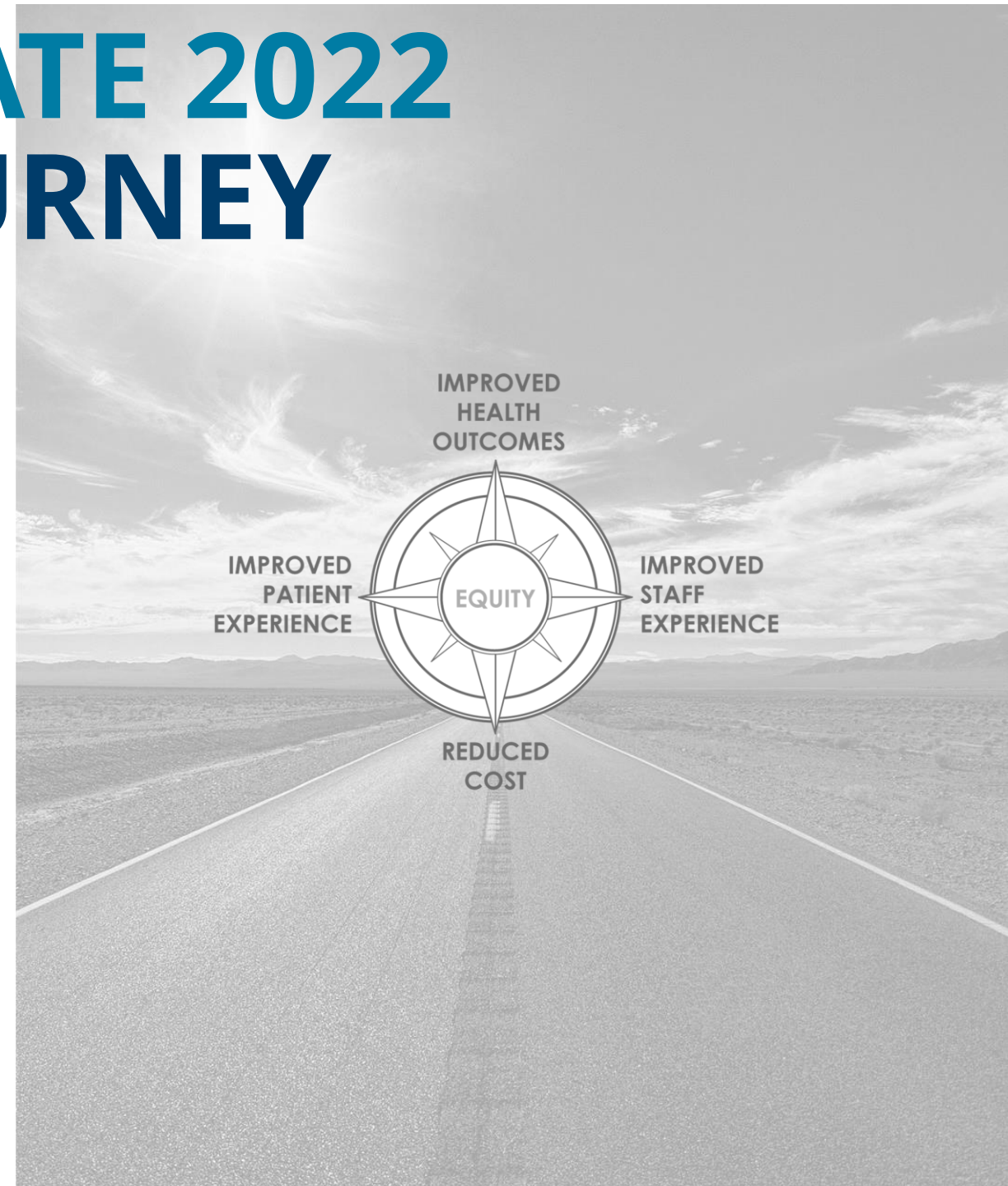
# Value Transformation Framework



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# ELEVATE 2022 JOURNEY

- Leadership
- Empanelment
- Population Health: Risk Stratification
- Payment
- Care Teams
- Care Management
- Evidence-Based Care
- Improvement Strategy**
- Social Drivers of Health (SDOH)
- Workforce
- Health Information Technology
- Patients
- Partnerships
- Policy
- Cost
- Patient-Centered Medical Home





# Systems Approach to QI/QA

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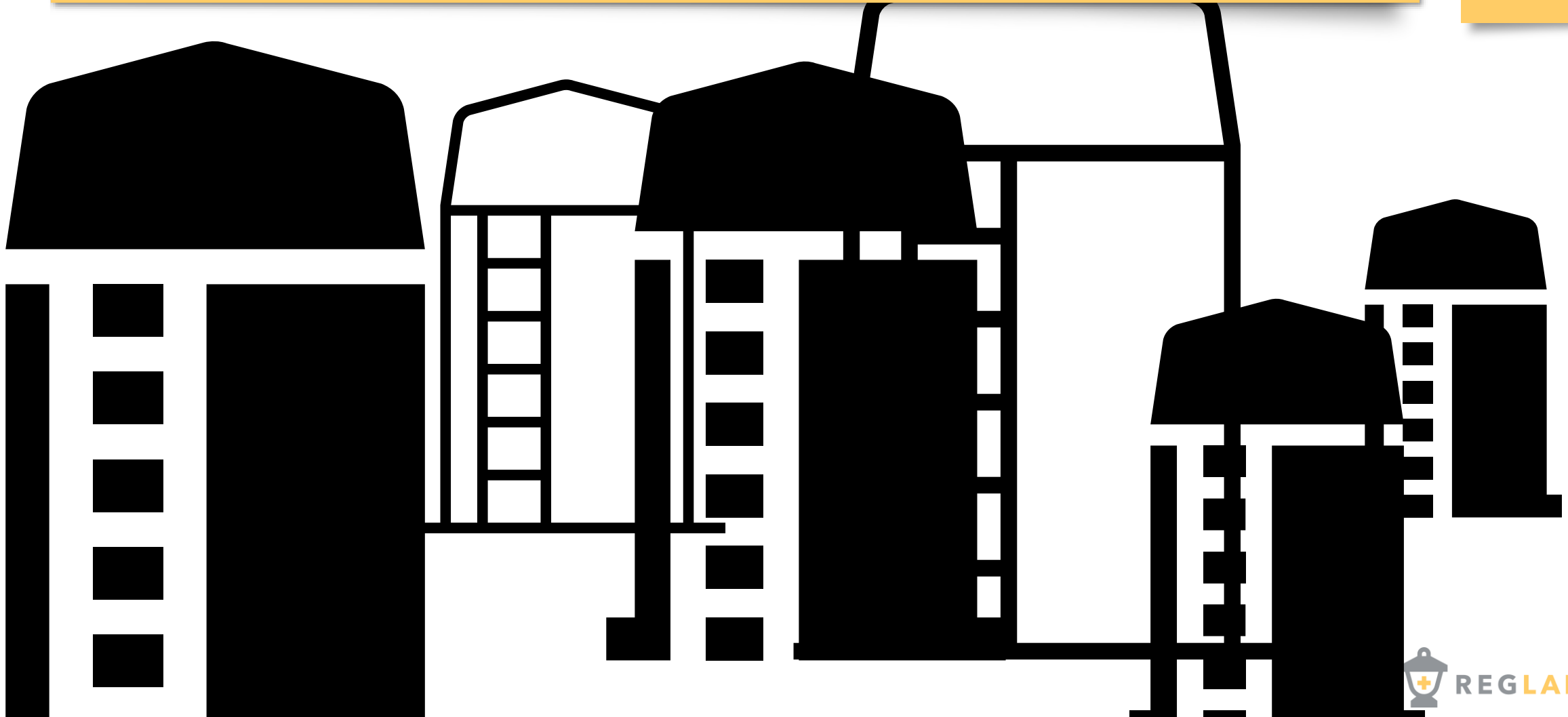
# Systems Approach to QI/QA

- Time and resources are limited
- There are numerous “silos” and overlapping requirements
- Efficiency and coordination is key!

# Example: Evaluating Clinical Quality

- C/P: “Current Clinical Competence”
- QI/QA: Quarterly Assessments (UDS, quality metrics, etc.)
- QI/QA: Quarterly Assessments of Clinician Care (“Peer Review”)
- QI/QA: Patient Satisfaction Results
- QI/QA: Patient Safety and Adverse Events (“Incident Reports”)

# Siloed and Inefficient Work



# Siloed and Inefficient Work



Human Resources  
**Reference  
Letters**



Quarterly Clinician  
**Peer Review**



Quarterly  
**Quality  
Assessments**



Clinical Staff  
**Current Clinical  
Competence**



Patient Satisfaction  
**Surveys**



Patient Safety  
**Incident  
Reports**



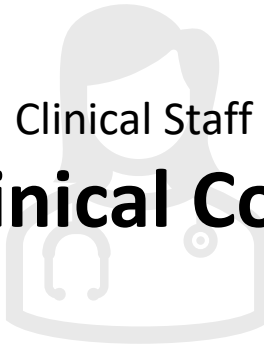
# A Systems Approach To QI/QA

(which also meets HRSA Compliance Requirements)



Quarterly

## Quality Assessments



Clinical Staff

## Current Clinical Competence



Quarterly Clinician

## Peer Review



Human Resources

## Reference Letters



Patient Satisfaction

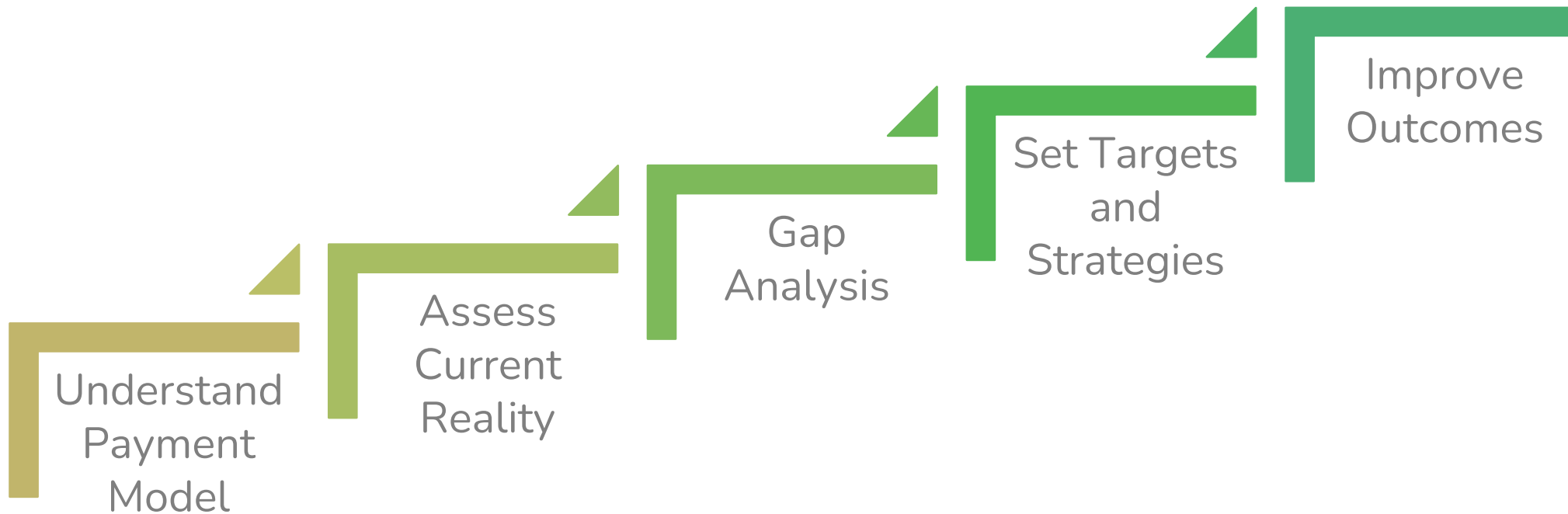
## Surveys



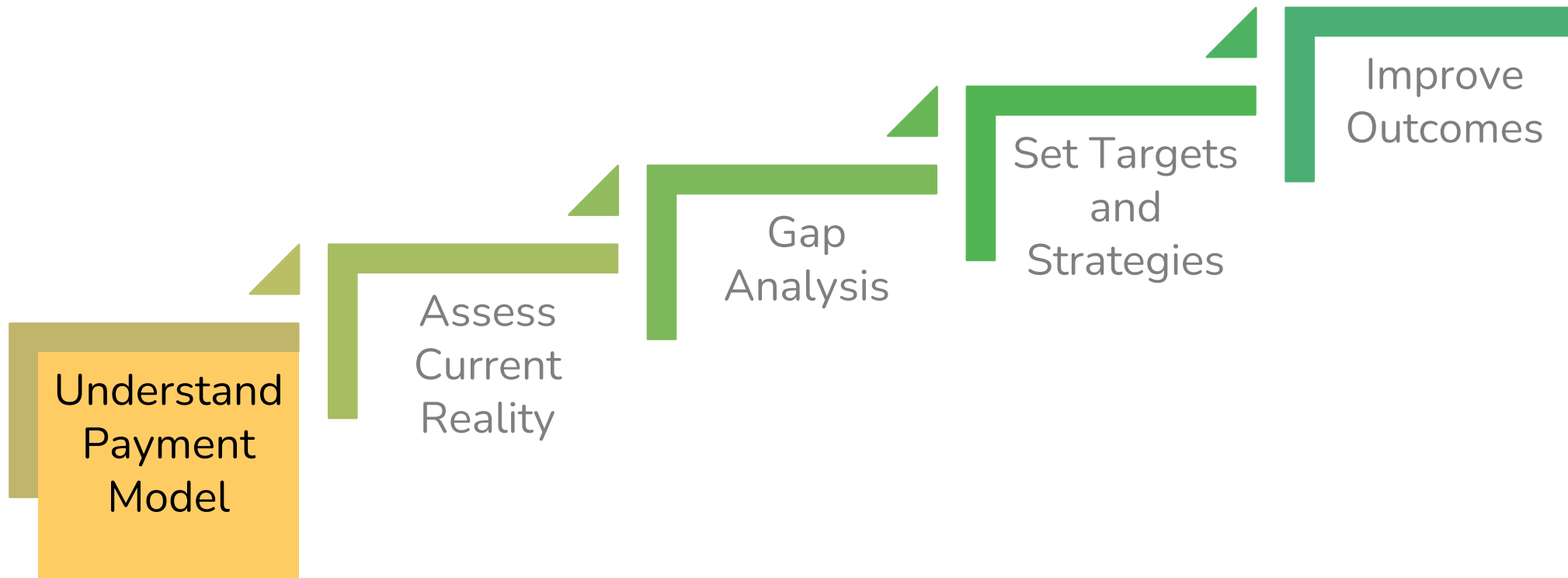
Patient Safety

## Incident Reports

# Consider Quality/Value-Based Care (VBC) Incentives



# Analysis Process: Quality/VBC Incentives



# Assess the Current Reality



What are the potential incentives worth?



How are we performing on the measures?

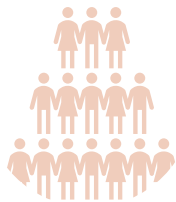


Root Cause Analysis

# Gap Analysis



How many patients are required to meet measures threshold?



How much work is required?



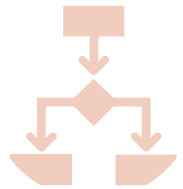
Assess strategies that address Infrastructure, Care Delivery, and People



# Set Targets and Strategies



Set goals for each measure selected for intervention

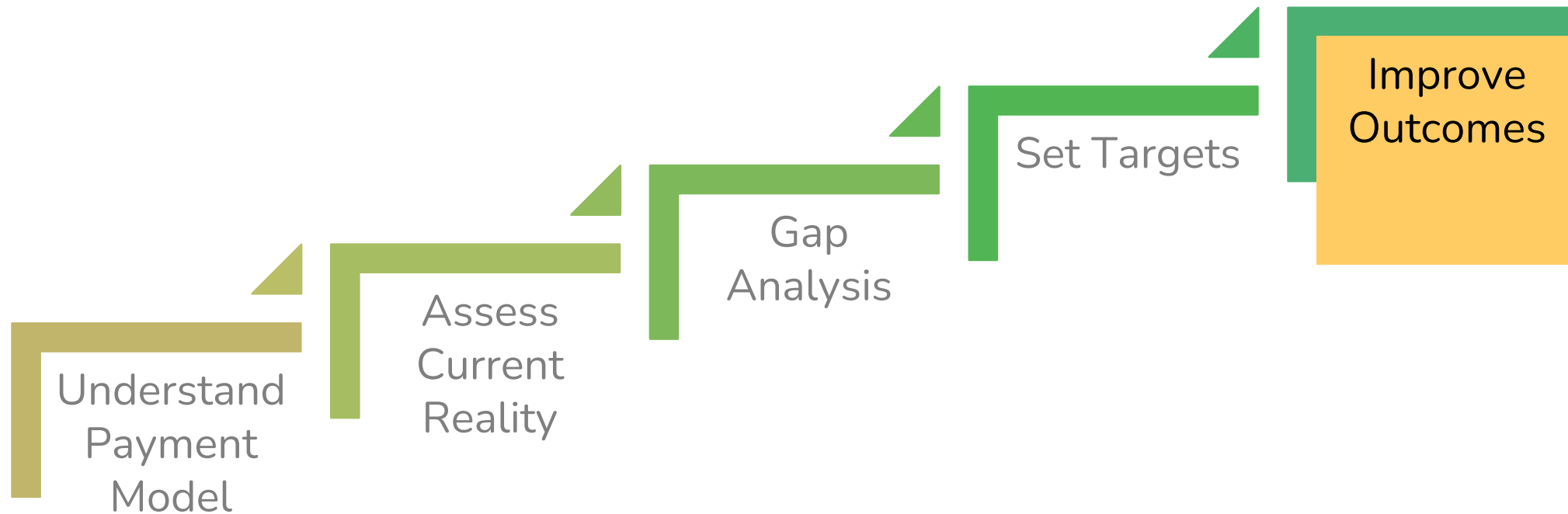


Perform optimization or expert review to select measures

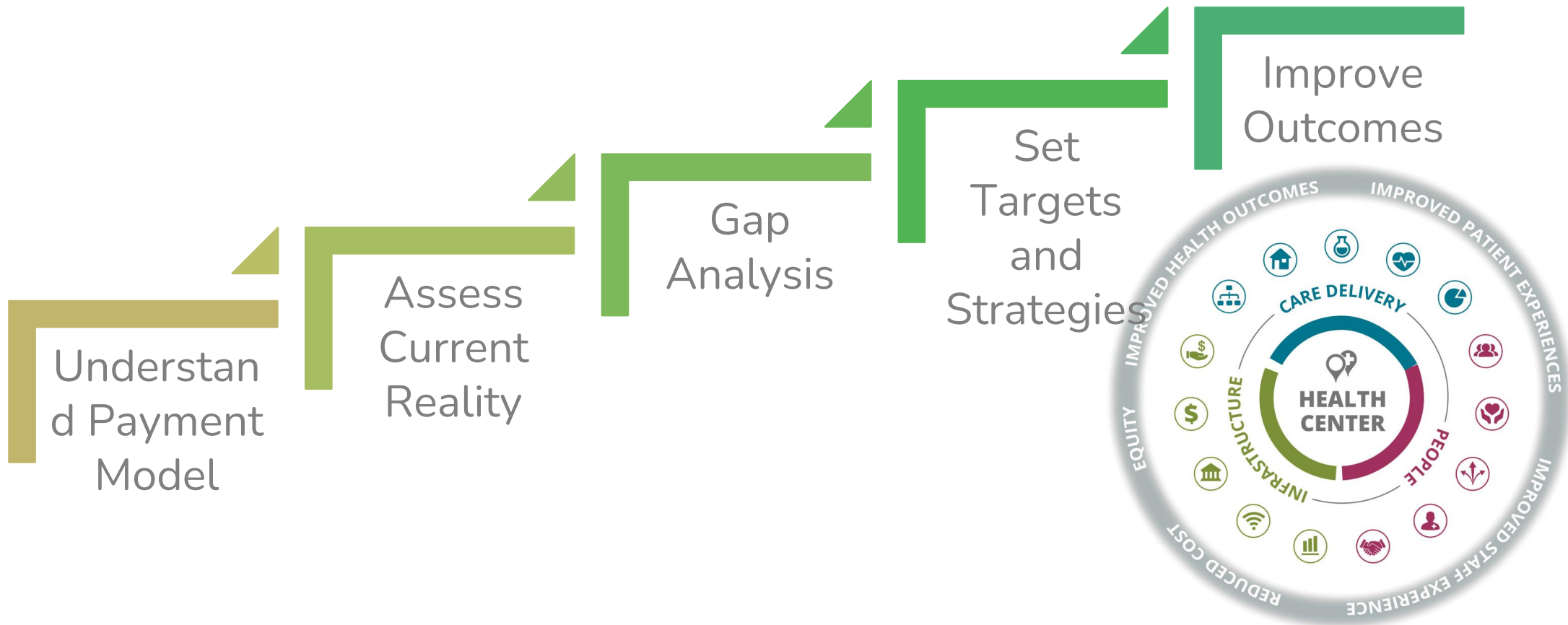


Identify themes and recognize areas of synergy

# Analysis Process: Quality/VBC Incentives




# Quality/VBC Incentive Analysis Process





# Digging Deep on Strategies


## INFRASTRUCTURE

 **IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY**  
Effectively and routinely measure and communicate information about the quality, value, and outcomes of the health care experience and use this information to drive improved performance.


 **HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
Leverage health information technology to track, improve, and manage health outcomes and costs.

 **POLICY**  
Pursue decisions, plans, and actions that help secure support and resources for health centers and expand access for underserved populations.


 **PAYMENT**  
Utilize value-based and sustainable payment methods and models to facilitate care transformation.


 **COST**  
Effectively address the direct and indirect expense of delivering comprehensive primary care to health center patients while considering the total cost of care for attributed patients.


## CARE DELIVERY

 **POPULATION HEALTH MANAGEMENT**  
Use a systematic process for utilizing data on patient populations to target interventions for better health outcomes, with a better care experience, at a lower cost.


 **PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME**  
Employ a model of care that transforms the delivery of primary care into a comprehensive, patient-centered system focused on high quality, accessible, and coordinated care.


 **EVIDENCE-BASED CARE**  
Make patient care decisions using a process that integrates clinical expertise and best-practice research with patient values and self-care motivators.


 **CARE COORDINATION AND CARE MANAGEMENT**  
Facilitate the delivery and coordination of care and manage high-risk and other subgroups of patients with more targeted services, when and how they need it.


 **SOCIAL DRIVERS OF HEALTH**  
Address the social and environmental circumstances that influence patients' health and the care they receive.

## PEOPLE

 **PATIENTS**  
Intentionally and actively incorporate the patient perspective into governance, care system design, and individual care.

 **CARE TEAMS**  
Utilize groups of staff with different skills to work together to deliver and improve care, offering a wider range of services more efficiently than a provider alone.

 **GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP**  
Apply position, authority, and knowledge of leaders and governing bodies (boards) to support and advance the center's people, care delivery processes, and infrastructure to reach transformational goals.

 **WORKFORCE**  
Leverage a trained and fully engaged staff to successfully address the health center's mission and goals, with optimal joy in work.

 **PARTNERSHIPS**  
Collaborate and partner with external stakeholders to pursue the Quadruple Aim.

# Reflection Questions

- What is your reality?
- Does your health center QI strategy:
  - Support VBC transformation?
  - Leverage data to drive improvement?
  - Connect improvement efforts with outcomes?
- Where is training or technical assistance support needed?





# Improvement Strategy



10 MINUTES



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# Microlearning Modules

MODULES	ACTION STEPS	RESOURCES
<p><b>WHAT?</b></p> <p><b>WHY?</b></p> <p><b>HOW?</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 <b>ENSURE</b> policies and procedures are in place</li><li>2 <b>DETERMINE</b> priorities</li><li>3 <b>SELECT</b> measures</li><li>4 <b>DETERMINE</b> measures for active improvement</li><li>5 <b>SET</b> S.M.A.R.T. goals</li><li>6 <b>UTILIZE</b> data dashboards</li><li>7 <b>ASSIGN</b> staff leads</li><li>8 <b>INITIATE</b> improvement activities</li><li>9 <b>ENSURE</b> timely progress</li><li>10 <b>MEET GOALS</b> and repeat steps</li></ol>	 <p><a href="#">VTF Resources</a></p>

# Improvement Strategy



**WHAT?**



**WHY?**



**HOW?**

# WHAT is a health center Improvement Strategy?



A process to effectively and routinely measure and communicate information about the quality, value, and outcomes of the health care experience and use this information to drive improved performance.



# Improvement Strategy



**WHAT?**



**WHY?**



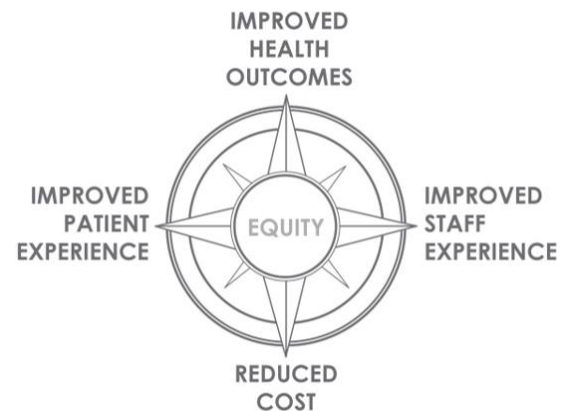
**HOW?**



# WHY is an Improvement Strategy important to value-based care?



- To function as a "learning organization" engaged in continuous quality improvement, with application of evidence-based interventions and promising practices.
- To implement organization-wide, system-level workflow changes that are impactful, measurable, and transformative.
- To achieve improvements to Quintuple Aim goals



# Improvement Strategy



**WHAT?**



**WHY?**



**HOW?**

# STEP 1

## *ENSURE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ARE IN PLACE*



The health center has operating procedures or processes that address the following:

- ✓ Adhering to current evidence-based clinical guidelines, standards of care, and standards of practice
- ✓ Identifying, analyzing, and addressing patient safety and adverse events
- ✓ Assessing patient satisfaction
- ✓ Hearing and resolving patient grievances;
- ✓ Completing periodic QI/QA assessments on at least a quarterly basis to inform modifications in the provision of health center services
- ✓ Producing and sharing reports on QI/QA to support decision-making and oversight by key management staff and by the governing board

For complete guide to requirements, visit: [HRSA Quality Improvement/Assurance](#)

# STEP 2

## DETERMINE PRIORITIES



Align with strategic priorities and use data to inform your QI plan:

- ✓ Health center strategic plan
- ✓ Community needs assessments
- ✓ UDS data
- ✓ Payor data



Helpful Resource: [Board Oversight of Quality During COVID-19](#)

# STEP 3

## SELECT MEASURES



QI plans are not JUST for UDS measures! **In addition to UDS**, consider also including measures for:

### Empanelment

- 'Actual' versus 'Right' panel size

### Access

- Third next available
- Continuity of care
- Appropriate schedule utilization

### Care management

- Number of encounters
- Number of enrollments

### Experience

- Patient experience
- Staff experience

### Payor CQMs

- May be different than UDS measures
  - Attributed patients may differ from UDS patients
  - Payor may use a different CQM

### Risk management

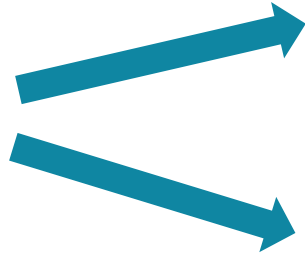
- Occurrences
- Open referrals
- Open labs/tests
- IT security risk assessments
- Safety assessments

# STEP 4

## *DETERMINE MEASURES FOR ACTIVE IMPROVEMENT*



Divide selected measures into



Measures you will **actively work to improve**

Measures you will **monitor**

- Measures selected for active improvement will be the subject of data analysis and workflow development/improvement. Goals will be set, and QI methods will be actively utilized to improve performance.
- Measures selected to be monitored will be included on data dashboards and reports but may not have goals set or be the subject of active improvement.

# STEP 5

## SET S.M.A.R.T. GOALS



**SPECIFIC**

**MEASURABLE**

**ATTAINABLE**

**RELEVANT**

**TIME-BOUND**

- Set goals for measures selected for active improvement.
- To help you focus your efforts and set effective and achievable goals use the **S.M.A.R.T. Goals** methodology.



Helpful Resource: [CDC Develop SMART Objectives](#)

## STEP 6

### *UTILIZE DATA DASHBOARDS TO VISUALIZE PERFORMANCE AGAINST GOALS*



Optimize your Electronic Health Record or Population Health Management System to create data dashboards.



Data dashboards help to visualize real-time, current measure performance against measure goals.



Increases transparency in data and effectiveness of performance improvement.



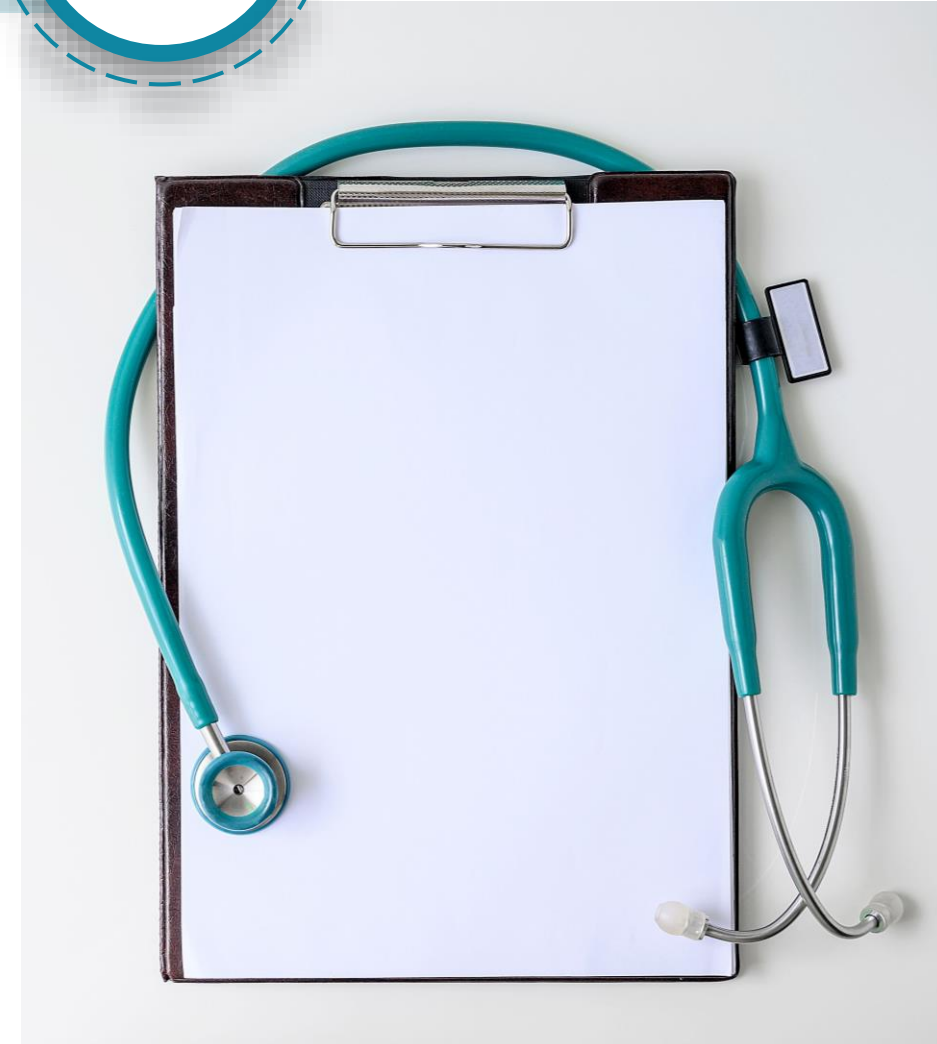
# STEP 7

## ASSIGN STAFF LEADS



While quality improvement requires a team approach, assigning staff member leads helps to organize efforts:

- Who will be responsible for reporting/managing data dashboards?
- Who will be responsible for leading process improvement activities?
- Who will be responsible for providing progress updates at huddles/staff meetings?



# STEP 8

## INITIATE IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES



1. Is your data complete and accurate?
2. Is there a workflow in place?
3. Use QI tools and strategies to improve performance
  - PDSA
  - FMEA
  - RCA



Helpful Resource: [IHI Quality Improvement Essentials Toolkit](#)

# STEP 8

## INITIATE IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES



Leverage NACHC resources available on NACHC's [Docebo online learning platform](#)

### Action Guide



- Empanelment
- Risk Stratification
- Models of Care
- Cancer Screening
- Diabetes
- Hypertension
- Care Management
- Patients
- Care Teams
- Leadership

- Empanelment
- Risk Stratification
- Models of Care
- Cancer Screening
- Annual Wellness Visits
- Transitional Care Management
- Care Management Billing and Coding
- Care Teams



### PAYMENT Reimbursement Tips

- Behavioral Health Integration
- Chronic Care Management
- Annual Wellness Visits
- Medicare Telehealth Services
- Psychiatric Collaborative Care Model
- RPM & Self-Measured Blood Pressure
- Tobacco Cessation Counseling
- Transitional Care Management
- Virtual Communication Services
- Mental Health Telecommunication Services
- Sliding Coinsurance for Care Management Services

# STEP 9

## ENSURE TIMELY PROGRESS



Regularly share and discuss progress on measures as a team.

- ✓ Huddles
- ✓ Staff meetings
- ✓ QI meetings

Be sure to seek input from staff members whose workflows directly impact measures.

Ensure progress towards goals is being made within timeframe determined. If progress is not being made, return to QI tools such as Root Cause Analysis to assess feasibility of attaining goal.



Helpful Resource: [AMA Team Huddle Checklist](#)

# STEP 10

## *MEET GOALS; REPEAT STEPS*



When goal is met... celebrate! Acknowledge staff members and their work contributing to this improvement.

Then, either increase your goal to continue work on improving the same measure



OR

Select a new measure from the 'monitoring' list to actively focus improvement efforts on.

# Health Center Field Example



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# CHARLES B. WANG COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER



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The Chinatown Health Clinic opened its doors in 1971, run entirely by volunteer doctors, nurses, social workers, community health workers, and students.

The clinic was renamed Charles B. Wang Community Health Center in 1999. It has continuously expanded and grown to provide bilingual and bicultural health care services to underserved communities.

**Total Patients Served: 55,510**

UDS Measure	National	Charles B. Wang
Colorectal	42%	68%
Cervical	53%	81%
HTN	60%	70%
BMI	61%	93%
Depression	67%	85%
Diabetes	32%	11%



# QI/QA Program



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## Culture

- **Leadership commitment to QUALITY**
  - Investment of resources & effort
    - Clinical Informatics staff build and generate reports
    - Staff with specific responsibilities for QI/QA support/reporting

## Policies and Procedures

- **Structure**
  - QI/QA Policy
  - Annual QI/QA Work plan

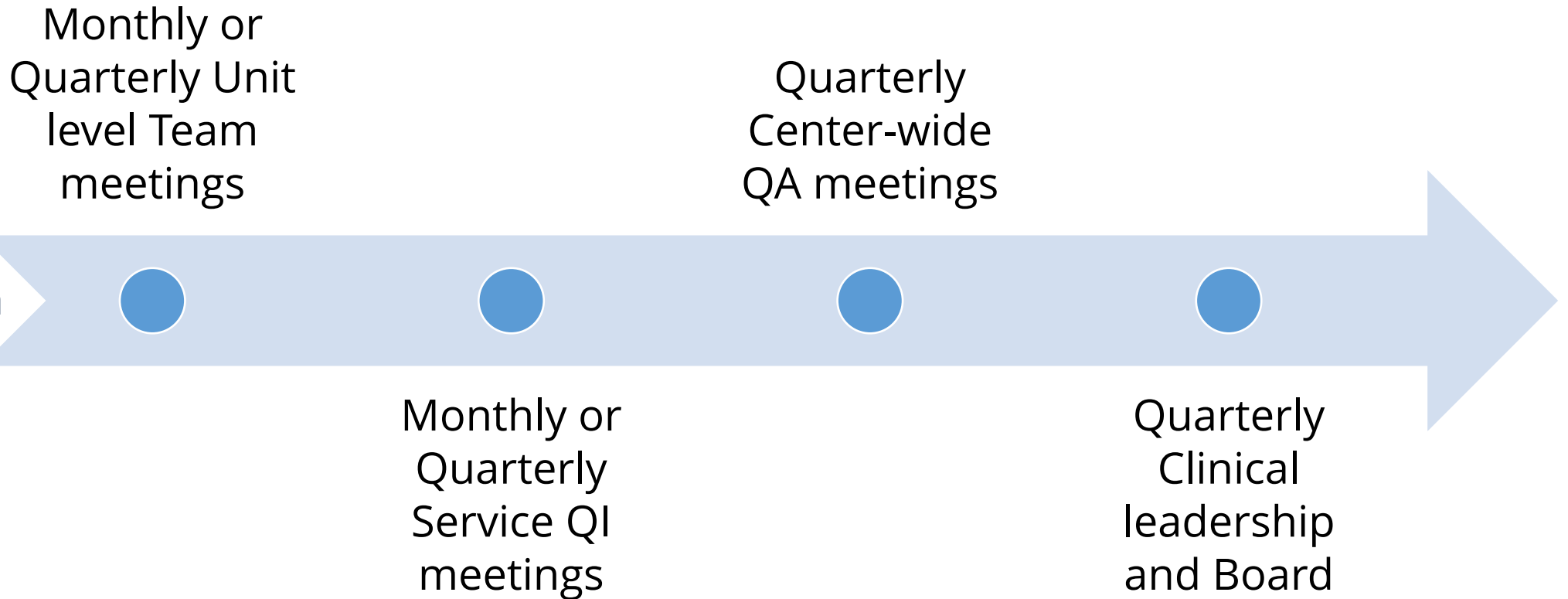


## Structured QI Processes: Reporting & Review



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# Center-wide QA Committee: Quarterly UDS Data Review



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**Ideally, all staff know the basic definitions and what the health center is trying to achieve**

	2019 UDS Report	2020 UDS Report	2021 Q1-Q4 UDS Report	CBWCHC 2019 Goal & HRSA 2022 (3 Year) Goal	NYS 2020 Health Center Average
<b>Prenatal Care</b> - % receiving prenatal care in the 1st trimester	95.16%	94.45% (1140/1207)	<b>96.9% 864/892</b>	90.00%	79.13%
<b>Low Birth Weight</b> - % of births under 2500g	6.22%	5.70% (38/667)	<b>5.7% 29/512</b>	5.00%	8.46%
<b>Cervical Cancer Screening</b> - % women 21-64 with appropriate screening* 2016 obsolete definition	82.25%	78.78% (14244/18080)	<b>81.2% 15941/19635</b>	82.50%	56.64%
<b>Breast Cancer Screening</b> (new measure, revised 2020)	N/A	67.53% (4462/6607)	<b>67.9% 5015/7386</b>	75.00%	52.22%
<b>Weight Assessment and Counseling for Children and Adolescents 3-17</b>	94.40%	91.24% (11895/13037)	<b>91.4% 12542/13715</b>	95.00%	66.78%
<b>Adult Weight Screening / Follow Up</b>	93.76%	92.80% (27376/29499)	<b>93.5% 31859/34079</b>	88.00%	63.18%
<b>Tobacco Use Assessed and Counseled</b>	96.39%	94.71% (28796/30404)	<b>85.7% 29761/34711</b>	97.50%	84.37%
<b>Colon Cancer Screening</b>	67.35%	67.52% (8078/11963)	<b>68.0% 8930/13126</b>	70.00%	46.40%
<b>Immunizations</b> - % of 2 yo received 25 required immunizations (*revised 2016)	81.44%	84.30% (714/847)	<b>83.3% 660/792</b>	82.00%	43.35%
<b>Statin Therapy</b> (*new measure, revised 2019)	69.12%	71.54% (3366/4705)	<b>84.1% 3375/4012</b>	72.00%	67.30%
<b>Ischemic Vascular Disease</b> – on aspirin or other antithrombotic drug use	89.55%	88.70% (722/814)	<b>87.6% 742/847</b>	95.00%	79.19%
<b>Hypertension Control</b> – % under 140/90	80.72%	66.25% (4338/6548)	<b>70.3% 5297/7540</b>	80.00%	60.46%
<b>Diabetes Control</b> - % poorly controlled (Hba1c missing or >9)	10.31%	13.32% (401/3011)	<b>11.0% 353/3209</b>	8.00%	32.10%
<b>Dental</b> - % of children 6-9 at mod or high risk had sealant on 1st permanent molar during yr (*revised 2016)	84.78%	72.22% (52/72)	64.71% 102/129	80.00%	43.70%
<b>MH – Depression Screening</b> and follow up care	84.77%	72.50% (26401/36413)	<b>85.1% 33633/39524</b>	92.50%	64.81%
<b>HIV</b> - New Dx and Linkage to Care	50.00%	100% (1/1)	100% 1/1	100%	87.74%
<b>HIV Screening</b> (new measure, revised 2020)	N/A	52.81% (17321/32801)	<b>56.4% 20091/35604</b>	60.00%	48.14%
<b>Depression Remission at 12 Months</b> (new measure, revised 2020)	N/A	9.09% (26/286)	10.76% 27/251	15.00%	23.43%

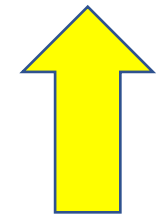
## Track Performance: QI Example - Diabetes Measure



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UDS Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Poor Control	9.16 %	11.40 %	10.31 %	13.32 %	11.00 %

Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Poor Control (source: HRSA/UDS)



## Use Data to Drive Improvement



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### QI Example – Diabetes Measure

	2020			2019			<u>GOAL</u>
	Denominator	Numerator	%	Denominator	Numerator	%	8%
	2638	260	9.86%	3132	323	10.3%	
Site - Dept	Denominator	Numerator	%				
Canal - IM	1416	126	8.9%				
Flushing - IM	1003	80	8.0%				
F45 - IM	186	28	15.1%				
Canal - WH	18	18	100.0%				
Flushing - WH	8	4	50.0%				
Flushing Urology	3	3	100.0%				
CBWCHC	2	1	50.0%				
Canal - CARDIO	1	0	0.0%				
Flushing - PED	1	0	0.0%				

Look at the data and ask questions:

- What do we see?
- Why are some patients not meeting target?

Do the analysis and share the findings



## QI Example – Diabetes Measure

Reasons for no A1c: All Sites

Reason	Number	%
GYN visit(s) only	64	43.2%
Televisit(s) only	51	34.5%
Not ordered	37	25.0%
Ordered, not done	27	18.2%
Switched to outside PCP	17	11.5%
Deceased	5	3.4%
Out of country	4	2.7%
Pulmonology visit(s) only	4	2.7%
Out of state	3	2.0%
Urgent care visit(s) only	3	2.0%
Refused/deferred labs	3	2.0%
F/U with endo	1	0.7%
Outside PCP	1	0.7%
DM diagnosis removed (resolved)	1	0.7%
In Rehab	1	0.7%
APE visit only	1	0.7%
ER F/U only	1	0.7%
IPE late Dec	1	0.7%
# Unique patients	148	

Clinical Informatics and Clinical Units collaborate on generating reports

CBW

	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21
# Active patients in DM Registry	2943	2947	2962	2997	3010	3065	3111	3122
% 2 A1C tests in past 12 months (>=91 days apart)	66.26%	66.27%	71.40%	77.44%	80.83%	83.23%	83.90%	83.79%
Average A1C	6.86%	6.81%	6.89%	6.97%	7.02%	7.05%	7.05%	7.04%
% A1C < 7.0%	53.89%	52.77%	52.53%	52.99%	53.19%	52.76%	53.81%	54.64%
% A1C >= 7.0 and <= 9.0%	36.73%	37.19%	37.85%	37.94%	38.67%	39.22%	38.51%	38.28%
% A1C > 9.0%	5.84%	5.70%	5.98%	6.37%	6.08%	6.43%	6.24%	5.93%
% A1C < 8.0%	82.09%	81.40%	80.62%	81.41%	81.99%	82.41%	83.16%	83.89%
No A1C in the past 12 months	3.53%	4.34%	3.65%	2.70%	2.06%	1.60%	1.45%	1.15%
Average BP	129/77	129/77	129/77	129/77	129/76	128/76	127/76	127/75
% BP < 130/80	40.98%	40.38%	40.55%	42.21%	43.09%	46.56%	48.54%	49.39%
% BP < 140/90	81.82%	82.15%	81.26%	81.35%	82.62%	83.59%	83.86%	84.24%
Average LDL	84.12	83.71	83.73	84.18	84.56	85	85.82	85.85
% LDL < 100 in past 12 months	64.80%	64.40%	65.80%	67.50%	68.31%	68.32%	67.18%	66.98%
Average BMI	26.8	26.8	26.77	26.76	26.76	26.72	26.64	26.62
% BMI < 23 in the past 12 months	18.42%	18.12%	18.47%	18.15%	17.91%	18.30%	18.90%	19.60%
% Microalbuminuria screening in past 12 months	85.73%	85.41%	87.61%	89.92%	91.03%	91.71%	90.97%	90.29%
% Influenza Vaccination in past 12 months	76.32%	76.42%	76.57%	76.64%	76.45%	76.08%	75.15%	74.50%
% Pneumococcal Vaccination ever	92.12%	92.03%	91.53%	90.86%	90.50%	90.21%	90.00%	90.39%
% Depression screening in past 12 months	73.84%	73.63%	74.41%	80.05%	84.35%	86.59%	88.97%	89.91%
% Dilated eye exam in past 12 months	33.61%	32.34%	33.79%	37.14%	40.03%	41.96%	42.75%	42.99%
% Foot exam in past 12 months	58.48%	58.50%	61.58%	65.50%	69.47%	72.37%	73.83%	73.70%
% Dental exam in past 12 months	1.09%	1.29%	1.89%	2.10%	2.09%	2.25%	2.28%	2.21%
% Smoking Assessment in past 12 months	74.89%	74.75%	75.42%	78.18%	80.47%	81.60%	82.45%	81.71%
% Current smokers	8.77%	8.82%	8.88%	9.04%	8.80%	8.97%	9.23%	9.35%
% Smokers received cessation counseling in past 12 months	74.42%	73.46%	73.76%	75.65%	78.87%	79.27%	81.53%	80.48%
% CDE referral ever	34.39%	34.24%	33.93%	33.63%	33.39%	32.79%	32.40%	32.64%
% CDE visit ever	25.38%	25.35%	25.22%	24.96%	24.72%	24.31%	24.04%	24.18%
% Nutrition referral ever	51.10%	50.83%	51.05%	50.88%	50.70%	50.38%	50.02%	50.00%
% Nutrition visit ever	21.27%	21.48%	21.64%	21.65%	21.69%	21.27%	21.22%	21.11%



## 2021 Annual QI Project – Diabetes Measure

### Site A Internal Medicine

Targeted **new** patients & **newly diagnosed** patients who have uncontrolled diabetes with HbA1C > 9%, who are most likely to be **amenable to interventions** of treatment and lifestyle modifications.

### Site B Internal Medicine

Targeted patients with **poor diabetes control** (<9%) who have been poor controlled **for 1 year or more.**

Not everything is a project – sometimes we just try something! We introduced point of care A1c machines – and encouraged teams to use for patients who did not have A1c documented.

# QI Tools: Sample QI Project Progress Report Form



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QI Example:  
Diabetes Measure

Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control (>9%)				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Project Progress Assess actions and describe improvement or other results
<b>Measure Data</b>	7.19% 80 active patients in target population	41/1018=4.03% 82 active patients in target population	36/1137=3.17% 81 active patients in target population	
<b>Action steps to achieve goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ 31 on insulin = 39%</li> <li>❖ 14 refused insulin</li> <li>❖ 34 with diabetic complication</li> <li>❖ 73 non-compliant patients</li> <li>❖ 43 patient with obese</li> </ul>	<p>Net increase of patients= 2</p> <p>35 /82 on insulin = 43% 18/82 refused insulin – 22% 37/82 with diabetic complications = 43% 78/82 non-compliant patients = 95% 46/82 = overweight or obese = 56%</p> <p><u>Overall</u> improved the number and % of patients on insulin, which is a positive outcome.</p> <p>Continuing Care management strategies employed:</p>	<p>34 /81 on insulin = 42% 17/81 refused insulin – 21% 37/81 with diabetic complications = 46% 74/81 non-compliant patients = 91% 45/81 = overweight or obese = 56%</p> <p><b>Continuing Care management strategies employed:</b></p> <p>Intervention regarding home/social service needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Problem solve adherence issues</li> <li>• Locating and referral to community resources</li> </ul>	
1. Use EMR reports to identify patients with uncontrolled diabetes.	<p>Breakdown of target population is above. Rate/number of patients meeting criteria is higher than initial baseline due to more patients returning for onsite visits.</p> <p>Will use patient centered, Individualized care approach: Understanding patient's social behavior changes and</p>			
2. Analyze if any race/ethnic disparity in targeted uncontrolled patients.				
3. Use collaborative care model to identify and case manage patients.				
4. Recall patients with no scheduled appointments in the next 4-6 weeks to follow up with clinician, and/or care manager/CDE.				
5. <u>Monitor medication</u> compliance closely .				

## *Regular Schedule of QI Activities & Expectations*



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### Quarterly **progress meetings**

Clinical director may attend to advise or help with documentation

Project **progress reports** are due quarterly to QI/QA Clinical director and CMO

**Results summarized** quarterly and provided for review by our Board and MDAC\*

\*MDAC – the Medical and Dental Advisory Committee – a standing subcommittee of the governing board.



## Key Takeaways

### **Invest in the program:**

Communicate the importance of QI/QA, designate resources, ensure participation at all levels.

### **Have a process and follow it:**

Establish reporting and set deliverable goals – provide support to get it done!

### **Report to the board and key management:**

QI/QA work is reported to the MDAC/Board. This includes UDS Measures, patient experience data, QI/QA project summaries, risk management data, and peer review results. Dashboards are great if you can do them.

### **Make space to share the lessons learned:**

Every clinical service presents at the QA Committee at least once a year to share PDSAs, findings, and most importantly– lessons learned!



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# Discussion



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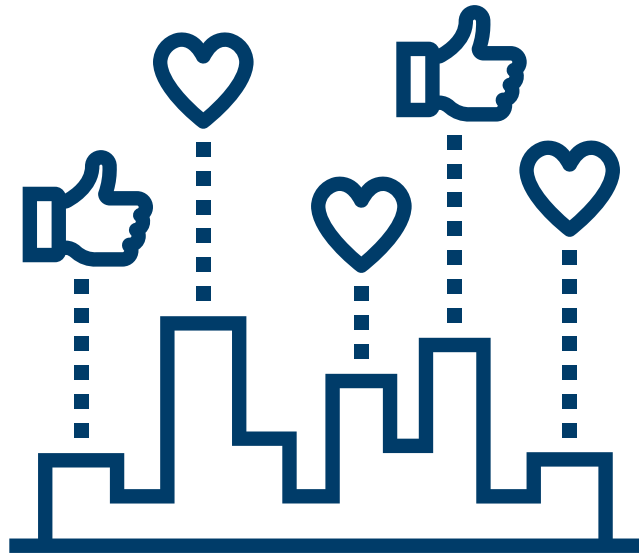
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- Basic Certificate in Quality and Safety



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