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Annual Wellness Visits (AWVs)

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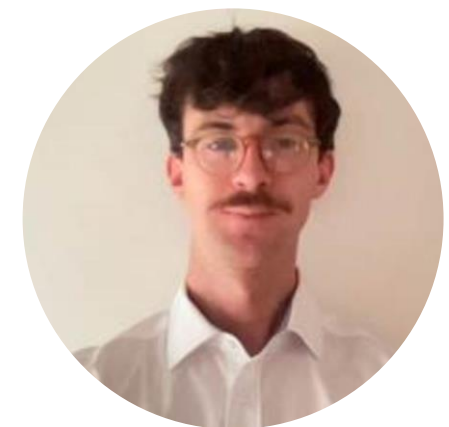
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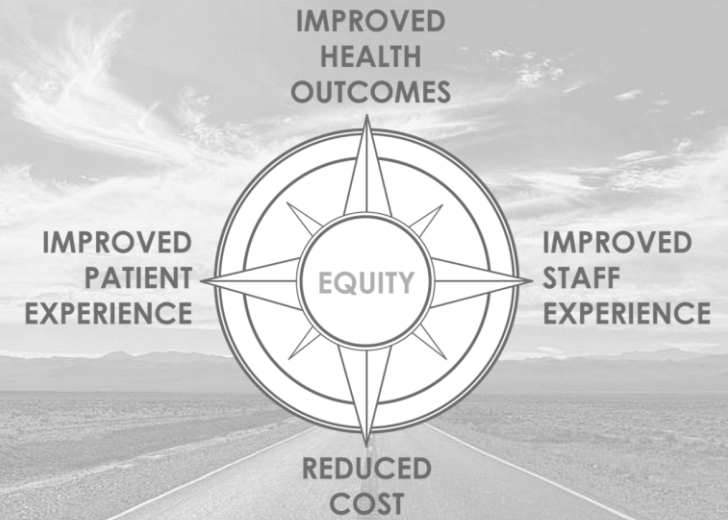
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ELEVATE 2022 JOURNEY

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



Elevate Journey... Your Way

📅 2nd Tuesday, monthly, 1-2 pm



Learning Forum:

- Microlearning
- Field examples
- Human-centered design
- Discussion

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Elevate Connect:

- Gather with peers
- Share & exchange tools
- Discussion

🕒 Self-paced



Online Platform:

- Library of microlearnings
- Repository of tools & resources

Microlearning: Annual Wellness Visits

Modules

Action Steps

Resources

What?

STEP 1 Compile a List of Patients Eligible for an AWW

STEP 2 Outreach to Schedule AWW

Why?

STEP 3 Manage Care Team Roles & Schedule AWW

STEP 4 Conduct AWW

- Health Risk Assessment (HRA), screenings, & substance use
- Medical and family history
- Current providers/suppliers
- Preventive screening schedule
- Offer Advanced Care Planning Services
- Obtain measurements
- Assess functional ability
- Assess cognitive function
- Establish a list of risk factors
- Provide personalized health advice or referrals

How?

STEP 5 Document, Code, and Bill for AWW

[Payment Reimbursement Tips: Initial Preventative Physical Exam and Annual Wellness Visits](#)

[CMS Medicare Wellness Visits](#)

Annual Wellness Visits



WHAT?



WHY?



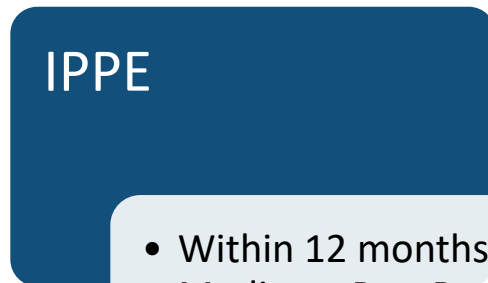
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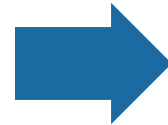
WHAT is an Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)?

Part of Medicare's suite of "Wellness Visits"

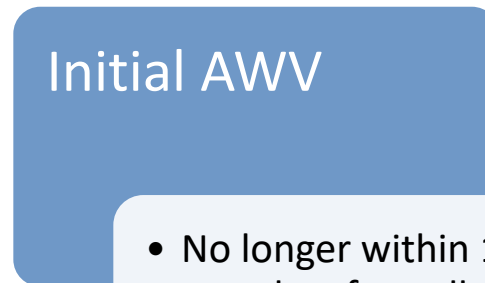
Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE)



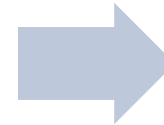
- Within 12 months of Medicare Part B enrollment.
- One-time benefit. "Use it or lose it"



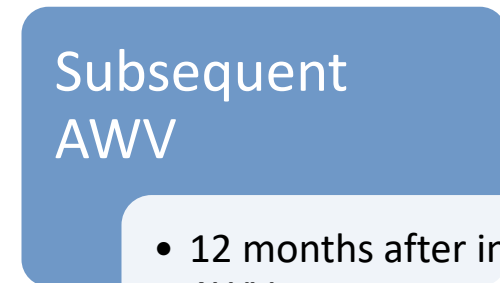
Initial Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)



- No longer within 12 months of enrollment **OR** 12 months after IPPE
- One lifetime benefit



Subsequent Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)



- 12 months after initial AWV
- One subsequent AWV per year thereafter.



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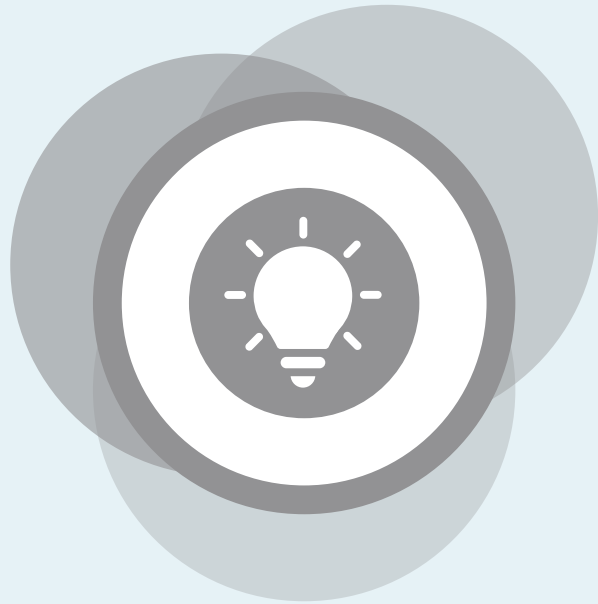
Elements of an IPPE, Initial AWW, and Subsequent AWW

Element	Component Examples	IPPE G0402	Initial AWW G0438	Subsequent AWW G0439
Perform a Health Risk Assessment (HRA) +	Patient Self-reported information (HRA). At a minimum, collect information about demographics, health status, psychosocial risks, behavioral risks, ADLs. Consider communication options for challenged patients (i.e., non-English speaking, disabled, limited literacy)		x	Review & Update
Establish medical and social history	Medical, surgical and family histories (i.e. parents, siblings, children), hereditary conditions, allergies, injuries, current medications and supplements, diet, physical activities, alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drug use.	x	x	Update

Sample from full tool

New table that is part of NACHC's 2022 updated IPPE/AWW Reimbursement Tips that will be available by May 24, 2022.

Annual Wellness Visits



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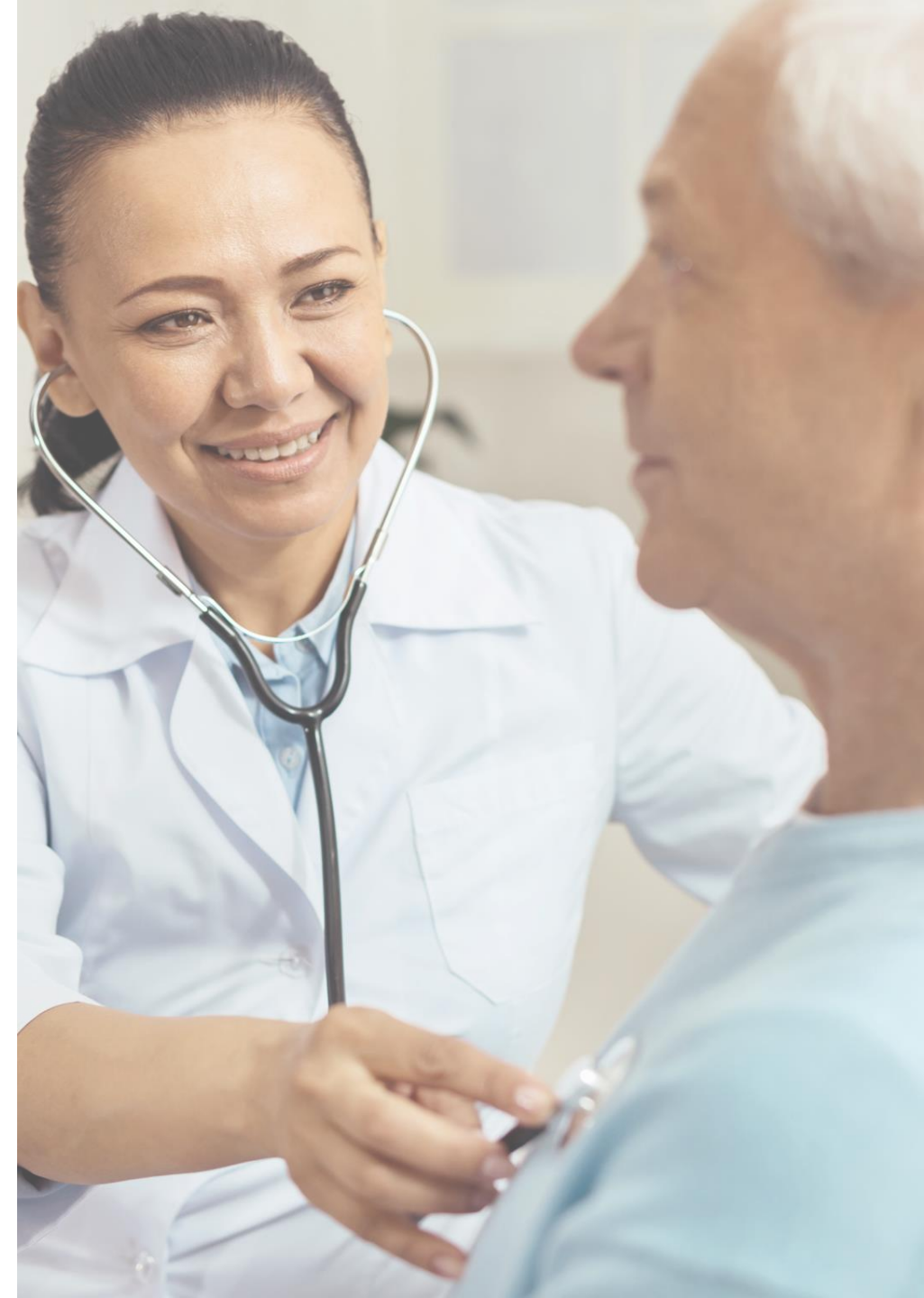


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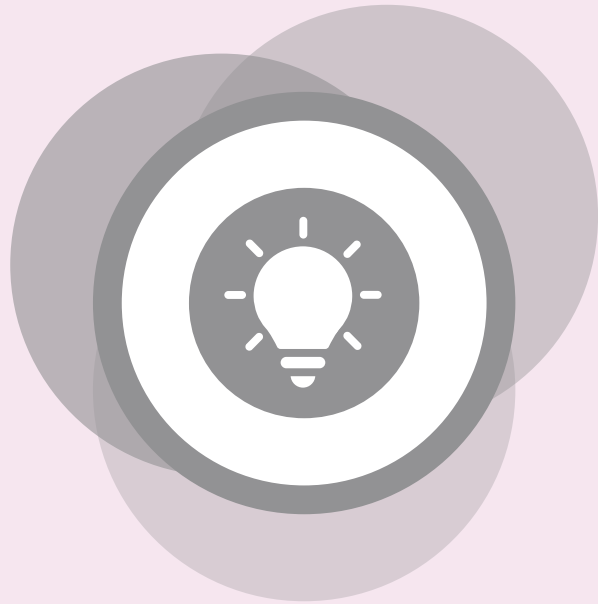


WHY Annual Wellness Visits?

- **Contributes to quality care.** Allows providers and care teams to gain information about the patient, including medical and family history, assess health risks, and promote positive health behaviors.
- **Offers reimbursement opportunity driven by extended care team.**
- Qualifies as an **“initiating” visit for care management** if conducted in the year prior to start. Care management provides its own unique reimbursement opportunity.



Annual Wellness Visits



WHAT?



WHY?



HOW?



Step 1: Compile a list of eligible patients



Build on your Empanelment and Risk Stratification work:

- Consider both empaneled and attributed patients

Identify patients eligible for an AWW:

Initial AWW

- No longer within 12 months of enrollment OR 12 months after IPPE
- One lifetime benefit

Subsequent AWW

- 12 months after initial AWW
- One subsequent AWW per year thereafter.



Step 2: Outreach to schedule AWW appointments

Optimize the use of technology to reach out to patients and schedule appointments

- Texts
- Phone calls
- Portal messages





Step 3:

Manage Care Team Roles & Schedule AWW

- **Expanded care team roles!** Much of the AWW can be completed by MA, RN, CHW, or other care extenders
- **Focused provider role.** Only those services that can be done by an authorized provider.
- **Move much of the work of AWW outside of the provider schedule:**
 - Phone or video call before provider component of the AWW
 - Care extender meets with patient before provider visit
 - Patient-driven processes (electronic forms, kiosks) to self-complete screenings



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Perform Health Risk Assessment
- ✓ Review patient's potential depression risk factors
- ✓ Review patient's functional level of safety
- ✓ Screen for potential SUDs

Patient completes screening questions, including:

- Patient self-assessment (*how does the patient rate their health*)
- Tobacco use screening
- Alcohol use screening
- Substance use screening
- Depression screening
- SDOH screening (PRAPARE)
- Activities of daily living (ADLs)
- Home safety

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



Can be completed by MA, nurse, CHW, or other care extender



Complete prior to the visit via phone/video to reduce staff time needed during the visit



Use electronic forms for patients to self-complete



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Establish patient's medical and family history
- ✓ Review current opioid prescriptions

Review and update the patient's history

- Medications (*including opioids and supplements*)
- Allergies
- Medical history
- Surgical history
- Hospitalizations
- Family history

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Step 4: **Conduct AWW**

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Establish list of current providers and suppliers

Document the patient's care team members

Establish a list of current providers who provide regular care. For example:

- Medical specialty providers
- Behavioral health providers
- Dental providers
- Home health

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Share with patient as part of the visit summary



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Establish an appropriate written screening schedule

Establish a screening schedule

Establish a written screening schedule, such as a checklist, for the next 5-10 years, see [Medicare Services Checklist](#). For example, consider:

- Colorectal cancer screening
- Breast cancer screening
- Immunizations

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



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Complete prior to the visit via phone/video to reduce staff time needed during the visit



Share with patient as part of the visit summary



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Provide ACP services at patient's discretion

At the patient's discretion, offer Advanced Care Planning (ACP) Services

ACP is a discussion between a care team member and the patient about:

- Preparing an advance directive in case an injury or illness prevents them from making health care decisions
- Future care decisions they might need to make
- How they can let others know about care preferences
- Caregiver identification
- Explanation of advance directives, which may involve completing standard forms

Time spent completing ACP is an additional billing opportunity!

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



Can be completed by MA, nurse, CHW, or other care extender



Offering ACP is needed for AWW. Providing ACP can be done as a separate visit if more time is needed



If ACP is completed, share with patient as part of the visit summary



Step 4: **Conduct AWW**

Obtain patient measurements

- Height
- Weight
- BMI (or waist circumference)
- Blood pressure

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Measure

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



Can be completed by MA, nurse, CHW, or other care extender



During the COVID-19 PHE, when the visit is conducted via telehealth, document any information:

-self-reported by the patient

-unable to be obtained

-visually observed



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Review patient's functional ability and level of safety

Assess functional ability

- Falls risk
- Hearing impairment

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



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During the COVID-19 PHE, when the visit is conducted via telehealth, document any information:

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-visually observed



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Detect any cognitive impairment

Assess cognitive function

Assess cognitive function by direct observation, considering information from the patient, family, friends, caregivers, and others.

Consider using a brief cognitive test, health disparities, chronic conditions, and other factors that contribute to increased cognitive impairment risk.

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



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During the COVID-19 PHE, when the visit is conducted via telehealth, document information that is:

-self-reported by the patient

-unable to be obtained

-visually observed



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Establish a list of risk factors

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Establish list of patient risk factors and conditions where primary, secondary, or tertiary interventions are recommended or underway

Establish a list of risk factors and conditions for which various interventions are recommended or already underway. **Essentially, the patient's diagnosis list!**

Coding Tips:

Use this visit as an opportunity to update the patient's diagnosis list in the EHR. Remove any resolved or duplicate items and add **appropriate specificity** as needed

Ensure all active diagnoses are captured in the documentation of the AWW and included on the claim. This allows Medicare to appropriately risk adjust attributed members each year.

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



Use this step as an opportunity for the billing provider to review visit documentation and complete visit with patient



Can be completed by MD, DO, NP, PA, CNM, CNS



Complete via telehealth (audio-only or audio and visual) or in-person



Use EHR features or code gap reports to assist with Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) coding



Step 4: Conduct AWW

Meets AWW requirements for:

- ✓ Provide patient's personalized health advice and appropriate referrals to health education or preventive counseling services or programs

Provide personalized health advice and referrals

Provide patient with personalized health advice/referrals to health education or preventive counseling services or programs

Include community-based lifestyle interventions to reduce health risks and promote self-management and wellness:



Fall prevention



Nutrition



Physical activity



Tobacco-use cessation



Weight loss



Cognition

Optimize Technology and Care Team Roles!



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Complete via telehealth (audio-only or audio and visual) or in-person



Share with patient as part of the visit summary



If the patient qualifies for care management, perform a warm hand-off with care manager



Step 5: **Code and Bill for AWW**

G0438 Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) billable after the first 12 months of Medicare Part B enrollment.

G0439 Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) subsequent visit, billable once every 12 months after the Initial AWW

FQHC bills G0468 and wellness code (above) to CMS

CMS/Medicare 2022 Fee - \$241.71*

*FHQCs reimbursed the lesser of the PPS rate or their organizational charge fee for G0468

No coinsurance for IPPE or AWW

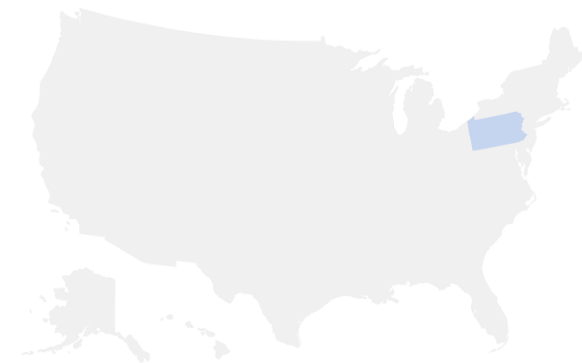


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 Emporium, PA

 Rural

 Founded 1976

 7,838
Patients

 2 MDs,
3 NPs, 3 PAs



WHY

Our health center started doing AWWs

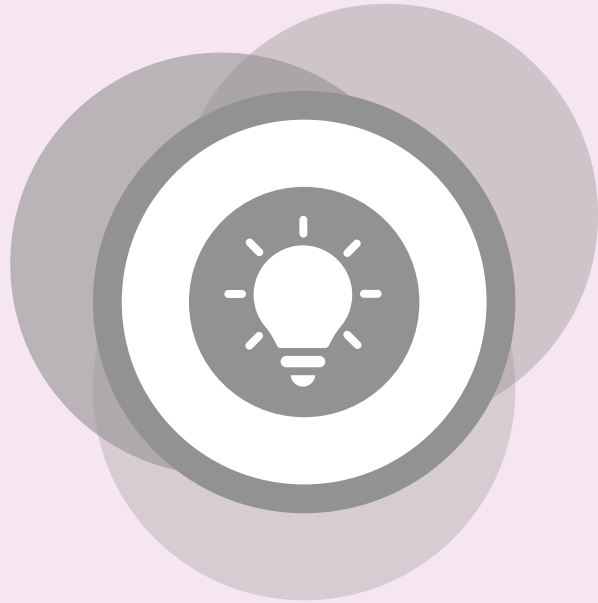
- **We joined an ACO:**
 - AWW is a core metric of clinical performance in this value-based arrangement
- **We were doing much of the work - “big ticket” preventive care**
 - Did not understand the value of the AWW
 - Did not have a standard template in our EMR to properly document the AWW



Solution: Make the AWW part of the process



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Step 1:

Compile list of patients for AWW

Build on Empanelment & Risk Stratification; use Technology

- **External partners:** Leverage Accountable Care Organization/ACO's (Aledade) online "Aledade App" to run reports and view who is due for an AWW
- **Internal staff:** Care Managers create lists weekly (especially 2nd half of the year) to review for who is due AWW
 - Use I2i to track/flag preventive care protocols, including AWWs
 - AWW status is available at-a-glance on clinical huddle sheets



Step 2:

Outreach to Schedule AWWs

Build on Empanelment & Risk Stratification; use Technology

Care Managers:

- Conduct outreach to schedule patients for AWWs
- Aggressively work the lists to capture AWW for all patients attributed to the ACO
- At time of scheduling, educate patients that AWW is separate from chronic care visit

Incentives:

- \$15 gas cards provided in the past several years for an AWW



Step 3:

Managing care team schedule for AWW

- The overall work of AWWs is time consuming but much of the work can be done outside of a provider visit by other members of the care team
- **40-minute slots** are built into the provider schedule template
 - However, this is not where most of the work is planned to be done
- **Template:** RN care managers put the patients on a separate AWW schedule
 - Health Risk Assessment (HRA) questions and preventive care services are discussed
 - EMR template works like a “script”



Step 3: **Managing care team schedule for AWW**

- **Care Management** – *‘the glue’ that holds it all together*
 - The cornerstone of the Quality Program, including AWWs
 - Care Managers all RNs
 - Deep relationships with most complex patients
 - Coordinate and lead morning clinical huddles
- **Front desk** – *partners in the process*
 - Morning huddle – flag patients to be asked about their preventive care (and if they are a Medicare recipient, the AWW).
 - Created by front desk managers at each of our two sites





Step 3: **Conduct AWW**

RN Care Manager (30 mins)

- Health risk assessment questions and preventive care services
- Chronic care issues (non-urgent) are deflected to the schedule by care manager
- EMR template provides a “script” to complete requirements

Provider (~5 mins)

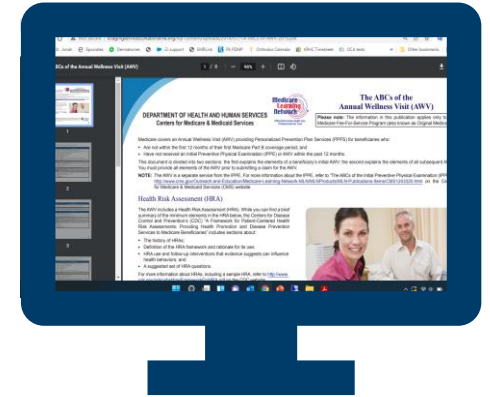
- Briefed by Care Manager (between patients)
- Performs a brief visit with the patient



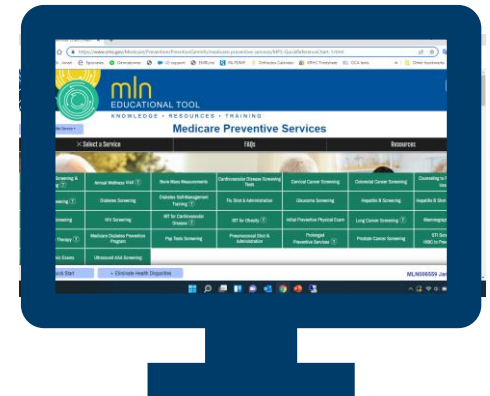
Step 4: Documentation/Coding/Billing

Created EHR templates to properly document the AWW

- **EMR templates built in-house** (by Medical Director)
 - Our EMR: AthenaPractice
 - Our template editor: Visual Form Editor
- **Health Risk Assessment**
 - Based upon the 2014 document “The ABC’s of the Annual Wellness Visit” from the Medicare Learning Network
 - Easy because its format lends itself to EMR templating
- **Preventive Services**
 - Based upon the [CMS website](#).



Resource: *The ABCs of the Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)*



Resource: *CMS Medicare Preventative Services website*

Interactions: ⚠️

Forms Text

Forms Add...

- Medicare Ann. Well. Risk KRI
- PHQ-9 Questionnaire
- PMH-PSH-CCC
- Family History-CCC
- Risk Factors-CCC
- Care Plan Management
- Nurse Intake-test2
- PE-CCC
- Diabetic Foot Exam KRHC
- Medicare Annual Wellness A
- Medicare Ann Well Serv KRH
- Follow up - MAW KRHC
- Capturing CPT II
- MU CORE Checklist
- Process Lab Orders

Attachments Add...

Favorites Add

- Blank image
- Anticoagulation Hx KRHC
- Anticoagulation Plan KRH
- Asthma O&E-HPI-CCC

HPI Phys. Act./Nutri ADL Gen. Health/Falls Psych Cognitive

GENERAL HEALTH

In general, would you say your health is:
 Excellent
 Very good
 Good
 Fair
 Poor

How would you describe the condition of your mouth and teeth—including false teeth or dentures?
 Excellent
 Very good
 Good
 Fair
 Poor

How often during the past four weeks have you had the following problems?

Falling or dizzy when standing up: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always	Sexual problems: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always	Trouble eating well: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always
Teeth or denture problems: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always	Problems using the telephone: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always	Tiredness or fatigue: <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Seldom <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Often <input type="checkbox"/> Always

How often do you have trouble taking medicines the way you have been told to take them?

How confident are you that you can control and manage most of your health problems?

FALLS

Have you fallen two or more times in the past year? Yes No

Are you afraid of falling? Yes No

TIMED UP AND GO

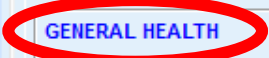
Directions: Patients wear their regular footwear and can use a walking aid if needed. Begin by having the patient sit back in a standard arm chair and identify a line 3 meters or 10 feet away on the floor.

Instructions to the patient: When I say "Go," I want you to: 1. Stand up from the chair 2. Walk to the line on the floor at your normal pace 3. Turn 4. Walk back to the chair at your normal pace 5. Sit down again

On the word "Go" begin timing. Stop timing after patient has sat back down and record.

Was the patient's Timed Up & Go test unsteady or longer than 12 seconds? Yes No An older adult who takes >12 seconds to complete the TUG is at high risk for falling.

Total time for Timed Up and Go Test (in seconds):



Interactions: ⚠️

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Vaccines Screen More Screen Mas Screen Services More Serv

Preventive services checklist given to patient.

VACCINES GIVEN	INDICATION	VACCINE ORDERS
<input type="checkbox"/> Pneumovax given. <input type="checkbox"/> Pevnar given. <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia vaccination up to date. <input type="checkbox"/> Not needed pneumonia vaccination. <input type="checkbox"/> Declined pneumonia vaccine. <p>Click if giving.</p>	<p>If never immunized, give Pevnar today and Pneumovax in 1 year.</p> <p>If had Pneumovax after age 65 and > 1 year has passed, administer Pevnar 1</p> <p>If had Pneumovax as an adult prior to age 65, administer Pevnar today and Pneumovax in 1 year.</p> <p>If had Pevnar as an adult prior to age 65, administer Pneumovax today, no further vaccination needed.</p>	<p>Pevnar 13:</p> <p>CCHC FXT RMC MNT</p> <p>Pneumovax 23:</p> <p>CCHC FXT RMC MNT</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Influenza vaccine given. <input type="checkbox"/> Influenza vaccine up to date. <input type="checkbox"/> Influenza vaccine not indicated. <input type="checkbox"/> Influenza vaccine declined. <p>Click if giving.</p>	<p>All Medicare beneficiaries, once per influenza season.</p>	<p>Flulaval:</p> <p>CCHC FXT RMC MNT</p> <p>Fluvirin:</p> <p>CCHC FXT RMC MNT</p> <p>Fluzone:</p> <p>CCHC FXT RMC MNT</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> HBV vaccine given. <input type="checkbox"/> HBV vaccine up to date. <input type="checkbox"/> HBV vaccine not indicated. <input type="checkbox"/> HBV vaccine declined. <p>Click if giving.</p>	<p>Give if medium/high risk: end-stage renal disease, hemophiliacs who received Factor VIII or IX concentrates, clients of institutions for the mentally retarded, persons who live in the same house as a HBV carrier, homosexual men, IV drug users.</p>	<p>Hepatitis B, Engerix-B Priv</p> <p>Hepatitis B Private (MNT)</p>

POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS NOT COVERED AS MEDICARE PART B PREVENTIVE SERVICES

These vaccines could be ordered: Varicella, Tdap or Td (every 10 years), Herpes Zoster, MMR, Meningococcal, Hep A.

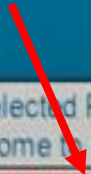
(Patients should contact their Part D plan for information on preventive vaccines benefits.)

Order Vaccines

Recommendations can also be made, if appropriate, for: aspirin therapy, calcium supplementation, social services, and dietary counseling.

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Time	Provider	Resource	Type	Patient	Nickname	DOB	Age	Sex	Language	Race	
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Lahnovych MD, Victor											
H L	Reason: [* Selected Program: 6 - Medical *] History (12 Mo.): No Shows: 0 Canceled: 3 Visits: 10 ER: 0 Admits: 0 Last Visit DR: Lahnovych MD, Victor Month Follow Up HTN NB 1/20/22 <i>⊖ autoimmune arthritis</i>										
Outstanding Referrals: 8 <i>Joint plan - labs - Ref to pneumatology - Rheumatoid arthritis ⊖, neck pain ⊖ inflammation ⊖</i>											
Last BMI: 22.41 (1/20/22) Weight Change (6 Mo.): -1.37 lbs Last BP: 138/76 (1/27/22) Last PHQ-9: 0 (1/20/22) Last PHQ-2: Last Weight: 143.13 (1/20/22)											
Last Mammo: 11/1/2021 <i>⊖</i> Colon Cancer Screening: 4/1/2017 Colonoscopy <i>⊖</i> Smoker: No Framingham Risk Factor: 5.91%											
Last 3 BP: 138/76 (1/27/22) 167/90 (1/20/22) 130/71 (1/13/22) Last 2 LDL: 186 (11/2/21) 153 (6/25/19) <i>ePT - RISTART Unsuppl - 1127 BP ✓ OK</i>											
Due: Procedure / Referral: Depression Follow up Plan											
Protocols: Depression Screening, Fall Risk, PCMH Data, Tetanus <i>(MMW due July)</i>											
11:00 AM	Lahnovych MD, Victor	Lahnovych MD, Victor	Medicare Welcome to Medicare IPPE (1st 12 months)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	65 Yrs	F	English	White	
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D H C L	Reason: [* Selected Program: 6 - Medical *] History (12 Mo.): No Shows: 0 Canceled: 1 Visits: 9 ER: 0 Admits: 0 Last Visit DR: Lahnovych MD, Victor Outstanding Referrals: 4 welcome to medicare 2/22 nm <i>12/28 DM controlled DM - BP controlled</i>										
Last BMI: 30.38 (12/28/21) Weight Change (6 Mo.): 1 lbs Last BP: 110/70 (12/28/21) Last PHQ-9: 0 (12/28/21) Last PHQ-2: Last Weight: 188.25 (12/28/21)											
Last Mammo: 10/18/2021 <i>⊖</i> Colon Cancer Screening: 6/27/2019 FIT <i>⊖</i> Smoker: No Last 3 A1c: 6.6 (12/14/21) 6.8 (9/22/21) 6.4 (6/22/21)											
Last 3 BP: 110/70 (12/28/21) 130/78 (9/28/21) 134/72 (6/28/21) Last 2 LDL: 68 (9/22/21) 78 (3/24/21)											
Due: Procedure / Referral: Depression Follow up Plan, Procedure / Referral: Fall Risk Assessment											
Protocols: Depression Screening, Diab Foot Exam, Fall Risk, HIV screening, Microalbumin, PCMH Data, Urinary Incontinence Assessment, CRCS											



HCC

KRHC Patient Registration Morning Huddle

Location: CCHCC

Date: 3-7-22

Patient	New or Established	Appt Confirmed	Paper Work Current within 1 yr	Active Patient Portal	Eligible Insurance and/or Sliding Fee within date	Outstanding Patient Balance	Payment Plan	Date of Last Preventive Exam	Comments
LAUREN	Est.	LUM	✓	✓	(NGS) ✓	—	\$15	Unknown	
	Est.	✓	✓	✓	(NGS) ✓	—	—	10/20/21	
	Est.	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	—	Unknown	
	Est.	✓	no	✓	✓	—	\$35	8/28/15	needs Paperwork
	Est.	✓	no	✓	✓	—	—	Unknown	needs paperwork
	Est.	✓	no	✓	✓	—	—	11/3/21	needs paperwork
	Est.	✓	no	no	✓	—	—	Unknown	needs paperwork
	Est.	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	—	10/5/21	
	Est.	no Answer	✓	✓	✓	—	—	Unknown	
	Est.	LUM	no	✓	need new Insurance info	—	?	Unknown	needs paperwork
	New	LUM	no	no	need Insurance	—	?	Unknown	needs paperwork
	Est.	✓	no	✓	✓	\$70.00	\$35	Unknown	needs paperwork

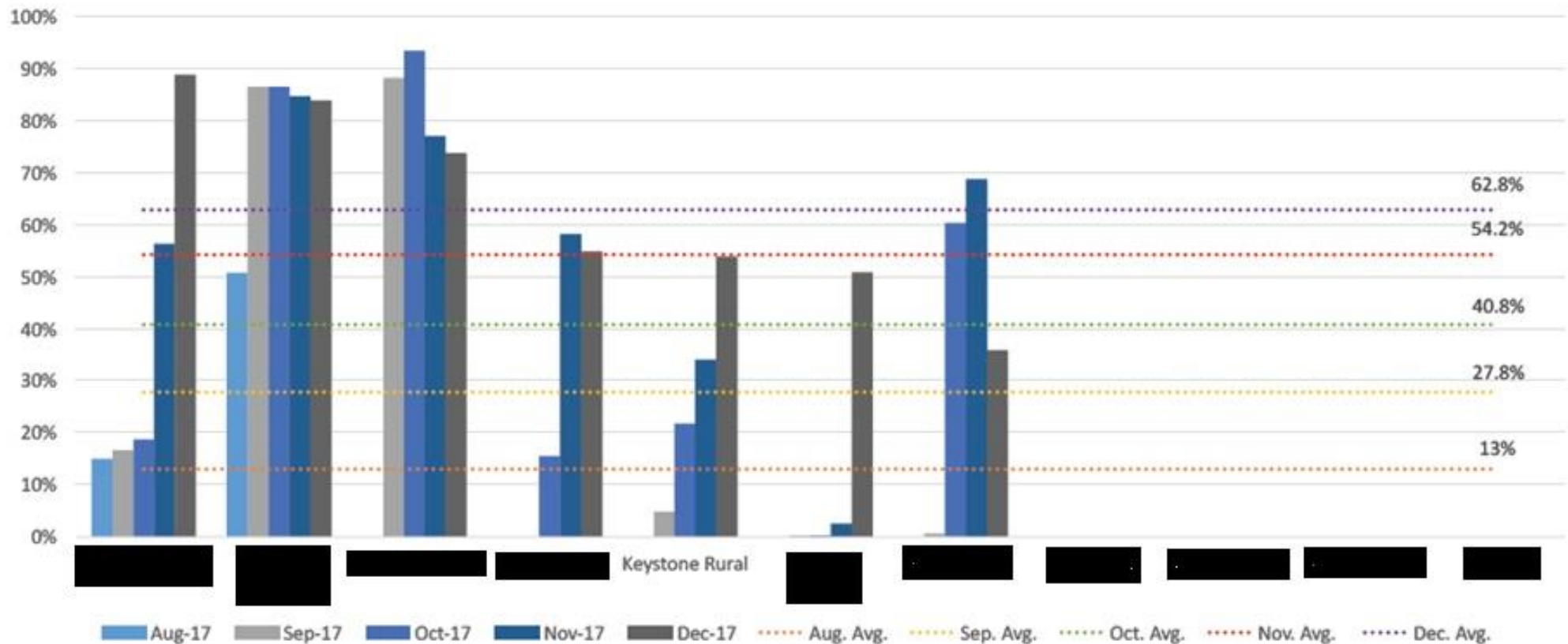
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Annual Wellness Visits: Now (2021) and Then (2017)

Key Performance Indicator



AWV Worklist Completion %



KRHC AWVs
80% (!!!!!) as of
12/31/2021

Evvara Health



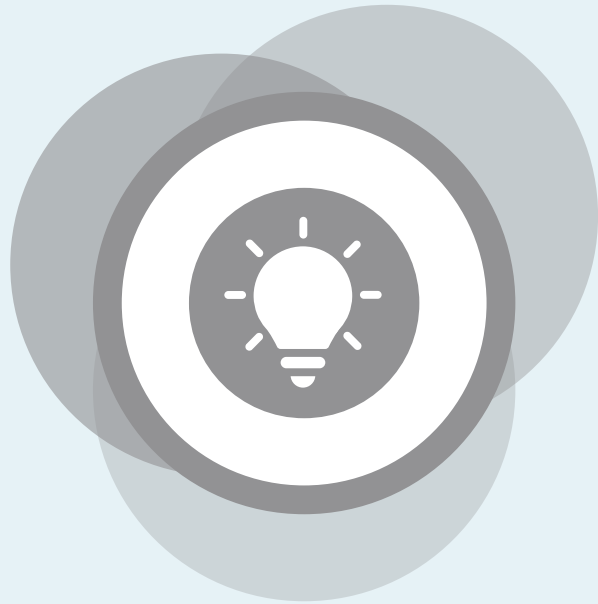
Cherona Owens
Value Based Services Supervisor

Annual Wellness Visits



-  Pinellas County, FL
-  Urban
-  14 locations
-  Founded 1980
-  61,500 Patients
-  2,100 Medicare Patients

Annual Wellness Visits



WHAT?



WHY?



HOW?



WHY

Our health center started doing AWVs

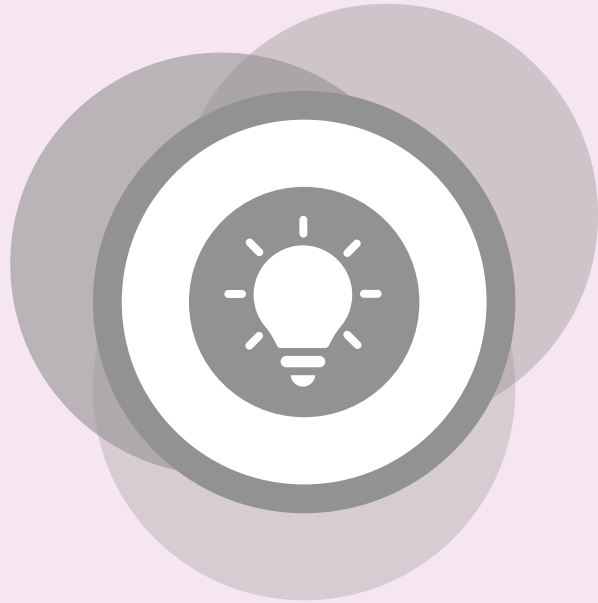
- Evara Health began performing AWVs since their introduction by the Affordable Care Act.
- Participation in the Health Choice Care Medicare Accountable Care Organization (ACO) led us to realize that our processes supporting the AWV program must be restructured.
- In order to improve the outcome, our Value Based Services (VBS) team created new tools and protocols for the process.



Tracking AWVs

AWV 2022	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals	
Number completed in 2021	11	33	17	27	24	51	44	63	48	72	64	86	540	
Number due per the Q0 roster 794	241	263	258											
Number Scheduled	38	42											80	
Number Completed in 2022														
Totals based on Q0 roster 794	27	34											61	
YTD Percentage Q0	0.03%	0.07%												
794 Q0	70% completion													
# AWV need to complete to reach goal	556													
ACO patient engagement														
794 Q0	138	42											180	22.60%

Annual Wellness Visits



WHAT?



WHY?



HOW?



Step 1:

Compile list of patients for AWW

Build on Empanelment & Risk Stratification; use Technology

Eligible patients identified by:

- **Running lists.** Monthly spreadsheet generated from HCN (CLEAR), Greenway Intergy by VBS Supervisor.
- **Converting Upcoming Medicare Visits.** All Medicare appointments reviewed two days prior to appointment to evaluate for conversion to AWW (if converted, complete Health Risk Assessment (HRA) and Falls Risk at time of scheduling AWW)
- **Care Management Referrals.** Staff within Care Management Services schedule AWW (complete HRA and Falls Risk at time of scheduling AWW)



Sample Telephone Script: AWW

We see you have an existing appointment, and you are due for your Annual visit.

***Medicare** is very specific about what the “**Annual Wellness Visit**” offers. At the **Annual Wellness Visit**, your health care professional will talk to you about your medical history, review your risk factors, and provide a written personalized prevention plan to help keep you healthy. During this visit you will also be able to get medication refills, lab/screening orders and review any existing lab results.*

I would be glad to assist you in getting your Annual Wellness visit completed at your upcoming visit.

List of patients for AWW

Other data:
 Patient #
 Patient Name
 Date of Birth
 Home phone
 Mobile phone

LastInPersonVisit	LastInPersonAWVDate	LastTelehealthAWVDate	NextAppt	NextApptReason	AWV Already Completed Date	AWV Already scheduled Date	Deceased / New PCP/ Pt Refused/ Covid only/	Name of New PCP	Appointment Scheduled AWW	HRA Completion Date	Falls Risk assessment completed date	Comments	UTC 1	UTC 2	UTC3	Date Letter Mailed	CM date/ Initials
12/15/2021	2/2/2021								2/1/2022 No Show	1/21/2022			3/4/22 LS	3/1/22 LS	3/3/22 LS	2/3/22 LS	
12/13/2021	2/3/2021		3/7/2022	Medicare Subsequent Wellness Visit					3/7/2022	1/11/2022							1/21/22 LS
12/31/2021	2/5/2021								3/2/22 LS	1/25/2022	1/25/2022	Daughter needs appt in March	1/21/22 LS	1/25/22 LS			1/25/22 LS
11/17/2021	2/5/2021		2/2/2022	ADULT ESTABLISHED					2/2/22 LS	1/26/22 LS			1/26/22 LS				1/26/22 LS
12/6/2021	2/24/2021								2/1/22 LS	1/26/22 LS	1/26/22 LS		1/26/22 LS	1/27/22 LS			1/26/22 LS
10/12/2021	2/5/2021				1/11/2022 Too Early				2/7/22 LS	1/10/2022	1/26/2022		1/31/22 LS	2/1/22 LS	1/28/22 LS		2/1/22 LS
7/26/2021	2/8/2021								2/17/22 LS	2/7/22 LS	2/7/22/ LS		2/14/22 LS	2/15/22 LS	2/17/22 LS	2/2/22 LS	2/17/22 LS
8/2/2021	2/22/2021								2/2/22 LS	1/31/22 LS			1/26/22 LS	1/31/22 LS			1/31/22 LS
8/17/2021	2/4/2021						AWV Done NO Code Dropped		2/16/22 LS	2/1/22 LS		Message Cherona Code 2-23 LS	1/26/22 LS	1/31/22 LS	2/1/22 LS		2/1/22 LS



Step 2:

Outreach to Schedule AWWs

Build on Empanelment & Risk Stratification; use Technology

- VBS Review Nurse and Case Managers conduct outreach to schedule patients for AWW (completes HRA and Falls Risk at time of scheduling)
- After-hours and weekend outreach to patients that staff have been 'unable to reach'
- Send CareMessage reminders for patients to schedule AWW



Step 3:

Managing care team schedule for AWW

Daily Huddle Task Sheet reviewed with provider – includes HCC coding opportunities and Care Gaps (e.g., cancer screening) to be addressed

VBS Review Nurse/Case Manager

- Health risk assessment questions and preventive care services
- Reminder call to the patient 24 hours before appointment and document on ACO template (created internally).

Provider

- Briefed by Care Manager (between patients)
- Performs a brief visit with the patient

Daily Huddle Task Sheet

colorectal & cervical cancer screening

Center	Provider	Last Visit Date	Next Appt	Last AWW (EHR) In person	Last AWW (EHR) Telehealth	Patient Info	AWW Elig Date	AWW Missed Opportunity?	HCC Opportunities	ACO13 Fall Risk	ACO14 Flu Immun	ACO17 Tob Screen	ACO18 De Screen	ACO19 Colo Screen	ACO20 Breast Screen	ACO27 DM Poor Ctrl	ACO28 Htn Control	ACO40 Dep Rem	ACO42 Statin Use	# Quality Gaps	
JRC	Ahmad, Akif MD	9/22/2021	2/25/2022	12/31/2020	12/31/2020		12/1/2022	No	59 - Delusional disorders		Non-Comp	Comp		Comp	Non-Comp					2	
CLW	Bonaparte, Katina M. MD, MPH	9/13/2021	2/25/2022	9/13/2021	1/0/1900		9/1/2022	No	*100 - Ischemic or Unspecified Stroke *104 - Monoplegia, Other Paralytic Syndromes		Non-Comp	Comp	Non-Comp	Comp			Non-Comp		Comp	3	
CLW	Bonaparte, Katina M. MD, MPH	12/7/2021	2/25/2022	12/7/2021	12/7/2021		12/1/2022	No			Non-Comp	Comp		Comp	Non-Comp		Non-Comp			3	
CLW	Bonaparte, Katina M. MD, MPH	8/31/2021	2/25/2022	8/31/2021	8/28/2020		8/1/2022	No	*84 - Cardio-Respiratory Failure and Shock 85 - Congestive Heart Failure 86 - Acute Myocardial Infarction *112 - Fibrosis of Lung and Other Chronic Lung Disorders *189 - Vertebral Fractures without Spinal Cord Injury											0	
DUN	De La Noval, Barbara APRN	11/16/2021	2/25/2022	1/0/1900	1/0/1900		12/1/2022	No		Non-Comp	Comp	Comp	Non-Comp	Non-Comp						3	
JRC	Dziopala, Joy APRN	12/13/2021	2/25/2022	10/28/2021	10/28/2021		10/1/2022	No	2 - Septicemia, Sepsis, Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome/Shock 22 - Morbid Obesity 40 - Rheumatoid Arthritis and Inflammatory Connective Tissue Disease *12 - Breast, Prostate, and Other Cancers and Tumors *18 - Diabetes with Chronic Complications 23 - Other Significant Endocrine and Metabolic Disorders *48 - Coagulation Defects and Other Specified Hematological Disorders		Non-Comp	Comp		Comp	Comp			Non-Comp			2
JRC	Dziopala, Joy APRN	12/13/2021	2/25/2022	10/28/2021	10/28/2021		10/1/2022	No		Non-Comp	Non-Comp	Comp		Comp		Poor Control	Non-Comp		Comp	3	

Daily Huddle Task Sheet

Daily Huddle Task Example

-ACO

HCC CODING-PLEASE ADDRESS CHF AND VASCULAR DISEASE
GAPS-FIT TEST, HTN LABS, ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE SCREENING, FLU SHOT

-MEDICARE

GAPS-FIT TEST, HTN LABS, ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE SCREENING, SMOKING & TOBACCO CESSATION, FLU SHOT

ACO

HCC CODING- PLEASE ADDRESS (pt will probably need another visit to address all HCC coding)

Morbid Obesity

Rheumatoid Arthritis and Inflammatory Connective Tissue Disease

Disorders of Immunity

Congestive Heart Failure

Specified Heart Arrhythmias

Ischemic or Unspecified Stroke

Vascular Disease with Complications

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Chronic Ulcer of Skin, Except Pressure

GAPS-FIT TEST, HTN LABS, ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE SCREENING, MAMMO, FALLS RISK, FLU SHOT

-MOLINA

GAPS-FIT TEST, NEEDS SCHEDULED FOR PHYSICAL ONSITE

SIMPLY

GAPS-FIT TEST, ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE SCREENING, A1C, MAMMO, NEEDS SCHEDULED FOR PHYSICAL ONSITE



Step 3: **Conduct AWW**

Visit Types:

- In-person clinic visit
- Video telehealth – 2 designated providers
- Audio call
- Medical Home @ Home:
 - Evara clinical team completes an office visit in the home then connects patient with a provider via video
 - Vitals, weight, BMI, HbA1c, and all screenings completed during visit



Ongoing Monitoring & Reporting

Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly
<p>VBS Supervisor Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AWWs completion• Required documentation• Correct coding• Task Case Managers if f/u needed or member needs rescheduling <p>Team Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completions• Trends• Goals	<p>Leadership Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• # AWW scheduled• # AWW completed• # outreaches• Report and barriers to care• Patient engagement rate• Current AWW completion rate YTD	<p>VBS Supervisor Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosters to add/remove patients from panels.• Task Case Managers to outreach and schedule IPPE/AWWs.

Tracking AWWs

01/31/22 8:50 AM

Appointments Reason Detail Report Community Health Centers of Pinellas

Page 1

Selections:

Appointment Dates: From: 01/24/2022 To: 01/28/2022

Reason Codes: IMWV, CCM, TPHONE, MWVA, TELAWV, WMV, MHES

Date	Time	Length	Chrt #	Patient	Location	Provider	Room	PLAN	RESULTS	
Reason: MWVA Medicare Subsequent Wellness V (IMW ANNUAL WELLNESS VISIT)										
01/24/2022	3:20 PM	20				CLW	DMS	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/26/2022	10:00 AM	20				CLW	DMS	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/27/2022	5:00 PM	20				STP	HJO	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/27/2022	10:40 AM	20				LEA	TEP	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/27/2022	10:20 AM	20				PPK	PAB	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/27/2022	10:00 AM	20				JRC	KEW	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/28/2022	10:00 AM	20				JRC	JDZ	ACO	NEEDS RESCHED SICK VISIT	
Total MWVA Appointments: 7										
Reason: WMV MediCare Welcome Wellness Visi (IMW ANNUAL WELLNESS VISIT)										
01/27/2022	2:00 PM	20				CHL	CLP	ACO	COMPLETED CODE DROPPED	
01/27/2022	9:30 AM	20				TSH	KET	ACO	NEEDS RESCHED ER F/U	
Total WMV Appointments: 2										
Total Appointments: 9										
				9 SCHED				7 COMPLETED	2 NEEDS RESCHED	



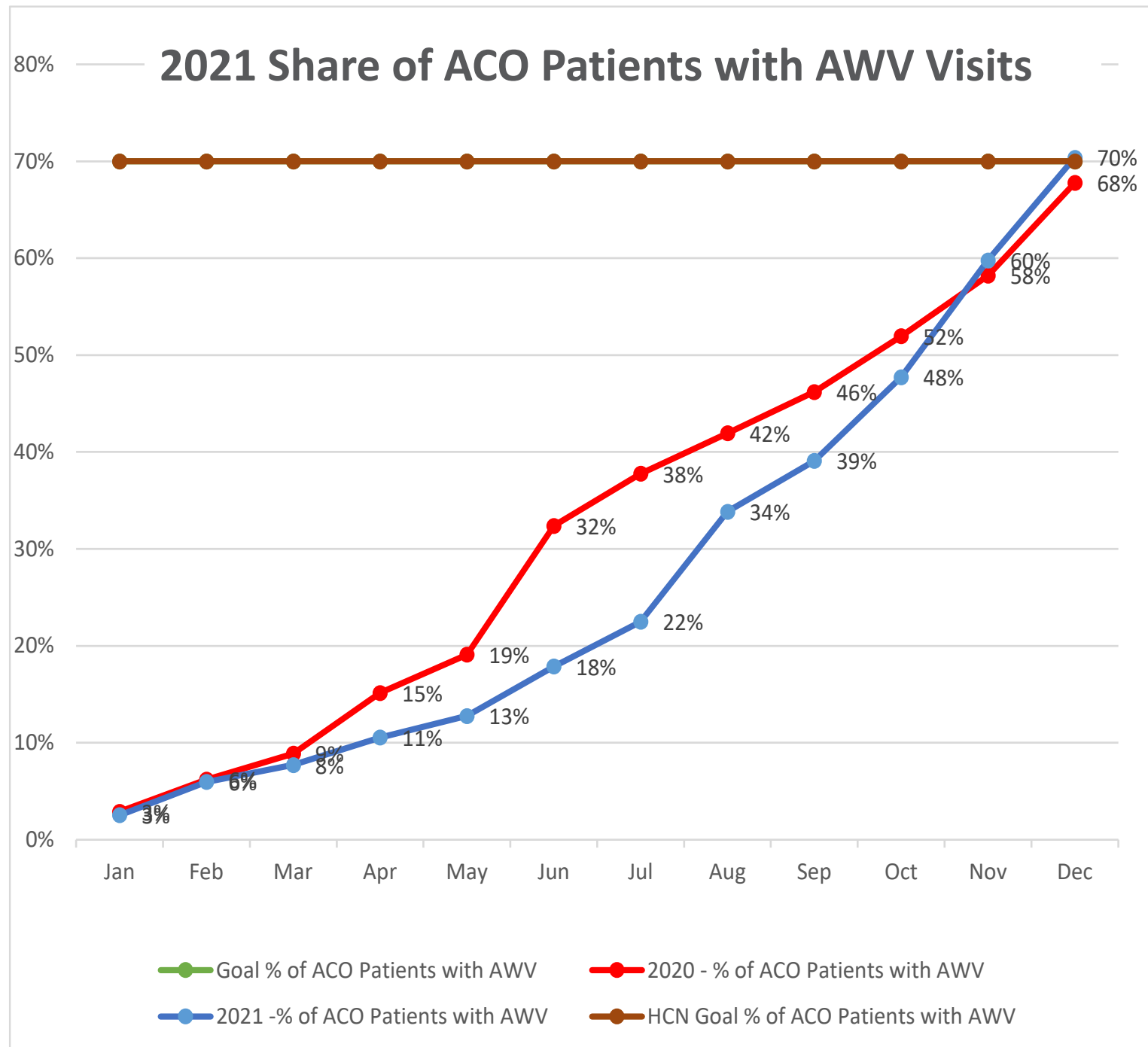
Step 4: **Documentation/Coding/Billing**

- All Medicare appointments are reviewed weekly for required documentation and correct code dropped.



ACO Annual Wellness Visits Approach

- Establish AWW plan for the year
- Determine # of AWW to be completed to meet goal of 70%
- Track HEDIS measure monthly
- Track monthly ACO member engagement





ACO Quality Measures				
Quality Measure	HCN GOAL	HCN ACO Report 11/2019	HCN ACO Report 11/2020	HCN ACO Report 12/2021
1. Falls Risk	94%	88.2%	66.3%	91.0%
2. Tobacco Use + Cessation	90%	99.8%	88.1%	98.6%
3. Depression Screening	90%	91.9%	68.5%	91.2%
4. Colorectal Cancer Screening	68%	55.3%	43.7%	57.9%
5. Breast Screening	70%	56.8%	49.7%	48.6%
6. DM HbA1C Poor control	16.2%	18.3%	35.4%	18.9%
7. HTN <140/90	70%	73.7%	48.8%	72.5%
8. Depression Remission	20%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
9. Statin Therapy	90%	73.9%	74.5%	85.4%
10. Influenza Vaccine	70%	11.8%	4.3%	16.7%
11. AWW's	70%	43.5%	54.0%	67.0%

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HEALTH

CARE THAT EMPOWERS

Thank you for
allowing us to share!



Messina Consulting

Annual Wellness Visit Reimbursement **Your FQHC Base Rate Matters!**



Lisa Messina

FQHC Prospective Payment System (PPS)

Base Rate as related to IPPE/AWV

- FQHCs base rate is updated each calendar year
- 2022 National FQHC PPS Base Payment Rate = \$180.16

Adjustment components include:

Geographic Adjustment Factor: Locality

New Patient Adjustment: 1.3416 (\$241.71)

IPPE/AWV Adjustment: 1.3416 (\$241.71)

FQHC Prospective Payment System (PPS)

Local FQHC Rate

Step 1: Calculate the local FQHC PPS Payment

National PPS Base Rate	FQHC GAF	FQHC Adjusted PPS Base Payment
\$ 180.16	Alabama = 0.946	\$ 170.43
\$ 180.16	Miami, FL = 1.080	\$ 194.57

Step 2: Calculate IPPE, AWV, New Patient Encounter Rate

FQHC PPS Base Rate	Adjustment Factor	IPPE, AWV, New Patient Rate
\$ 170.43	1.3416	\$ 228.65 (Alabama)
\$ 194.57	1.3416	\$ 261.04 (Miami, FL)

Remember!

- Payment is based upon the lesser of the FQHC's charge or the adjusted PPS rate.
- No coinsurance for IPPE/AWV encounters.

Wellness Visit Revenue

What can we expect?



ACHIEVE REVENUE
MANAGEMENT

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Let's Do the Math:

Health Center Scenario

Total Health Center Patients	X	Medicare Patient Percentage	=	Total Medicare Patients	X	Estimated Percent of AWWs to be completed	=	Number of AWWs Rendered	X	Payment rate (lesser of PPS rate or Health Center charge)	=	Total Revenue
42,000	X	10%	=	4,200	X	70%	=	2,940	X	\$259.60	=	\$763,224

Assumptions:

- Total unique health center patients for 21 providers based on patient panel of 2,000
- 10% of patients are covered by Medicare
- Anticipate 70% of eligible patients will receive AWW
- Established health center charge is \$292.00
- PPS rate for health center locality is \$259.60

Example for discussion purpose only



Your Turn

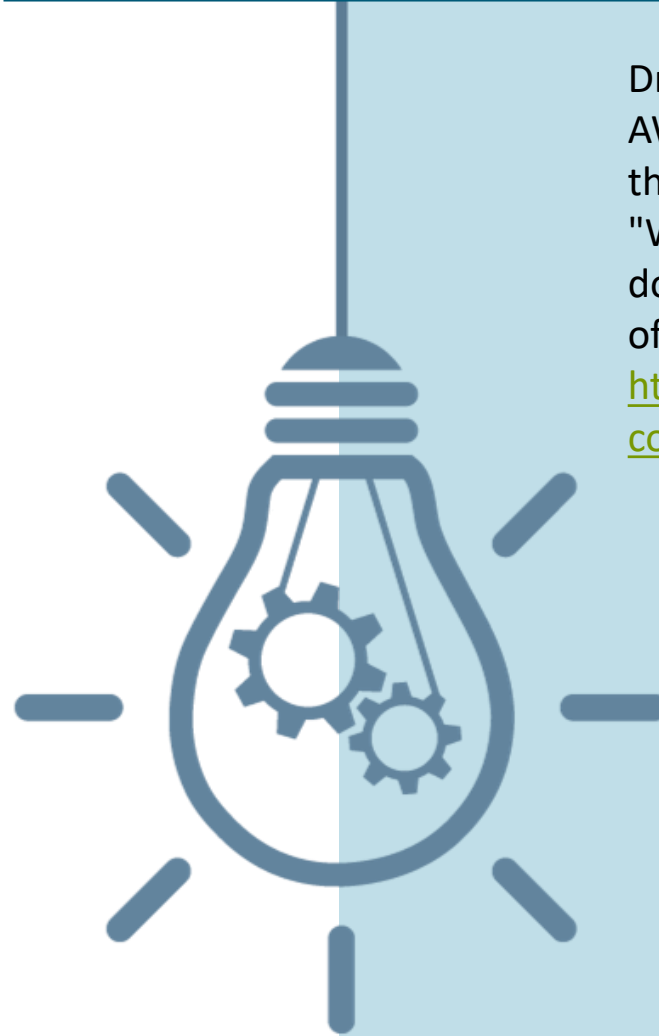
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PEER EXCHANGE

I Have Tools to Share

I Have Questions



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Additional Resources

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Lisa Messina: Has a patient already had an IPPE or AWV visit? This link can be used to help you determine Medicare beneficiary eligibility data in real-time. You can also ask your MAC.

<https://www.cms.gov/research-statistics-data-and-systems/cms-information-technology/hetshelp>

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



24. Elevate Connect – Annual Wellness Visits

April 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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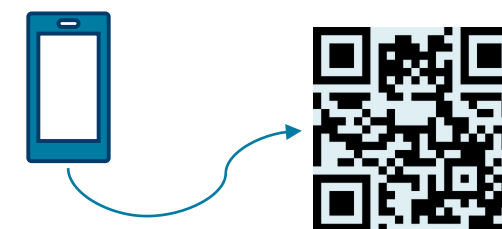


12. April Learning Forum



28. Elevate Connect

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Next *Connect* Call:

March 24, 2022
1-1:45 pm ET

Next Monthly Forum Call:

April 12, 2022
1-2 pm ET



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