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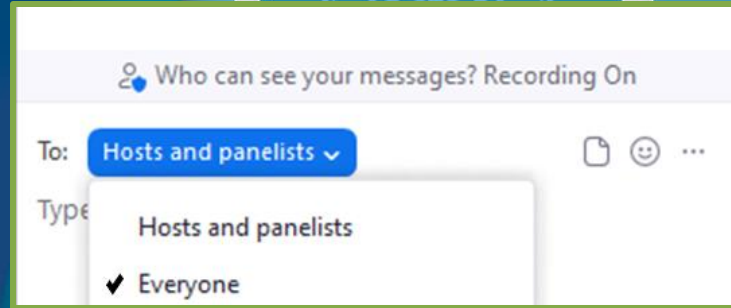
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During today's session:

- **Questions:** Throughout the webinar, type your questions in the chat feature. Be sure to select "Everyone"! There will be Q&A and discussion at the end.
- **Resources:** If you have a tool or resource to share, let us know in the chat!

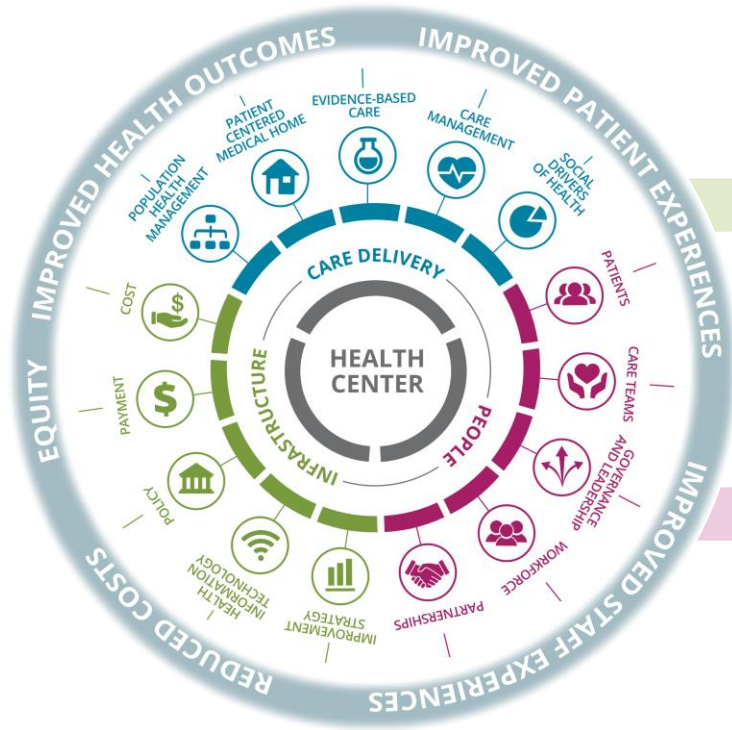
Agenda: Patient Engagement



- **Value-Based Care**
 - The Value Transformation Framework, Elevate, and Patient Engagement
- **Patient Engagement *WHAT, WHY, HOW?***
 - **Individual Care**
 - **Care System Design**
 - Featured Speakers:
 - Peter Chang, MD, MPH, CPE, FAAFP, CEO, Grace Health - **Patient self-rooming**
 - Joan Lingen, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Eastern Shore Rural Health - **Urgent care**
 - Nivedita Mohanty, MD, MS, Chief Health Impact Officer, AllianceChicago – **AI**
 - **Governance**
- **Q&A**
- **NEW Resources and Professional Development Opportunities**

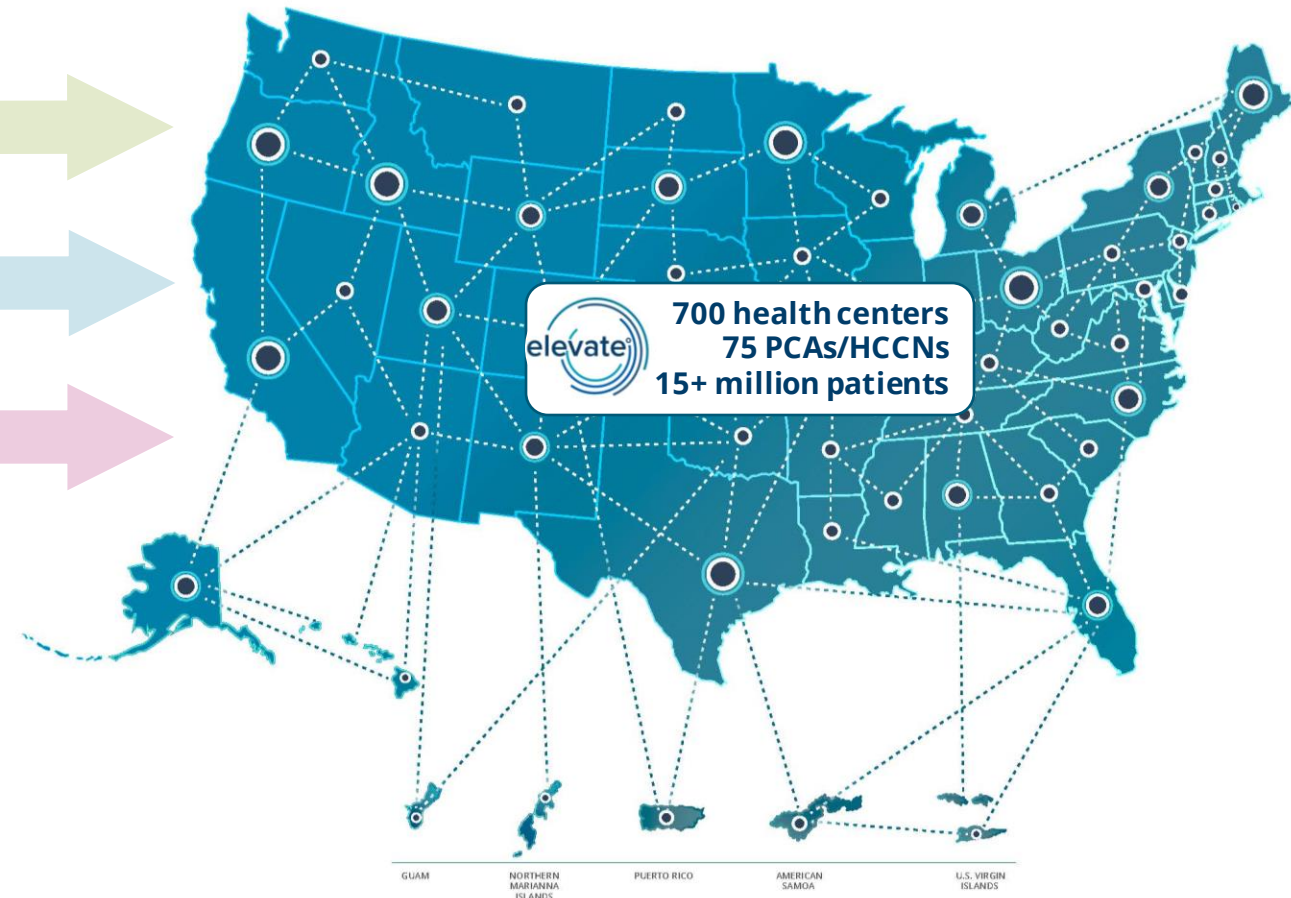
Leading the Transition to Value-Based Care

Value Transformation Framework



- ✓ *Supports systems change*
- ✓ *Organizes and distills evidence-based interventions*
- ✓ *Incorporates evidence, knowledge, tools and resources*
- ✓ *Links health center performance to the Quintuple Aim*

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Leading the Transition to Value-Based Care

Leverage the Value Transformation Framework and Elevate:

Your transformation journey begins here!



STEP 1 - ENGAGE
Register for Elevate and participate in the FREE health center learning community



STEP 2 - ASSESS
Measure transformation progress using the Value Transformation Framework (VTF) Assessment



STEP 3 - PLAN
Incorporate transformation efforts into your Improvement Strategy



STEP 4 - TRANSFORM
Apply the VTF and suite of FREE transformation tools and resources



STEP 5 - REASSESS
Measure transformation progress over time using the VTF Assessment; monitor, adjust, and improve

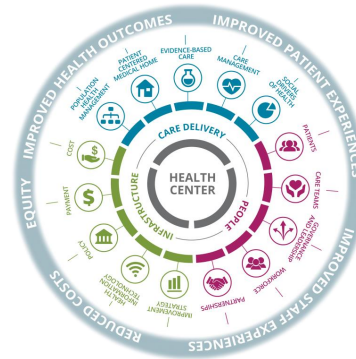
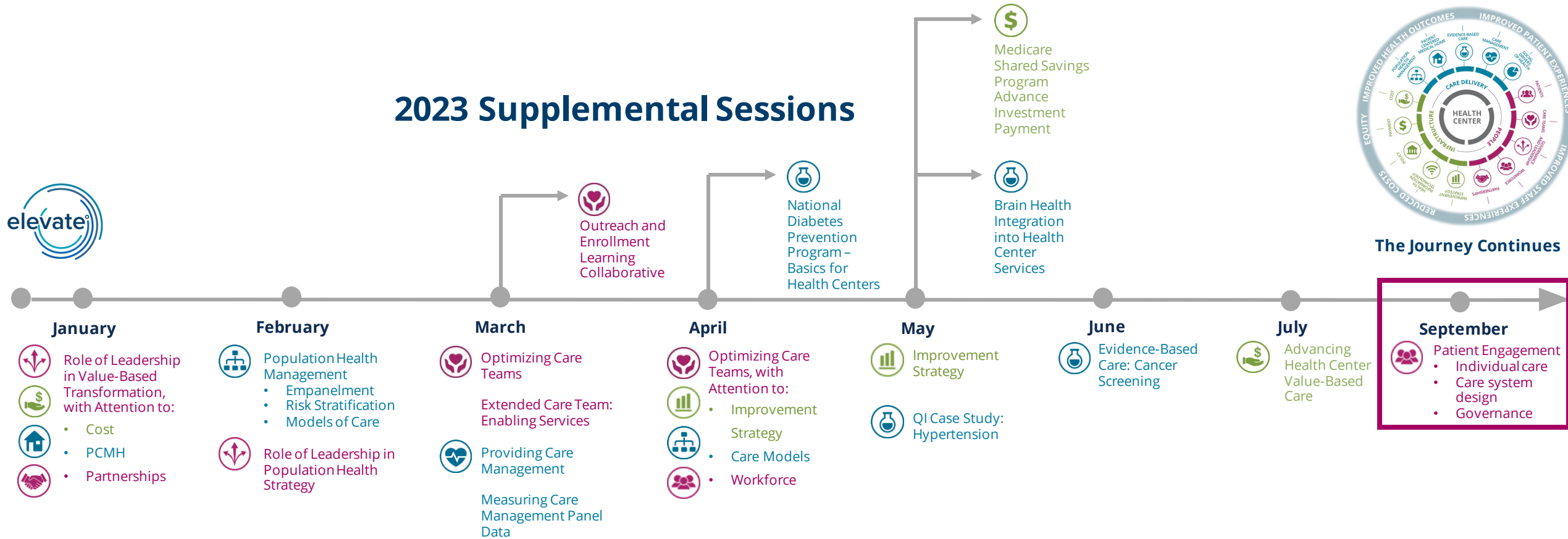


[Action Brief: How to Use the VTF and Elevate](#)
[Action Brief: Assess Transformation Progress](#)

Leading the Transition to Value-Based Care



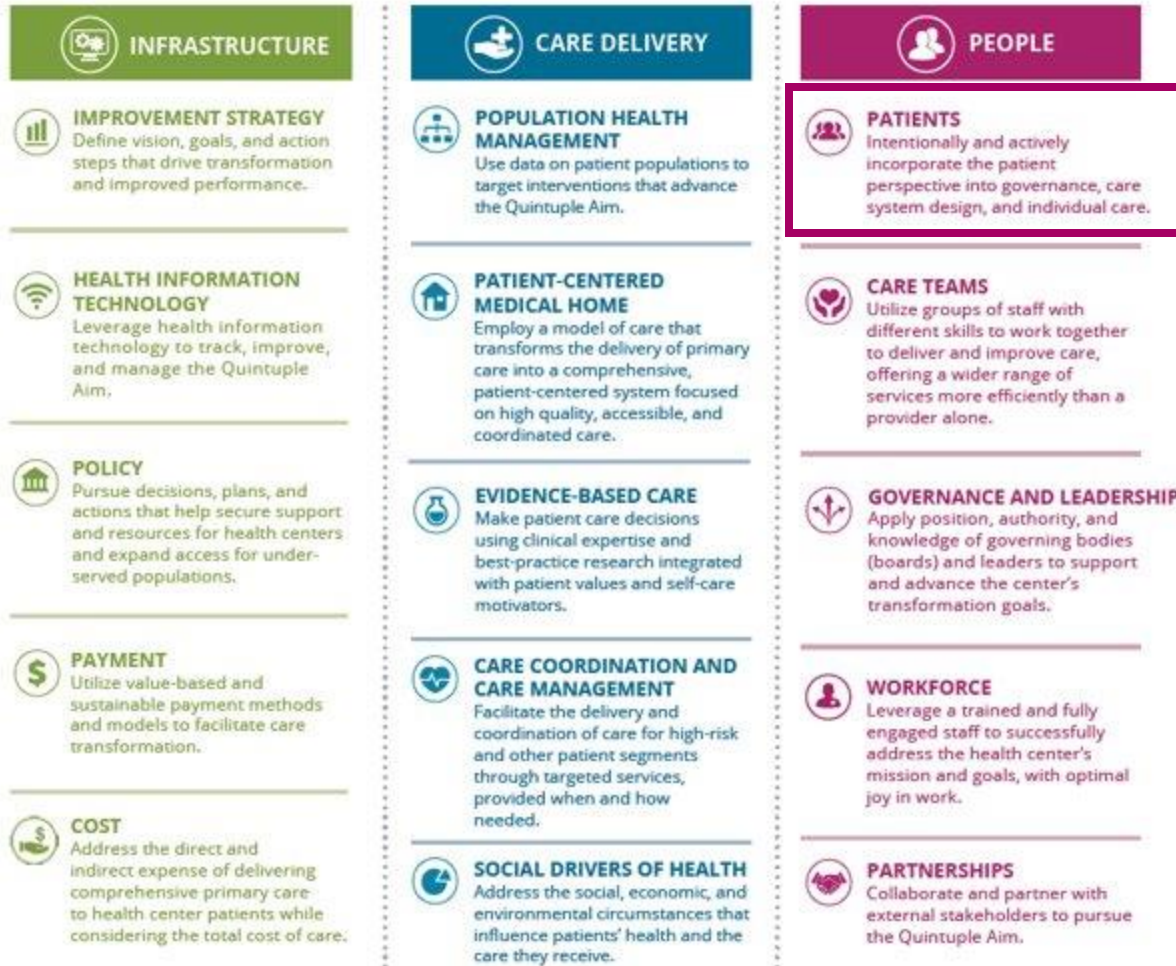
2023 Supplemental Sessions



The Journey Continues

2023 Core Elevate Learning Forums

Leading the Transition to Value-Based Care



15 Change Areas organized by 3 Domains:

Infrastructure: the components, including health information systems, policies, and payment structures, that build the foundation for reliable, high-quality health care

Care Delivery: the processes and proven approaches used to provide care and services to individuals and target populations, such as evidence-based care and social drivers of health

People: the stakeholders who receive, provide, and lead care at the health center, as well as partners that support the goals of high-value care

Patient Engagement



Patient Engagement



WHAT?



WHY?



HOW?

WHAT can health centers do to improve patient engagement?



Intentionally and actively incorporate the patient perspective into

- ✓ **Individual care** → Patient self-management, care planning, shared decision making
- ✓ **Care system design** → Models of care, health center services, HIT
- ✓ **Governance** → 51% or more of health center Board members must be health center patients

Patient Engagement



WHAT?



WHY?

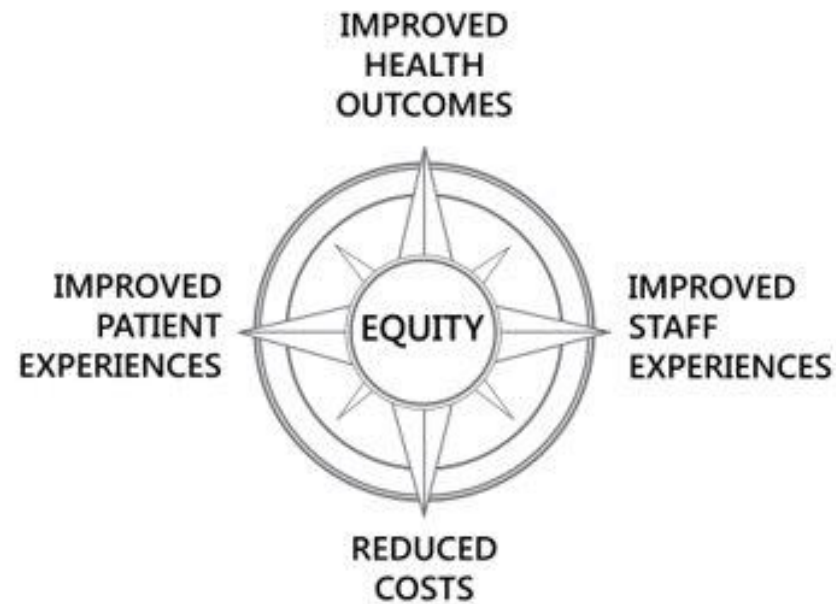


HOW?

WHY engage patients in individual care, care system design, and governance?



Building a patient-centric health system requires actively engaging patients to achieve Quintuple Aim Goals:



Patient Engagement



WHAT?



WHY?



HOW?

HOW to engage patients in...



Individual care

Care system design

Governance

HOW to engage patients in individual care



Patient Satisfaction

The extent to which a patient's *expectations* about a health care encounter were met.¹

Patient Experience

From the patient's perspective, whether something that *should* happen in a healthcare encounter happened or how often it happened.¹

Patient Engagement

The desire and capability to actively choose to participate in care in a way uniquely appropriate to the individual, in cooperation with a healthcare provider, for the purposes of maximizing outcomes or improving experiences of care.²

HOW to engage patients in individual care



Two Key Patient Engagement Concepts:

Shared decision-making: Health care providers and patients (including family members and caregivers) work together to make a decision that is best for the patient, considering evidence-based information about available options, the provider's knowledge and experience, and the patient's values and preferences.¹

Self-care support: Assistance provided to patients, especially those with chronic conditions, that enables them to manage their health on a day-to-day basis.²

HOW to engage patients in individual care?



STEP 1 Identify a patient engagement lead

STEP 2 Establish patient engagement metrics; incorporate into *improvement strategy*

STEP 3 Train staff in patient engagement

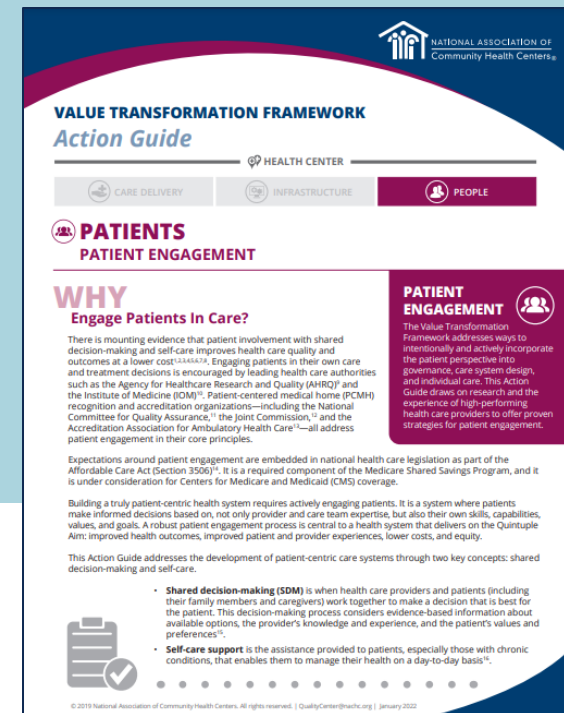
STEP 4 Use daily huddles to plan for patient engagement needs

STEP 5 Communicate with patients effectively; use patient decision aids

STEP 6 Provide tools to support patient self-management

STEP 7 Provide a written care plan or summary

Patient Engagement Action Guide



STEP 1:

IDENTIFY A PATIENT ENGAGEMENT LEAD



Designate and train a member of the staff whose role it is to maintain an organizational focus on patient engagement, including support for staff development in this area.



STEP 2:

ESTABLISH PATIENT ENGAGEMENT METRICS; INCORPORATE INTO IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY



Health care organizations focused on the Quintuple Aim need to establish at least one performance metric for the 'patient experience' goal and incorporate into health center improvement strategy.

Patient satisfaction surveys are not enough! To measure the extent to which patients engage in their care, also consider:

- Patient experience surveys
- Appointment no show rates
- Preferred method of communication (e.g., phone, text, portal, email)
- Use of self-care tools (e.g., home blood pressure monitors)
- Patients self-reported values (e.g., blood pressure)



VALUE TRANSFORMATION FRAMEWORK
Action Guide

HEALTH CENTER

INFRASTRUCTURE CARE DELIVERY PEOPLE

IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY

WHY
Is improvement strategy essential to health center performance?

The Value Transformation Framework addresses how an improvement strategy allows health centers to effectively and routinely measure and communicate information about the quality, value, and outcomes of the health care experience. In an era of value-based care, this whole-systems approach supports health centers to:

- Function as "learning organizations" engaged in continuous quality improvement and applying evidence-based interventions and best practices.
- Implement organization-wide, system-level changes that are impactful, measurable and transformative.
- Drive improvements toward the Quintuple Aim goals - improved health outcomes, improved patient experiences, improved staff experiences, reduced costs, and equity.

IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY

The Value Transformation Framework addresses how an improvement strategy allows health centers 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. It encompasses the systematic, continuous process of quality planning, improvement, control, and assurance. This Action Guide defines a concrete set of action steps health centers can take to develop an effective improvement strategy.

A health center's improvement strategy is most effective when aligned with the health center's overall strategic plan. This not only creates a solid foundation for health center improvement but integrates improvement and innovation activities within health center advancements in the infrastructure, care delivery, and people systems.

WHAT
Is a whole-systems improvement strategy?

An improvement strategy guides the advancement of health care quality. The Institute of Medicine's (IOM) 2001 landmark report, *Crossing the Quality Chasm: A New Health System for the 21st Century*, outlined six aims for improvement in the health care system. These include care that is: safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient, and equitable.

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STEP 3:

TRAIN STAFF IN PATIENT ENGAGEMENT



Building a patient-centric model of care requires a culture of teamwork, open communication, and continuous learning.

Training should include:

- **Cultural humility** and an understanding of cultural health beliefs, prevention, and care.
- **Motivational interviewing** and how to communicate effectively to support patients with improving self-management skills.
- **Utilizing patient decision aids** and where to access credible online patient education tools or referral sources.

Patient engagement is everyone's responsibility!

See the [Leadership Action Guide](#) for details on Leadership's role in creating a culture of learning



STEP 4:

USE DAILY HUDDLES TO PLAN FOR PATIENT ENGAGEMENT NEEDS



Implement daily huddles that include pre-visit planning, which allows teams to anticipate care needs.

This planning period frees time during the visit for providers and staff to build a collaborative partnership with patients.

See the [Care Teams Action Guide](#) for details on optimizing care teams to support patient care and engagement



STEP 5:

COMMUNICATE WITH PATIENTS EFFECTIVELY; USE PATIENT DECISION AIDS



Communicate with patients effectively and align care with patients' goals, priorities, and knowledge.

Strategies include:

- ✓ Providers set the norm that it is okay for patients to ask questions and offer suggestions to improve their own care
- ✓ Create a formal way to ask patients what they would like to accomplish at their visit
- ✓ Incorporate the [Ask-Tell-Ask Method](#)
- ✓ Incorporate [Teach-Back](#)
- ✓ Integrate [Decision Aids](#)
- ✓ Consider a patient's language and culture

STEP 6:

PROVIDE TOOLS TO SUPPORT PATIENT SELF-MANAGEMENT



Place self-care tools into the hands of patients to support patient engagement, building self-management skills, and improve patients' abilities to monitor chronic conditions from home.



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Transform Virtual Care

A step-by-step guide to integrate patient self-care tools into virtual care.

A suite of tools and resources to support health centers' journey to transform at-home care.

April 2021

STEP 7:

PROVIDE A WRITTEN CARE PLAN OR SUMMARY



Provide each patient with a written care plan or visit summary after each visit.



- Review existing care plan templates and visit summaries to determine if/where enhancements may be needed.
- Design patient visit processes to include patient goal setting and, where appropriate, the development of an action plan.

Patients should consider themselves members of their care team!

HOW to engage patients in...



✓ Individual care

Care system design

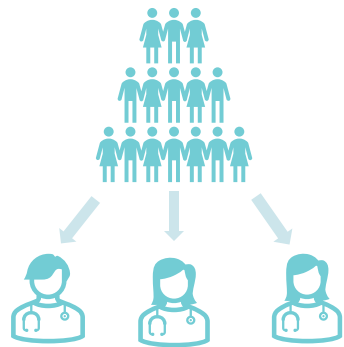
Governance

HOW to engage patients in care system design?



Empanelment

Matching every patient to a primary care provider and care team.



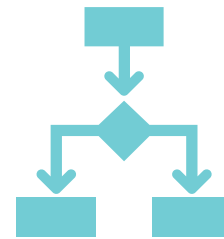
Risk Stratification

Segmenting patients into groups of similar complexity and care needs.



Models of Care

Care models based on risk for patients to be paired with more appropriate care team members and services.



Care Teams

Care teams and tasks are based on the needs of the patient population and the availability of personnel, services, and other resources.



Care Management

Intensive one-on-one services to individuals with complex health and social needs.



Leverage population health data to identify patient needs & engage patients in care system design!

- ✓ Models of care
- ✓ Health center services
- ✓ HIT

Featured Speaker



Peter Chang, MD, MPH, CPE, FAAFP
President/CEO
Grace Health

- Joined Grace Health in 1994 as a Family Practice Physician
- Appointed as Grace Health President/CEO in July 2017
- Doctorate of Medicine from University of Kansas School of Medicine
- Masters of Public Health in Executive Masters Program in Health Management and Policy from University of Michigan
- Certified Physician Executive from Certifying Commission in Medical Management

WHY? Patient Self-Rooming



- ✓ Patient and Staff Safety
- ✓ Improve the Patient Experience
- ✓ Enhance Communication
- ✓ Optimize Staff Experience

HOW? Patient Self-Rooming



- ✓ **Infrastructure Changes**
- ✓ **Welcome Message**
- ✓ **Self Check-In**
- ✓ Display Outside of Patient Room
- ✓ Location Display in Clinical Space
- ✓ Real Time Location System (RTLS) – Staff and Equipment

Reception Area



HOW? Patient Self-Rooming



- ✓ Infrastructure Changes
- ✓ Welcome Message
- ✓ Self Check-In
- ✓ **Display Outside of Patient Room**
- ✓ Location Display in Clinical Space
- ✓ Real Time Location System (RTLS) – Staff and Equipment

Hallway / Patient Room Entrance



HOW? Patient Self-Rooming



- ✓ Infrastructure Changes
- ✓ Welcome Message
- ✓ Self Check-In
- ✓ Display Outside of Patient Room
- ✓ **Location Display in Clinical Space**
- ✓ **Real Time Location System (RTLS) – Staff and Equipment**

Provider Area & Exam Room



HOW? Patient Self-Rooming



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WHAT? Patient Self-Rooming

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- ✓ Utilization of SyncTimes
- ✓ Workflow Changes
- ✓ Efficiency Using Analytics



Decrease Cycle Time



Exam Room Utilization



Staff Utilization

- ✓ Integrate Behavioral Health
- ✓ Patient Survey
- ✓ Emergencies

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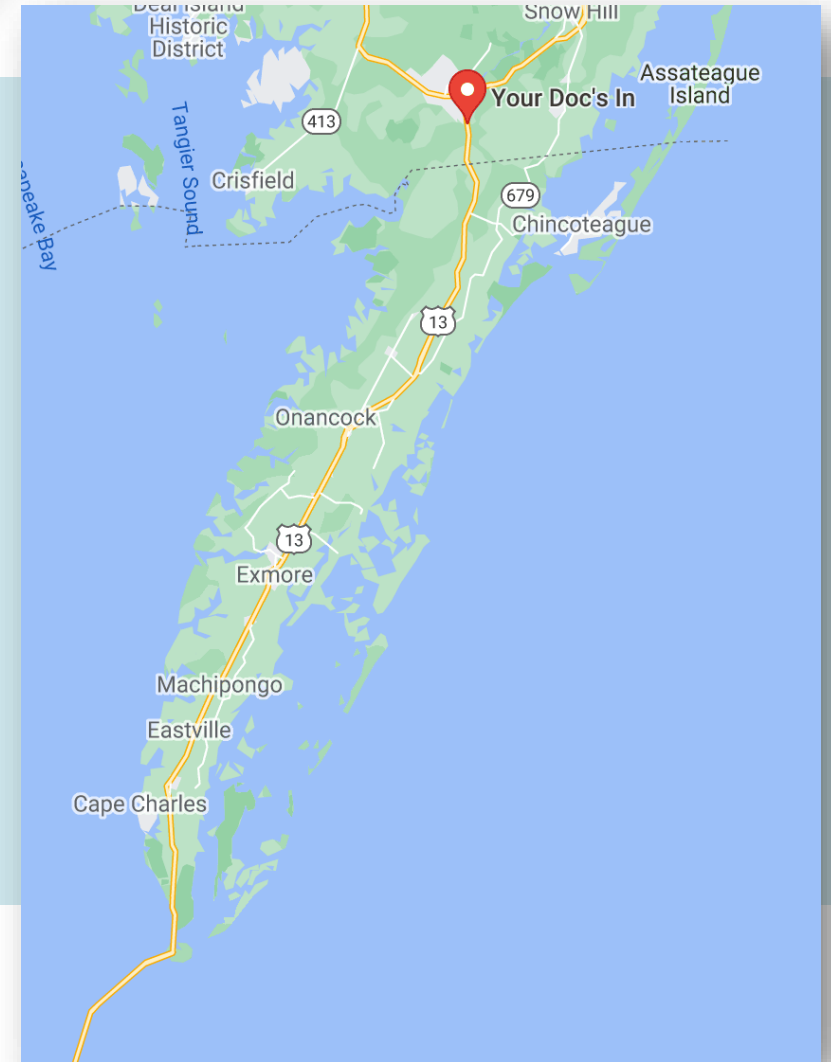
Joan K. Lingen, MD, FACOG
Chief Medical Officer
Eastern Shore Rural Health System,
Inc.

Dr Lingen is a 1989 graduate of The Chicago Medical School (now renamed The Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science) which she attended as a U.S. Navy Health Professions Scholar. As a commissioned U.S. Navy Medical Corps officer, she completed her OB/GYN internship and residency at the Naval Hospital in San Diego, CA. After completing military assignments at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan and at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, MD, she worked with the Mid-Atlantic Permanente Medical Group (Kaiser) in suburban Washington, DC and then at an urgent care/ occupational medical group in Virginia Beach, VA. She provided women's primary care services and served as a Clinical Director for the Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. (ESRHS), on the Eastern Shore of Virginia for 16 years before being promoted to Chief Medical Officer in August of 2021.

WHY? Urgent Care Within a Health Center System



- 70 miles long, 5-15 miles wide
- Population 45K
- March 2022 Community Needs Survey identified lack of urgent care as a major concern
- Single Level 1 community hospital ER



WHY? Urgent Care Within a Health Center System



Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. Community Health Center Locations

- A** **Chincoteague Island Community Health Center**
4049 Main Street
Chincoteague Island, VA 23336
- B** **Atlantic Community Health Center (with Dental)**
5219 Lankford Highway
New Church, VA 23415
- C** **Atlantic Community Pharmacy**
7001 Lankford Highway
Oak Hall, VA 23416
- D** **Metompkin Elementary School Dental***
24501 Parksley Road
Parksley, VA 23421
- E** **Corporate Office**
20280 Market Street
Onancock VA 23417
- F** **Onley Community Health Center (with Behavioral Health; Pharmacy opens late 2023)**
20206 Badger Lane
Onley, VA 23418
- G** **Eastern Shore Rural Health Express Care**
Four Corner Plaza
25228 Lankford Highway
Onley, VA 23418
- H** **Nandua Middle School Dental***
20330 Warrior Drive
Onley, VA 23418
- I** **Pungoteague Elementary School Dental***
28480 Bobtown Road
Melfa, VA 23410
- J** **Oceohannock Elementary School Dental***
4208 Seaside Road
Exmore VA, 23350
This site is served by the travel dental program.
- K** **Franktown Dental**
9159 Franktown Road
Franktown, VA 23354
- L** **Eastville Community Health Center (with Behavioral Health, Dental & Independent Pharmacy)**
17068 Lankford Highway
Eastville, VA 23347
- M** **Kiptopeke Elementary School Dental***
24023 Fairview Road
Cape Charles, VA 23310



Atlantic Ocean



Support services including health education, pharmacy assistance and insurance enrollment counseling is available at all locations.

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* In partnership with Northampton County Public Schools.

HOW? To Develop an Urgent Care Center



By doing what FQHCs often do → NETWORK!

HOW? To Develop an Urgent Care Center



- The Urgent Care Association (UCA) is the trade association for Urgent Care, with a membership of more than 4,000 Urgent Care centers representing clinical and business professionals from the United States and abroad.
- The UCA Accreditation program advances an Urgent Care organization to the highest level of distinction in patient care through safety, quality & scope of services. UCA Accreditation also helps Urgent Care centers stay in-network with select payers.
- Annual meeting in April – Accreditation Survey Preparation workshop, networking.

HOW? To Develop an Urgent Care Center



In 2022, 103,000 encounters at Denver Health urgent care centers:

- ✓ Adult Urgent Care Clinic
- ✓ Downtown Urgent Care
- ✓ Pediatric Urgent Care
- ✓ Peña Urgent Care
- ✓ Virtual Urgent Care

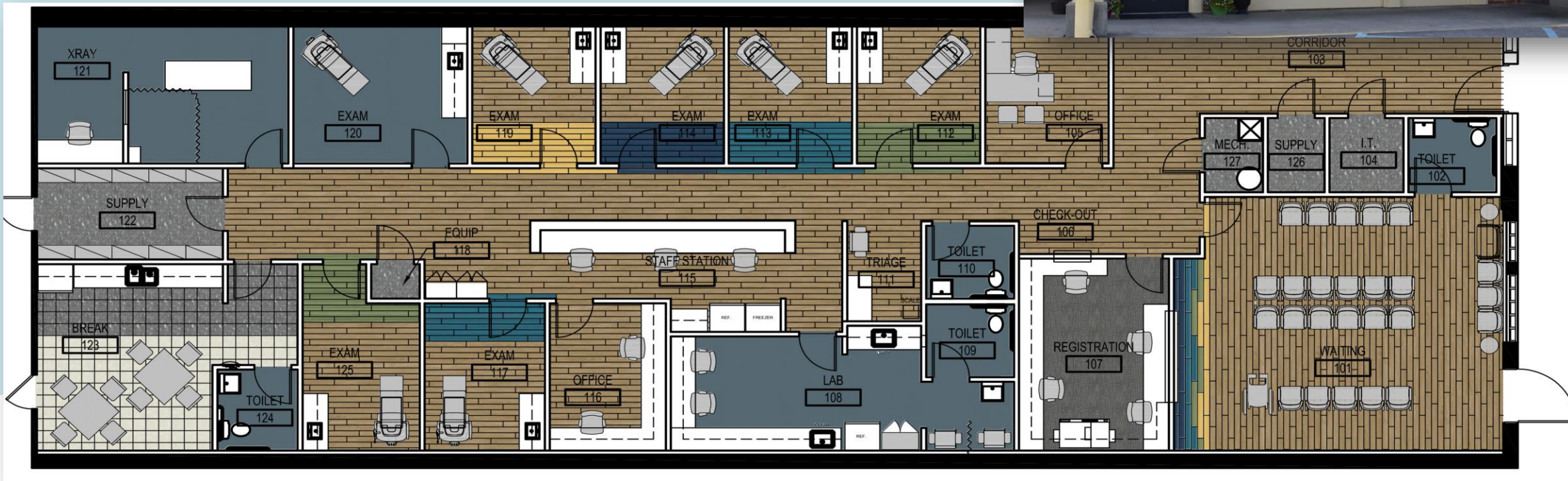
In Aug. 2022 ESRHS CMO, CNO, and COO traveled to Denver to tour and learn from our Denver Health Colleagues.



Lindsey Fish, MD
Medical Director at Peña Urgent Care Clinic
Denver Health and Hospital System



WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



Technology



WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



Staffing

Hours of operation/providers:

M-F = 12:00-8:00 pm/2 providers

S/S/Holidays = 8:00-4:00 pm/1.5 providers

2 Clinical Support Staff per medical provider

1 X-ray tech

3 Front desk staff

Leadership = Center Manager, Center Nurse Manager, Clinical Director

WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like





Community Education



WALK-IN
ACUTE CARE
FOR AGES 2+



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 **Weekdays: 12pm-8pm**
Weekends: 8am-4pm

 **Four Corner Plaza, Onley VA 23418**

Eastern Shore Rural Health
**EXPRESS
CARE**

WHAT WE TREAT

- Minor sprains, burns, cuts, wounds, or rashes
- Suspected broken bone, not shifted or out of place
- Earaches, toothaches/mouth injuries & sinus infections
- Urinary Tract Infections (UTI)
- Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD)
- Mild allergic reactions
- Animal or insect bite
- Minor infections such as fever, flu, cold, cough & sore throat
- Nausea, vomiting, & diarrhea
- Pain or discomfort
- Eye infection or irritation
- Sore throat
- Mild to moderate asthma symptoms
- Occupational injuries & illness

Plus:

- DOT physicals
- Some additional occupational medical services

WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



Community Education

WHERE SHOULD YOU GO?

Primary Care

Call or see your Primary Care Provider (PCP) for your **routine** or **acute** medical needs. Your provider's office is the best place to go for routine care and is available to call 24/7. Make an appointment for ...

Routine care:

- Check-ups, physicals & Well Child Checks
- Vaccines
- DOT exams
- Routine disease management
- Medication refills

Acute medical needs:

- Minor sprains, burns, cuts, wounds, or rashes
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- Nausea, vomiting & diarrhea
- Pain or discomfort
- Referral to a specialist
- Eye infection or irritation
- Sore throat
- Mild to moderate asthma symptoms

Express Care

Go to Urgent Care for common things that need to be treated soon, but your Primary Care Provider (PCP) is **not** available.

Urgent care is a good option when your PCP is not available, and your condition requires immediate care but is **not** life threatening. No appointment is needed. Extended and weekend hours available.

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Emergency Room

Go to the Emergency Room (ER) for serious **life threatening conditions**.

The ER is not the place to go for minor illnesses or injuries. If you experience any of the symptoms below, go to the closest ER or call 911 ...

Life threatening symptoms:

- Sudden chest pain
- Stroke symptoms - weakness/numbness on one side of the face or body, trouble with vision or speech, sudden confusion
- Seizures
- Shortness of breath
- Sudden severe headache
- Severe abdominal pain
- Severe burns & deep wounds
- Broken bones
- Severe allergic reaction
- Less than 4 weeks old with temperature higher than 100.4°F
- Coughing or vomiting blood
- Sudden loss of consciousness
- Drug overdose or poisoning
- Head or eye injury
- Thoughts of suicide or self-harm
- Uncontrolled bleeding

WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



Eastern Shore Rural Health
EXPRESS
CARE

ESVA's "Onley" Urgent Care

NOW OPEN

WALK-INS ONLY, 7 DAYS A WEEK
LOCATED IN FOUR CORNER PLAZA IN ONLEY, VA

Monday-Friday: 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday-Sunday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm



Website: expresscare.esrh.org

Information line: 757-787-1465

Facebook: [esrhexpresscare](https://www.facebook.com/esrhexpresscare)

Instagram: [esrh_expresscare](https://www.instagram.com/esrh_expresscare)

Community
Education

WHAT? Does an Urgent Care Center Look Like



First Three Months

Patient volume:

Monthly average = 1,100

M-F = 50-60

Sat = 30-40

Sun = 20-30

Featured Speaker



Dr. Nivedita Mohanty, MD, MS
Chief Health Impact Officer
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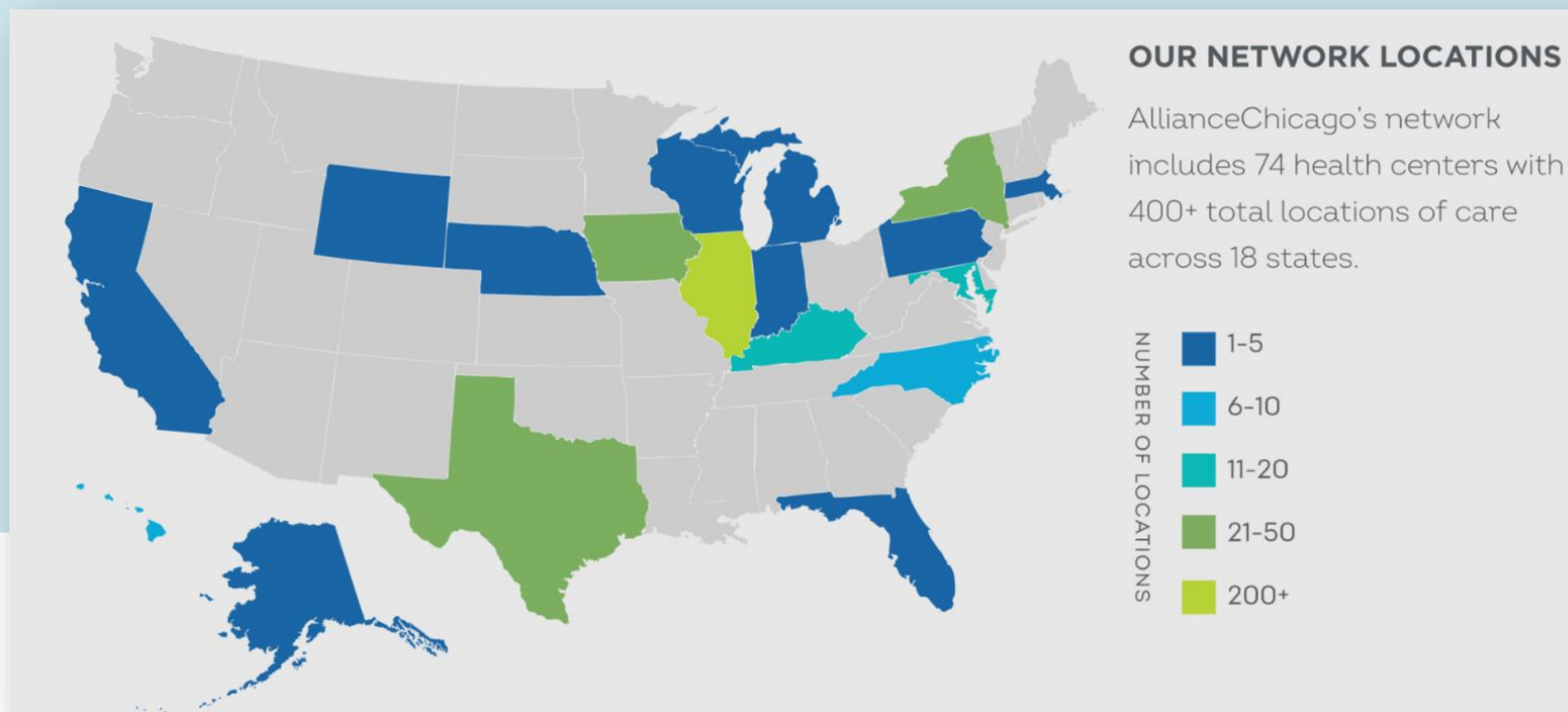
Dr. Mohanty is a practicing physician with over 16 years of experience in community health, clinical research, quality improvement, academic medicine, and international volunteerism. In addition to medical training, she holds a Master's in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety. Dr. Mohanty works closely with health centers to leverage HIT, strategic partnerships, and best practices to benefit patients and the workforce that serves them.

WHY? Use Chatbots in Community Health

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Strength in Partnership

A Multiorganizational, Multidisciplinary Team:
Health Center Controlled Network, FQHCs, and Technology Platform

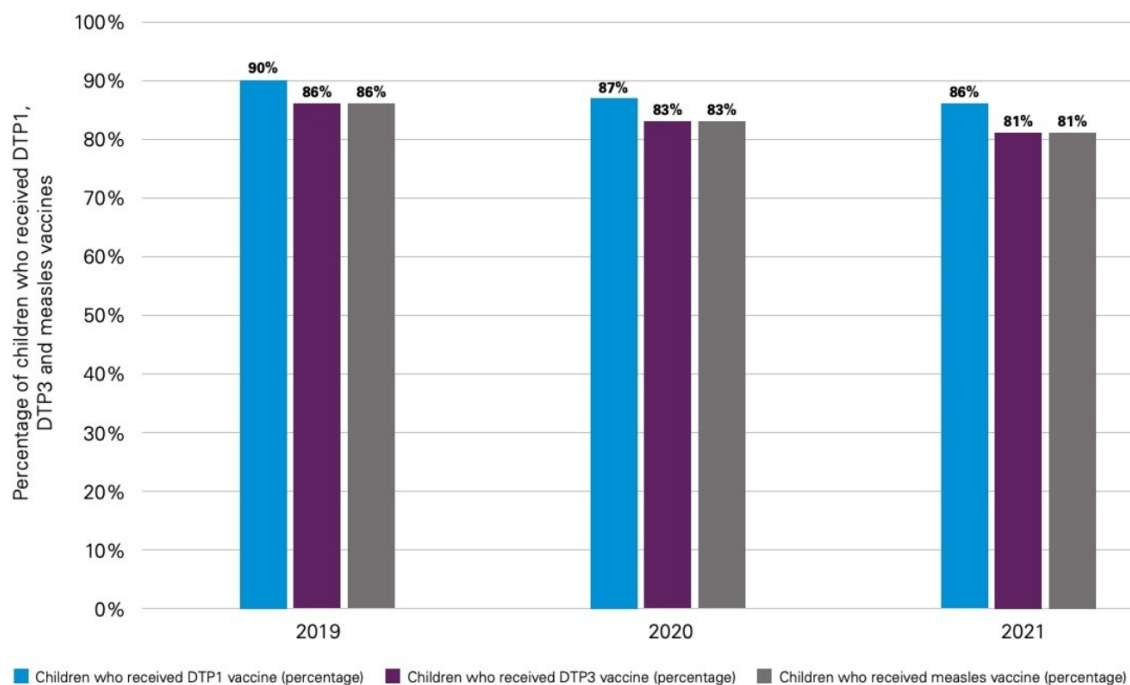


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CHEC-UP: child Health Engagement and Coaching Using Patient-Centered Innovation

Figure 1.3. The COVID-19 pandemic brought a drop in vaccination coverage
Percentages of children globally who received DTP1, DTP3 and measles vaccines



Source: World Health Organization and United Nations Children's Fund, 'Estimates of National Immunization Coverage (WUENIC), 2021 revision', July 2022.



5/8/2020

Fewer childhood vaccines have been given during the COVID-19 pandemic*

To avoid outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases and keep children protected, **vaccinations and well-child visits are essential**

*Compared with January-April, 2019

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CHEC-UP

Child Health Engagement and Coaching Using Patient-centered Innovation

Project Goals

To reduce disparities in well-child care and immunization completion in vulnerable communities through bi-directional, patient-centered communication with patients using customized Artificial Intelligence chatbots to:



Remind parents of upcoming well child visits and immunizations



Proactively engage and educate families prior to their visit through age-based recommendations from the CDC Developmental Milestones and Positive Parenting Handouts



Facilitate easy appointment scheduling

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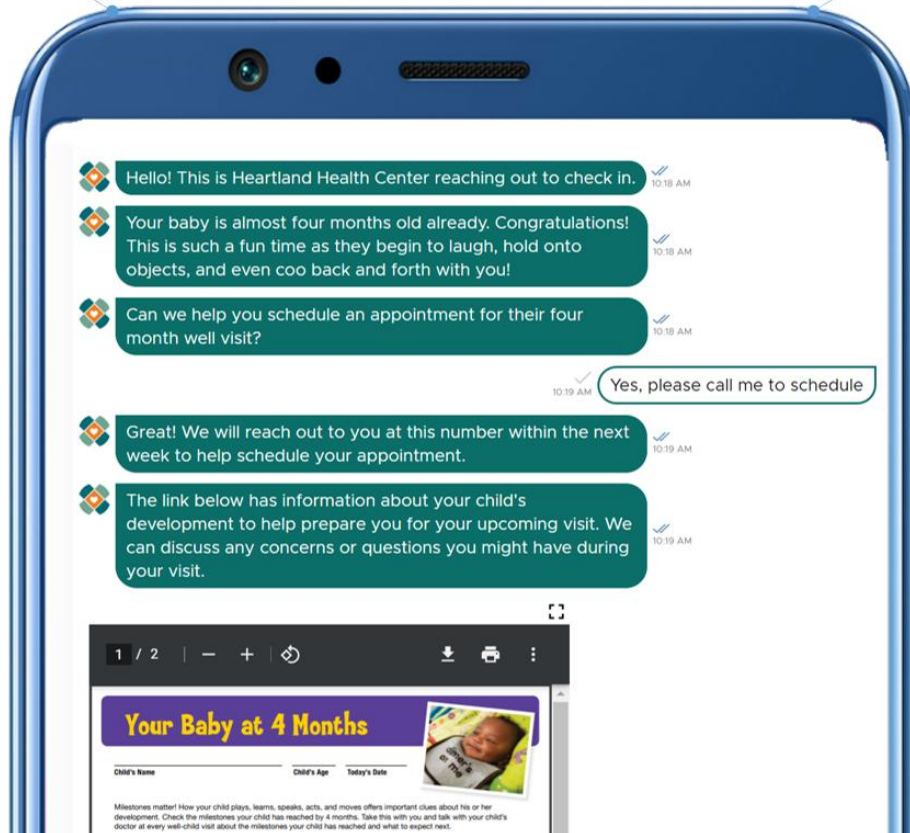
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Patient Centered- Intervention



Research has shown high levels of smartphone usage in community health



PERSONALIZED

Families receive a chatbot via text and email in their preferred language before a visit is due.



FLEXIBLE

Families can request a call for scheduling or self-schedule.



EMPOWERING

Families receive Anticipatory Guidance handouts **before** the visit to enrich dialogue.

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Patient Families

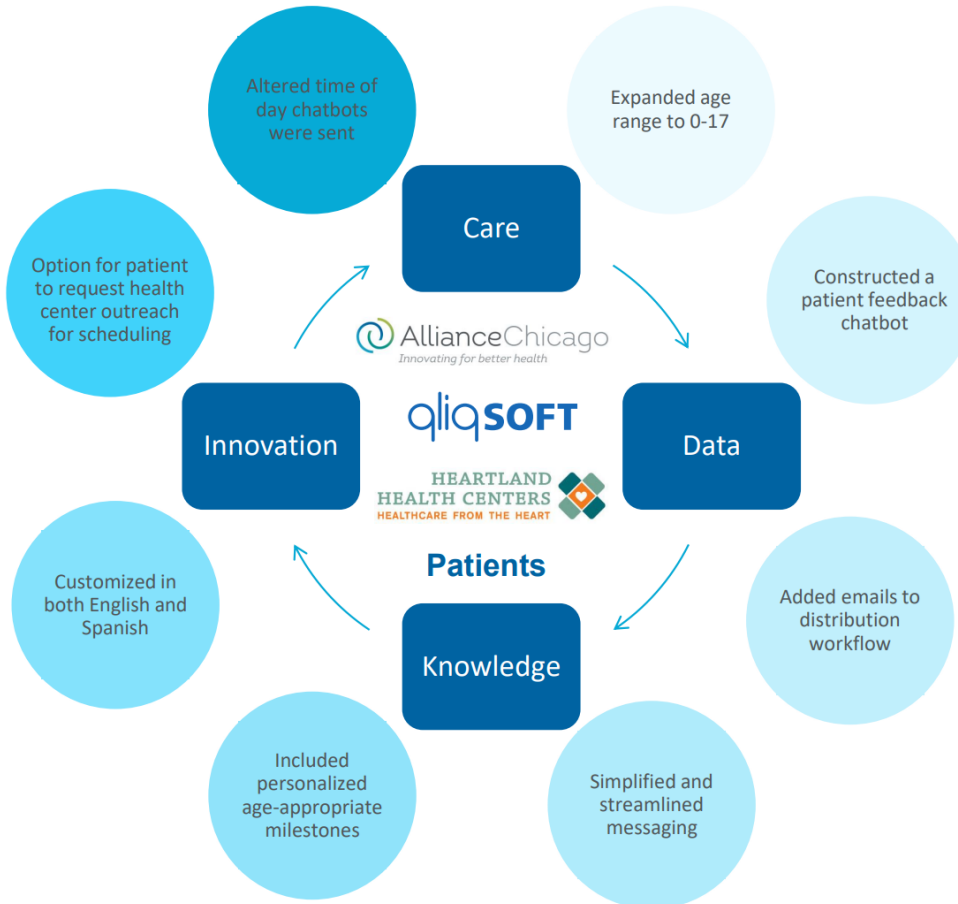
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HOW? Use Chatbots in Community Health

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Learning Health Systems Framework

Frequent collaboration, data analysis, and feedback all resulted in continuous improvements to the project.

Our team included patients as vital members of the learning team. We collected ongoing feedback from patients via surveys and interviews to strengthen our intervention.

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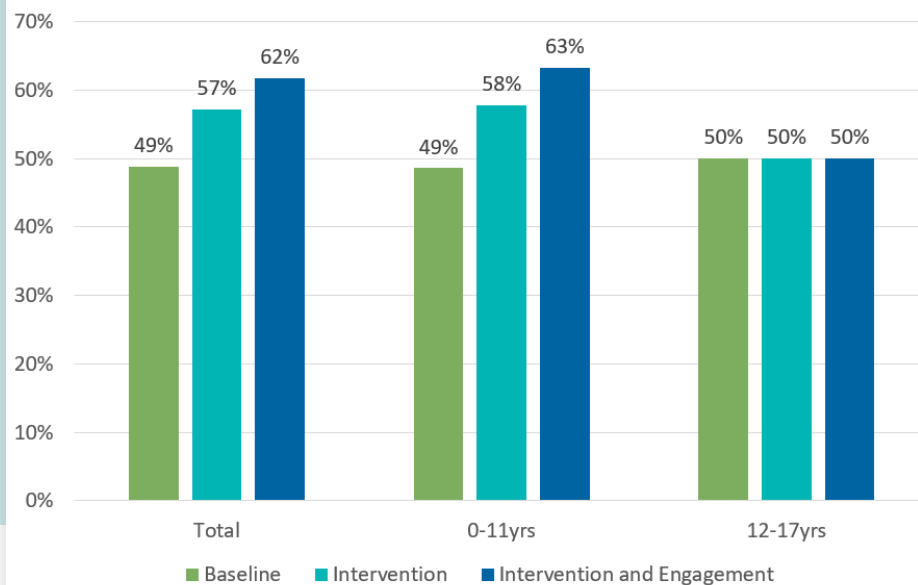
A visit can be so busy and overwhelming to families, that the idea of giving them anticipatory guidance ahead of time may help them take in the information when they have the time to focus...[and] come up with questions to ask during the visit.”

-Lead Pediatrician

WHAT? Can Chatbot Use Accomplish

CHEC-UP Results

Well Child Visit and Immunization Completion Rates



The intervention group that engaged with the chatbot demonstrated a **27%** relative increase in well child visit and immunizations compared to baseline.

- Patients in the **Intervention** group receiving the chatbot saw an **8%** increase in well child visit and immunization completion.
- Patients in the **intervention** group that **engaged** with the chatbot saw a **13%** increase in well child visit and immunization completion.

WHY? Use Chatbots in Community Health

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The REACH Project: RE-Imagining Primary Care Using Artificial Intelligence and CHatbots

- ✓ Improve adherence of care providers and patients to recommendations
- ✓ Improve the patient experience
- ✓ Advance population health and incorporate recognition of contributing social drivers
- ✓ Improve access to education while averting costly visit and care team time
- ✓ Alleviate care team burden
- ✓ Offer a cost-effective, scalable alternative
- ✓ Allow the flexibility for local providers to tailor messages to their communities and populations.

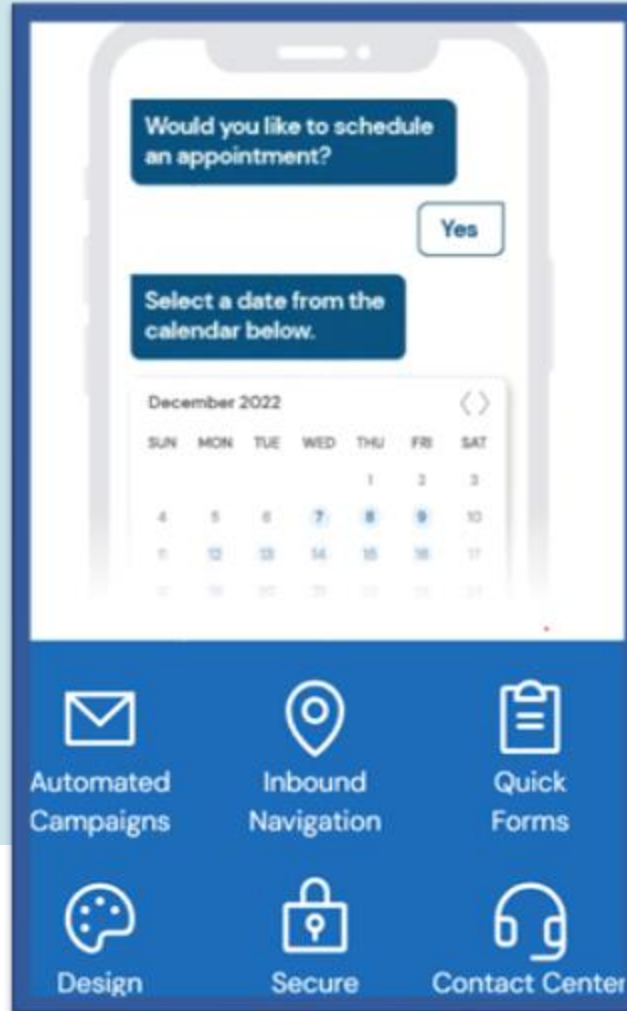


HOW? Use Chatbots in Community Health

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The REACH Approach

- ✓ Breast CA Screening
- ✓ Colon CA Screening
- ✓ Immunizations
- ✓ Patients w/ HTN



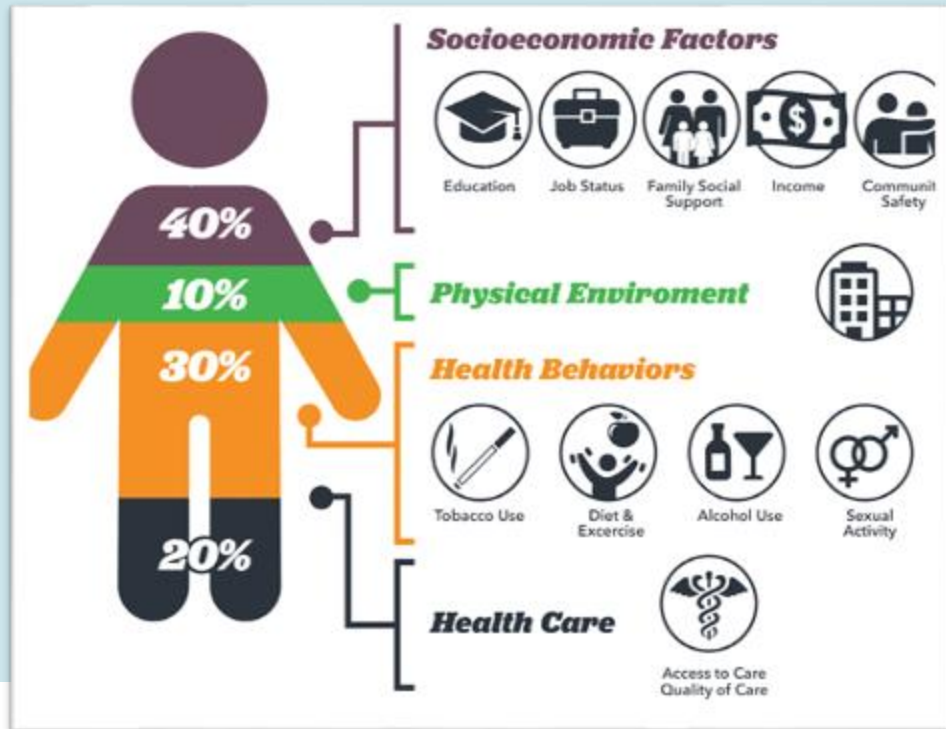
Chatbots:

- ✓ Alleviate care team burden
- ✓ Improve patient access to information
- ✓ Screen for SDOH

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The REACH Approach to SDOH



- ✓ Respects patient privacy
- ✓ Streamlines workflow
- ✓ Reduces staffing constraints
- ✓ Aligns screening questions with available resources

WHAT? Can Chatbot Use Accomplish

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Patient Outreach

- ✓ **1630** patients
- ✓ Age range: 2 months to 70 years
- ✓ **24-29%** Engagement Rate Across all Chatbots
- ✓ **36%** Requested Care Coordination Assistance
- ✓ Peak patient engagement time period **11am-2pm**

Social Drivers of Health

- ✓ **58%** of Respondents to SDOH screening identified needs (in prior published work 27% identified needs*)
- ✓ Food was the most requested (**54%**)
- ✓ Insurance was the second most requested (**31%**)
- ✓ Transportation was the least requested (**15%**)

*Tuzzio, L., Wellman, R. D., De Marchis, E. H., Gottlieb, L. M., Walsh-Bailey, C., Jones, S. M., ... & Lewis, C. C. (2022). Social risk factors and desire for assistance among patients receiving subsidized health care insurance in a US-based integrated delivery system. *The Annals of Family Medicine*, 20(2)

WHAT? Can Chatbot Use Accomplish

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Breast Cancer Screening:

Baseline: **0%** of patients receiving outreach had completed or scheduled a mammogram

After engaging with the bot: **46%** completed their mammogram, and *additional 36%* have a referral in progress

Blood Pressure Monitoring:

46% of patients engaging with the chatbot wish to enroll in remote monitoring

96% increase in enrollment from baseline enrollment (33 patients at baseline compared with 65 post chatbot)

Patient and Workforce Experience

Overall Experience: **4.86**

Communication Mode: **5**

Educational Materials: **4.85**

Respect for Privacy: **5**

SDOH Domains offered: **4.71**

% Desiring more chatbot communication: **88%**

% Preferring chatbots to phone outreach: **75%**

"It [feels like you are] showing more concern [about] the patient and with everything happening in the world with COVID I'm happy [you]'re showing concern."
- Patient Survey Respondent

"I can confidently say we have sparked innovation amongst Settlement Health staff. My colleagues are now messaging me on teams or stopping me in the hall to see if we can create chatbots to help them within their role to reach their targeted population. I look forward to creating more outreach scripts." - Population Health Manager

HOW to engage patients in...



- ✓ Individual care
- ✓ Care system design

Governance

HOW to engage patients in governance?



- Health centers are governed by a board of directors
- Health center boards are unique because 51% of members must be patients of the center
- The patient-majority, community-based board model helps ensure health centers are responsive to patient and community needs

Learn More About the Patient-Driven Governance Model




[Health Center Board Roles Video](#)
9-minute overview of health center board roles



[Health Center Board: Benefits to Health Centers](#)
Outlines the benefits of the model


Dedicated Value-Based Care Resources

NEW!



Health Center Value-Based Care Business Analysis Tool

NACHC Quality Center, August 2023

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This tool is provided to assist community health centers in evaluating their risk tolerance for value-based care models as well as estimates of projected revenues, costs and returns on investment for various alternative payment arrangements. To assess your organization's financial position, please review the following directions before completing the subsequent worksheets.

Please note: The workbook is meant to provide high-level financial projections using national averages and benchmarking information. Other factors influencing your organization's ability to assume value-based arrangements (i.e. geography, average salaries, cost of living, patient demographics, etc.) would need to be evaluated separately.

Additionally, please note the glossary worksheet contains helpful definitions and source data used for benchmarking purposes.


Directions:

Complete the following tabs

- Risk Assessment:** Answer each question in the "response" column to the best of your knowledge. When you have completed the assessment, a score will populate at the bottom of the page indicating high, medium or low risk readiness based on your responses. In this section, value-based care contracts are defined as Shared Savings agreements, care coordination payments as well as alternative payment models (bundled payments, capitated arrangements, etc.)
- Projected Revenues:** populate the following information for each of your current and/or potential future value-based care contracts to generate total projected revenues. For definitions of the revenue categories, please reference the Glossary tab.
 - # of lives included in contract
 - Upside potential (optional)
 - Downside potential (optional)
 - Contractual revenue (per member per month)
 - At-risk revenue (annual total)
- Projected costs:** populate the following information to view the total projected costs for your value-based care contracts:
 - # of covered lives across all contracts
 - # of providers participating in VBC contracts
 - Annual salary/benefits for any current or future FTEs lists (optional: if salary is not known, then MGMA median salary)
 - Annual costs

[Instructions](#) | [1. F](#)

Model	Contract	# of Lives	Total Projected Revenue	Total Projected Cost	Total Net Operating Income
Medicare Shared Savings Program		0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medicare ACO Reach		0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medicaid Value-Based Care Plans		0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commercial Value-Based Care Programs	Commerical Contract #1	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commercial Value-Based Care Programs	Commerical Contract #2	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commercial Value-Based Care Programs	Commerical Contract #3	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medicare Advantage Plans	Medicare Advantage Contract #1	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medicare Advantage Plans	Medicare Advantage Contract #2	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medicare Advantage Plans	Medicare Advantage Contract #3	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total		0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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VALUE TRANSFORMATION FRAMEWORK Action Brief

DEVELOPING YOUR HEALTH CENTER'S VALUE-BASED PAYMENT GOALS

Preparing for value-based payment is an essential step to improve patient outcomes and equity, contain costs, and care strategy at your health center involves a thoughtful resources with the principles of value-based care. As the a clear plan for the next 12-18 months. This action guide value-based care goals.

STEP 1 UNDERSTAND VALUE-BASED CARE


Before setting value-based care goals, it is important to understand the following definitions:

- Value-based care** is the model of care that focuses on quality, patient experience, and total cost of care.
- Value-based payment** ties payment to the volume of services delivered.
- Accountable care** is a group of providers who are responsible for quality, cost, and outcomes for a defined population of patients.

Through financial incentives and other means, health centers can be held accountable for improving patient outcomes at the right time.


- Understand the national vocabulary of the value-based payment journey. The **Value-Based Care Framework** was created by the Health Center Learning Community to categorize payment models from a continuum.
- Consider using the **Value-Based Care Framework** as a national health center learning community.
- Learn about the various VBC models, including shared savings, capitated, and pay-for-performance.
- Familiarize yourself with the key components of VBC, including care coordination, patient engagement, and data.

By understanding value-based care and payment models, you can better position your health center.

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ATTRIBUTION THRESHOLDS FOR VALUE-BASED CARE

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ATTRIBUTION

WHAT is Attribution?

Attribution or "assignment" is the process that payors use to assign patients to a provider for purposes of tracking accountability for quality, patient experience, and total cost of care. Attribution defines the population for which a provider, accountable care organization (ACO), or Clinically Integrated Network (CIN) is held accountable. It is a foundational component of population health management under value-based payment (VBP) models. Attribution differs from empanelment, which is the internal process used by health centers to match all patients with a primary care provider and care team, regardless of payer.

There are three primary approaches to attribution:


- Prospective Attribution.** Patient assignments are determined for the upcoming performance year (PY) based on claims data from a defined look-back period.
- Retrospective (Performance Year) Attribution.** Patient assignments are determined based on care and services provided in the completed performance period.
- Hybrid (Concurrent) Attribution.** Patient assignments are determined for the upcoming performance period using historic care and services provided with continuous adjustments based on care delivery patterns.

In addition to the primary attribution methods noted above, other attribution methods exist, including auto-assignment, patient selection, and consideration of prescription data. It's important for health centers to understand the attribution methodology, whether it's the methods above or a combination of approaches. While there are numerous methods to understand, **patient self-reporting, declaration, or confirmation that the primary care provider to whom they have been attributed is their primary care provider is the gold standard for attribution** (PCPLAN, 2016).

WHY is Attribution Important?

With the growth and spread of VBP models, health centers must understand the operational, financial, and actuarial (i.e., assessing financial and insurance risk) implications of attribution. Attribution is foundational to value-based payment arrangements and therefore critical for health centers to understand and manage. Patient attribution allows practitioners and care teams to identify the patients for which they are accountable by the payer. Attribution does not change how patients access or receive care but creates accountability within a provider group to coordinate a patient's overall care needs (HCPAN, 2016). Under VBP arrangements, the health center can receive financial rewards for keeping patients healthy and out of the hospital. This may include current health center patients and patients assigned to the practice and in need of primary care services for preventive and chronic care needs. Health centers must assess their operations and ability to outreach to patients with whom they have yet to develop a relationship with but to which the health center is being held accountable to a payer.

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PAYOR DATA

WHY is Payor Data Important?


Appropriate and timely patient data is a key factor to effective population health management and performance in value-based payment models. Health insurance plans (Payers) often have access to patient health information that health centers may not, since payors receive claims (request for payment for services rendered) submitted by various health care providers including hospitals, emergency departments, urgent care centers, clinicians, and others. Health center access to payor data offers a view into the care and services patients may be receiving outside the health center. Providers can better understand changes in health status they may not have been informed of, where care is being received, utilization patterns, and in some instances, the cost of the care provided. Given the complex nature of health center populations, having a broader perspective on what is happening outside the clinic walls can be invaluable. While data from payors is often delayed (due to the time it takes to be processed before it can be shared) and often does not include robust social drivers of health information, it is still an essential data source for health centers engaged in value-based payment models. Payor data can be integrated with the data a health center has within the electronic health record (EHR) and population health management systems.

As health centers advance through their value-based care and payment journey, and take on increasing accountability for their patient populations (see LAN Framework that offers a national vocabulary for categorizing payment models), it becomes essential for health centers to understand how payor data can be leveraged, how payor data is received by the health center (and at what frequency), and the health information technology (HIT) infrastructure necessary to integrate and transform payor data into actionable population health management solutions.

WHAT Data Do Health Centers Receive from Payors, and What Does It Look Like?

The volume of data and the specific values/metrics that a health center receives from a payor will depend on the type of value-based arrangements in which the health center is participating. In pay-for-performance, or quality arrangements, payors may share less data than a shared savings arrangement that looks at total cost of care for a population.

As health centers advance along the continuum of accountability (e.g., progress along the LAN continuum), payors will share additional data. Once health centers enter into LAN Category 3A and above, payors will share more than quality measures/gaps in care reports with providers. This additional payor data may include information on a



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Business Analysis Tool to assist health centers in making financial projections regarding VBP engagement

Suite of Value-Based Payment Action Briefs
 Developing VBP Goals, Attribution, Attribution Thresholds, Payor Data

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CHWs

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CHW Supervisors

Professional Development Opportunity

Training for health center staff who supervise CHWs



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210 awards**

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Professional Development for CHC Workforce

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Person-Centered Care for Individuals who have Higher Weight: Gain knowledge on best practices to support individuals with higher weight bodies to build a workforce equipped to care for adults with elevated body mass index.

Health Center Nursing Professionals: A learning community of health center nurses focused on the role of nursing in value-transformation.

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Applications due
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[Lifestyle Coaching & Higher
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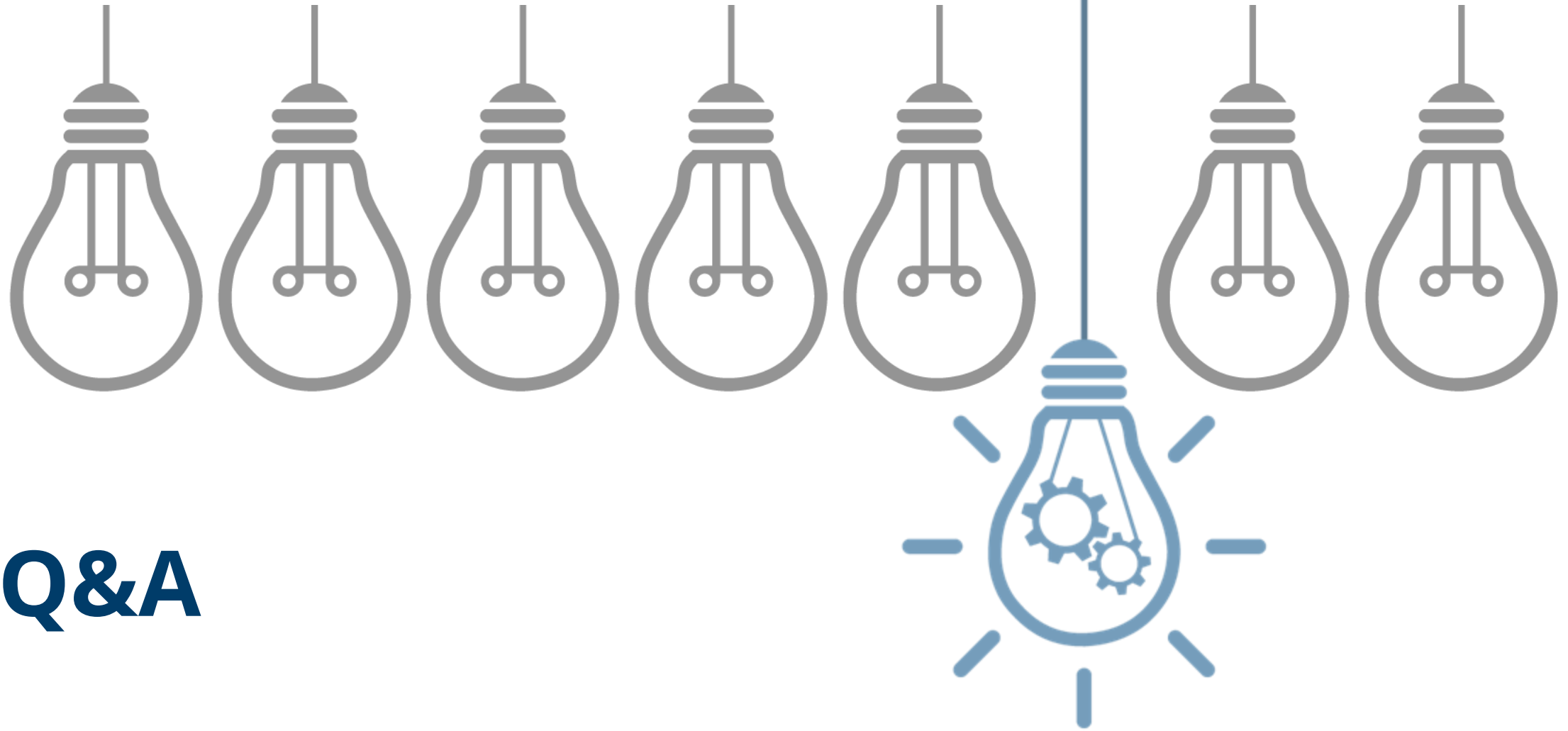
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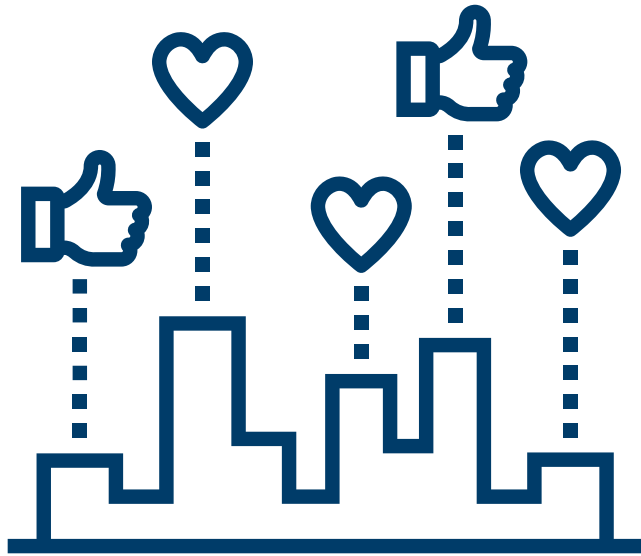
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