

## **PCM Community Integration Design Group Meeting 1**

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### **PCM Overview**

1. Building the Primary Care System We Need
  - a. We need a greater investment in primary care by improving costs and outcomes
  - b. Integrated and expanded care teams
  - c. Technology that connects patients with providers outside of office hours
  - d. A Payment Reform Model can help primary care be more flexible and better meet the needs of patients
2. PCM Model Design
  - a. Define practice capabilities and payment model options that support them
  - b. Collaborate with leadership and support from providers, payers and consumers as partners in payment reform design
  - c. Include participation from Medicaid, Medicare, Medicare Advantage and commercial health plans
  - d. Model design for consideration by the governor elect following 2018 election
  - e. If model moves forward, implementation would begin in 2020/2021
3. PCM: The Work to Date
  - a. Stakeholders have identified many goals for a new model of PC in CT:
    - i. Support patient-centered, coordinated care and a better patient experience
    - ii. Help patients prevent disease, identify health problems early and better manage chronic illnesses so fewer emergency room visits and hospitalizations are needed.
    - iii. Expand care teams and improve access outside the traditional office visit.
    - iv. Double investment in primary care over five years through more flexible payments.
    - v. Reduce total cost of care while protecting against underservice and improving quality and patient experience.

### **Community Integration Definition and Recommendations**

1. Consumer Needs
  - a. Patients and families need a variety of support services beyond traditional medical care
  - b. Support navigating the healthcare system, making lifestyle changes, connecting with other providers, coordinating care, managing chronic conditions
  - c. Support services beyond traditional medical care that connect patients with affordable solutions and community resources
  - d. Improvement of health outcomes particularly in low-income communities

- e. Care and care teams that address religion/language barriers and other cultural differences
  - f. Support securing transportation and child care for in-office visits and/or alternative ways to access care
2. What are we missing?
    - a. State: How do we evolve EMS system? How do we better utilize EMS for non-emergency transports?
  3. Community Integration
    - a. Extends primary care services into the community and connects patients to community-based services for patients with high-risk, social determinants of health needs, and/or chronic conditions
      - i. Consumer: If these are contracts, these are closed network→ how are organizations going to be identified? Is this based on a geographic area with a focus on prevention? What else are we looking for community organizations to bring to the table?
      - ii. FHC: Advanced Networks and FQHS that are currently participating in a shared savings arrangement with payers (rather than single networks)
      - iii. Consumer: Is the expectation that one organization is going to be able to respond?
        1. FHC: Not a single organization.
      - iv. Consumer: How are these organizations identified by primary care?
      - v. FHC: The network would need to work with the practice to determine needs assessment.
        1. Consumer: Consider in certain geographic areas that you are going to have a lack of available services (diabetes management, mental health support groups)→ once there's an identified need, there may be some capacity building in the community needed (gaps in services available depending on geographic areas)
        2. Consumer: If the assessment is largely based on those accessing care, we can exacerbate disparity for those who don't seek care (particularly men of color)
          - a. Communication directly with CBOs for those not seeking care (data collection by practices is necessary)
      - vi. Have multiple venues or at least more than one avenue to do the assessment
      - vii. OHS: Distinguish the two grey boxes in diagram
        1. FHC: 1. In-home services or community delivers PC services; 2. people are linked to community-based services within medical settings
        2. OHS: Health Leads model use students or interns but could also be community health workers, they work within the primary care setting
          - a. They are on-site
        3. Consumer: What kind of information system technology is monitoring this?
        4. Assess and monitor ED visits, hospitalization, post hospitalization appointments→ a robust electronic system that helps produce data

- a. We have a reporting mechanism as well.
  - b. We do a year look-back and can conduct comparative analysis with patients
- 5. FHC: Do you share this with the primary care providers you work with or do you have the same EHR system as them?
  - a. We use EHR and our APRN is able to connect with providers
- 6. Consumer: UPenn impact model
  - a. FHC: We will investigate this
- 7. OHS: The clinical examples were biased to picking CT-based examples
- 8. OHS: FQHCs also have a method of tracking
- 9. OHS: If someone needs services that are not primary care in nature (healthy food or housing), the network wouldn't be contracting for those services they would either work with a CHW or contracting with a Health Leads organization
  - a. Where does this fit into the diagram?
  - b. Links to community-based services in primary care
    - i. Primary care is doing the link to those community-based services → call it links to community-based services and reports
    - ii. Consumer: Feedback loop is important from consumer and provider perspective
      - 1. FHC: Annual survey?
      - 2. Consumer: No, someone that manages the network.
      - 3. Consumer: How CBOs will be brought in and what the network is going to look like → to what extent are these initiatives going to really address SDOH risk patients not seeking care.
      - 4. FHC: How do we do those assessments? Needs-based and ongoing?
    - iii. OHS: Payment Reform Council's work: the primary care modernization is focused on patients attributed to a network; being not attributed means you don't end up on an over-use of ED score card
      - 1. You don't allow people to be unattributed.
      - 2. Consumer → Why would somebody try to extend into the ED to try and get these patients needs met? Mark: Get these people auto-assigned and they get put on a provider's roster.
      - 3. OHS: Paying for housing, food, cell phones → not clear that we are trying to solve for a service is care-related (unsure if we can imbed non-health-related activities, suspect the feds

will say this is part of the shared-savings) Build-in of community supports = skeptical

#### 4. Social Determinants of Health Screening

##### a. Should all practices be required to screen for SDOH?

- i. Consumer: Yes.
- ii. OHS: Targeted screening is preferable to non-targeted screening because it takes admin time and energy to screen for anything
  1. Broad-based universal screening vs. targeted screening
  2. In the absence of a health problem- is it the role of primary care to screen for SDOH risk?
  3. Consumer: Isn't the point of this to screen for whole health outcomes?
  4. The ACC intervention is focused on screening for risk focused on acute to chronic illness and injuries
  5. FHC: There should be SDOH screening even for people who may not appear high risk to work towards healthier lifestyles
  6. FHC: What networks resources are needed to enable this? Screening tool? EHR that can capture this?
  7. Consumer: When someone gets attributed to a network, do they have to fill out info about themselves and where they are in their life?
    - a. FHC: Get attributed based on PCP they've been seeing or if they visit an ED
    - b. FHC: There's a need for patient engagement outreach
    - c. Consumer: We must be careful how you find these people or who approaches the individuals → concern over engagement and initial introduction
    - d. Consumer: Once our staff go into the home, they're welcomed, an assessment is done and then a social worker does a psycho social assessment.
    - e. FHC: So, there's a need for the care team to do an outreach to the patient
    - f. FHC: Approach we need to make sure we are considering?
      - i. Consumer: Who is that point of contact for the SDOH assessment and where it takes place? Needs to be culturally appropriate
      - ii. Consumer: Understanding the capacity of the CBOs is important
      - iii. Consumer: Training CHWs is also a certification process and unsure if this should happen in primary care
        1. Better to have a CHW to do it than a PCP