Caring for High-Need, High-Cost Patients In & Out of Primary Care

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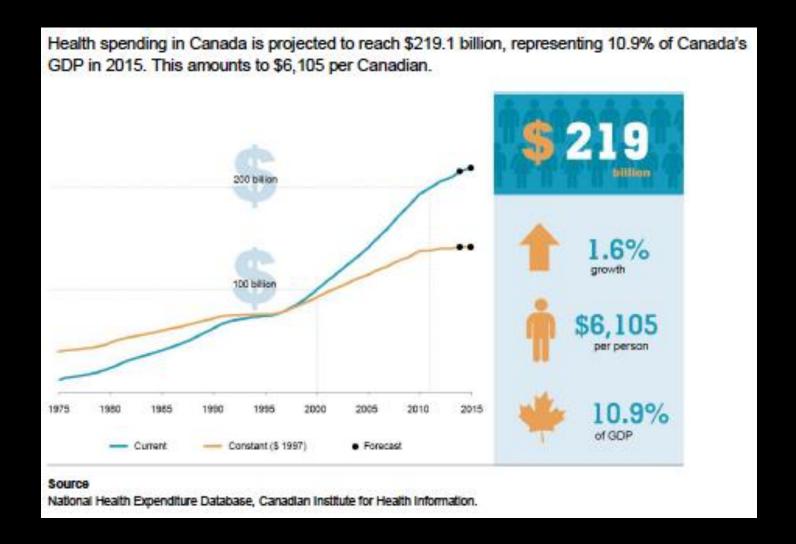
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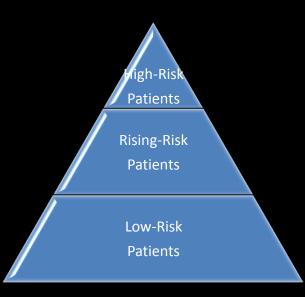
Pressure on government budgets pushing policy changes to address rising cost



Opportunity to Transform Health Delivery

- Move from
 - Units of care delivery to people & populations
 - Partial to whole person
 - Fragmented to integrated systems
 - Autonomous physicians to multidisciplinary teams
- Continuously improve
- Focus on things shown to improve value & support innovation
 - Improve by increments & leaps
- Engage the community
- Rapidly share learning

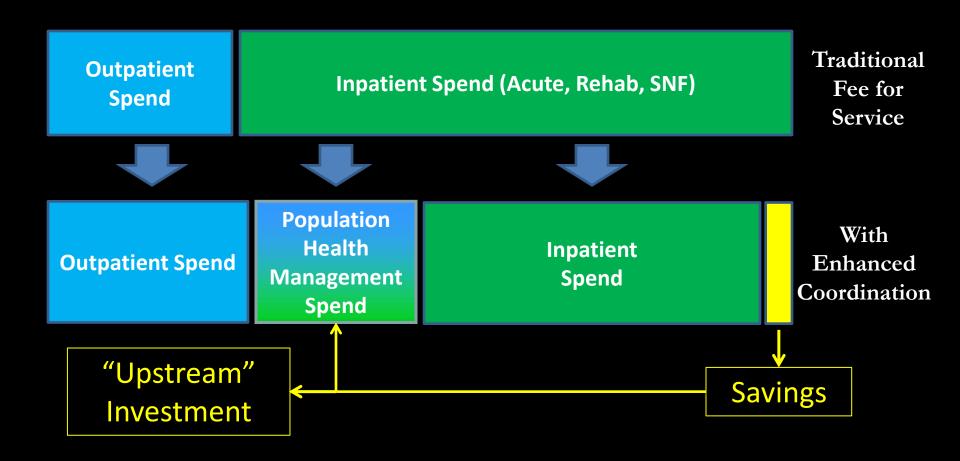
Population health management approaches are at the core of this delivery transformation effort



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Conceptual Strategy for Population Health Management



High-Risk

Patients (5%)

Rising-Risk Patients (15-35%)

Low Touch/High Volume

- "Surveillance"
- Wellness & Health Coaching
- Tools mHealth/Pt
 Engagement Industry,
 Virtual Visits, Health Ed

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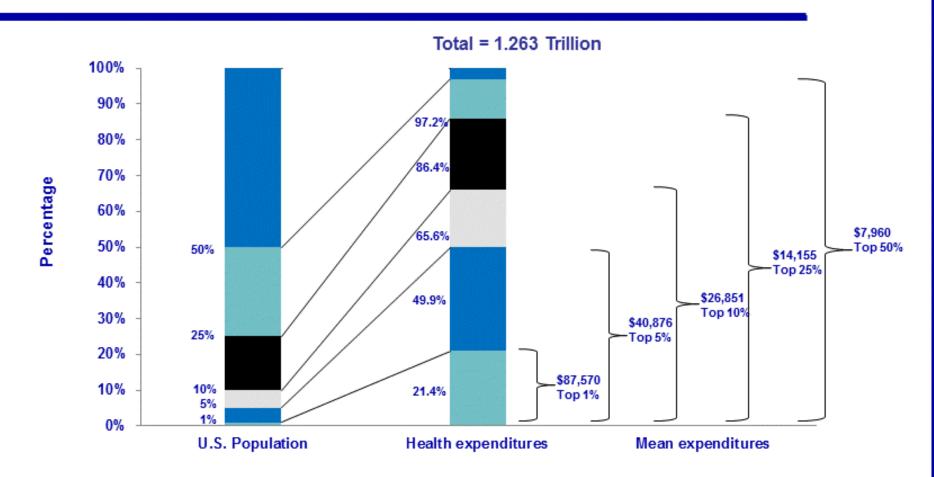
- Face-to-Face engagement
- Chronic disease & Health Coaching
- Tools Enhanced Primary Care

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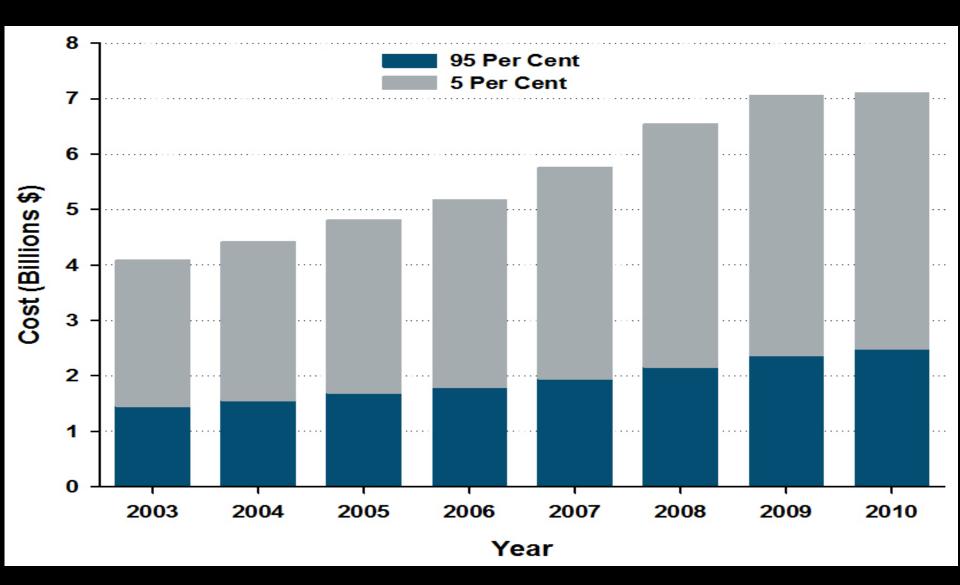


Figure 1. Distribution of health expenditures for the U.S. population by magnitude of expenditure and mean expenditures, 2010



Source: Centerfor Financing, Access, and Cost Trends, AHRQ, Household Component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, 2010

5% Account for 65% of Health System Costs Alberta





Specially trained multidisciplinary, complex care management teams



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High Touch/High Volume

- Frequent interaction
- Intensive Care Coordination/Chronic Disease Management
- Tools Complex Care Management Teams

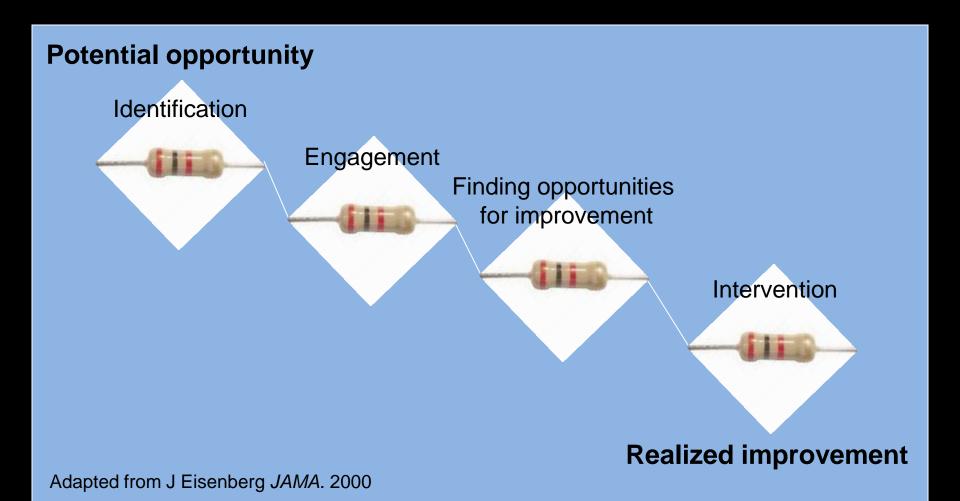
- Medicare Coordinated Care Demo Peikes NEJM 2009, HA 2012
 - 3/15 sites eventually showed net savings in high risk subsets
- Health Quality Partners Coburn, 4th report to congress 2011
 - In high risk subgroups (diagnosis-based)
 - 39% decreased admissions (p<0.01)
 - 37% decreased ED use (p=0.05)
 - \$511 PMPM decreased Medicare expenditures (-36%, p=0.01) on \$397 PMPM net expenditures (including program fees) (p=0.05)
 - 30% decrease mortality rate

- MGH Medicare Demonstration Urato RTI Report 2013
 - 20% decreased admissions
 - 25% decreased ED visit rates by 25%
 - 4% decreased annual mortality
 - 7.1% annual net savings for enrolled patients
 - 15.1% annual net savings at MGH
 - 4% annual savings for total population
 - \$2.65 ROI (per \$1 spent)
- *All p-values <0.05

- System of Integrated Care for Older Persons Beland
 - Decreased (-C\$4270, p<0.05) institutional costs
 - 50% reduction in alternative level of care days
 - No difference in total overall cost or acute care utilization
 - Increased community care costs (+\$C3394)

- GRACE Counsell JAMA 2007, JAGS 2009
 - Decreased (-\$1487, p<0.001) 3-year total medical expenditure in highest risk subgroups
 - Increased specialty, rehab, mental health expenditures
- King County Care Partners Bell Report 2012
 - No change in total Medicaid costs
 - Decreased admissions & inpatient PMPM costs in patients with addiction
 - Increased prescription costs, in-home support service costs, use of chemical dependency treatment services

Challenges for CCM Programs: Drops in Potential



Real-world healthcare delivery models for complex patients





Caring for High-Need, High-Cost Patients: What Makes for a Successful Care Management Program?



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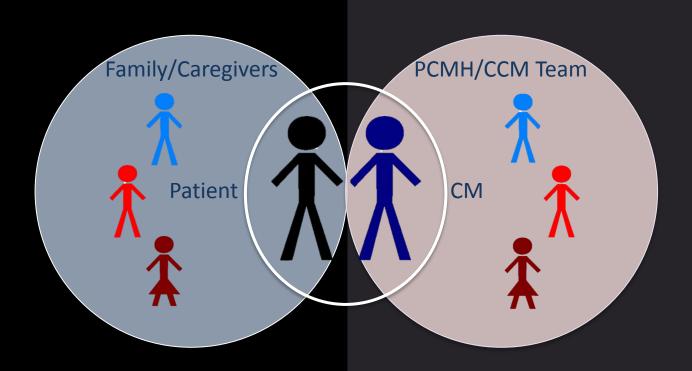
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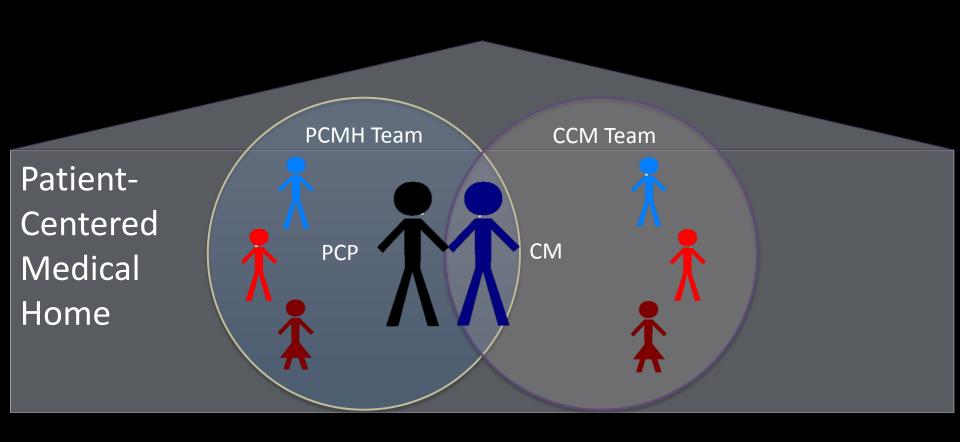
Finding a Match: How Successful Complex Care Programs Identify Patients

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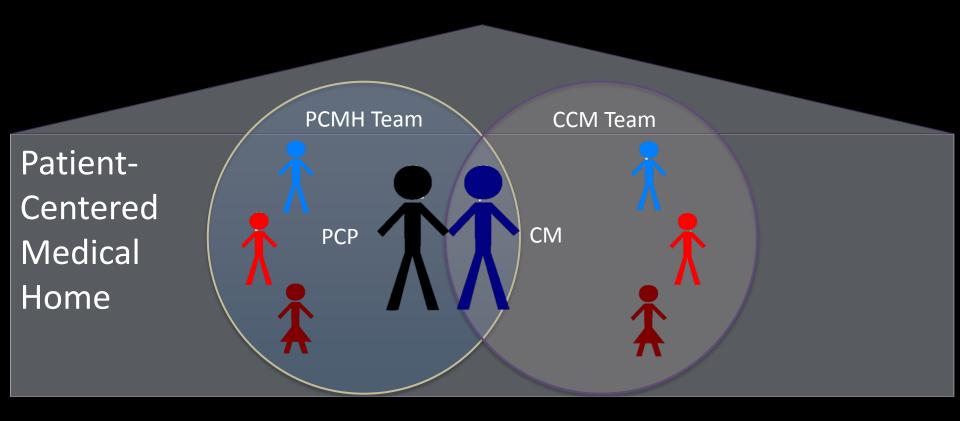
Trusting relationship between a patient & a proactive care team the foundation to care management





A strong relationship between care management & primary care teams critical for care management

As is a strong relationship between the care team & other health system and community partners



Health Delivery System



Social Services



Faith-based Organizations



Housing / Homeless Services



Vocational / Employment Services



Mental Health Services



Family & Social Support Systems



Health Services



Regional Centers



Other community organizations and ancillary supports





Public Health & Substance Use Treatment Services



Domestic Violence Services

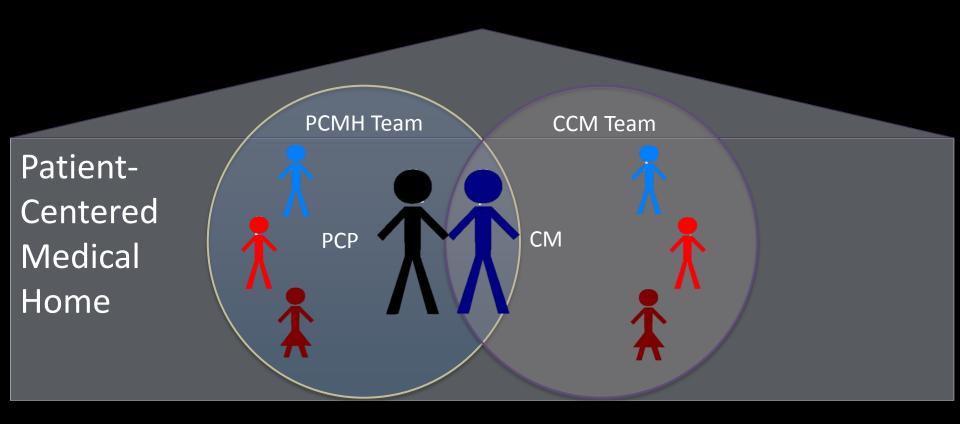


Mentoring/Tutoring Services

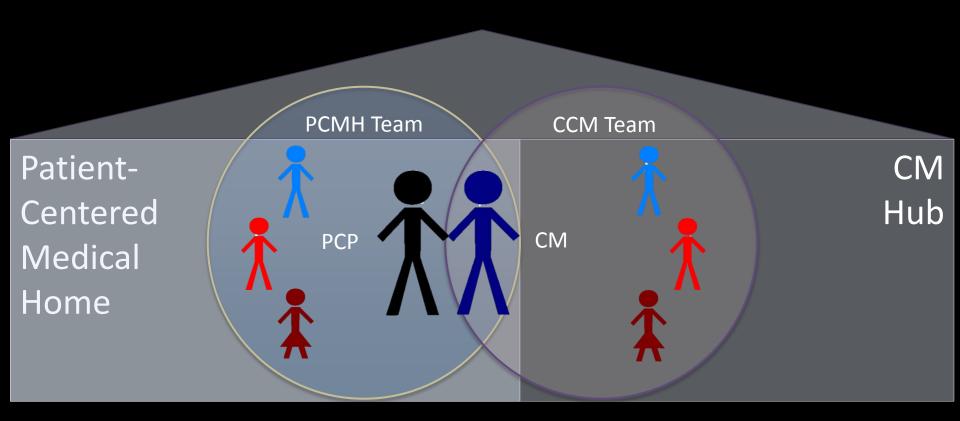


Law Enforcement

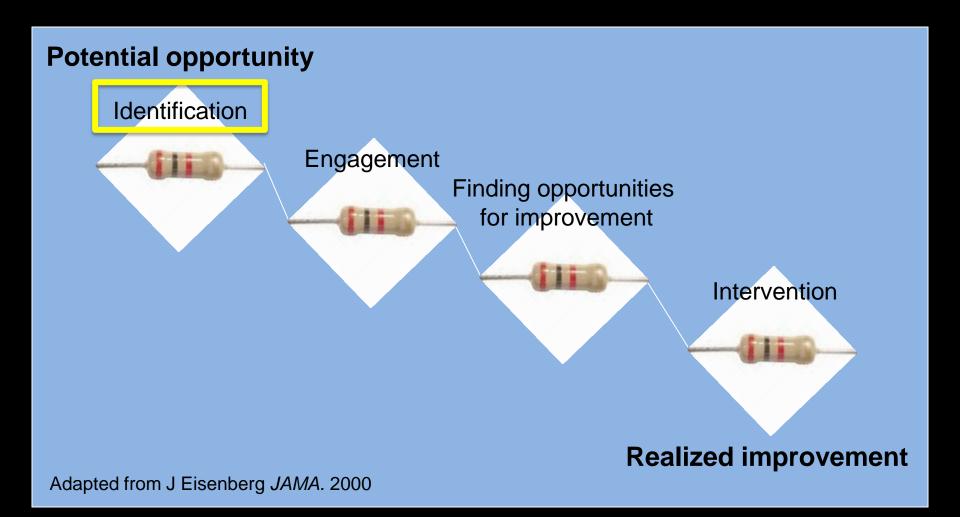
Care Management Structure



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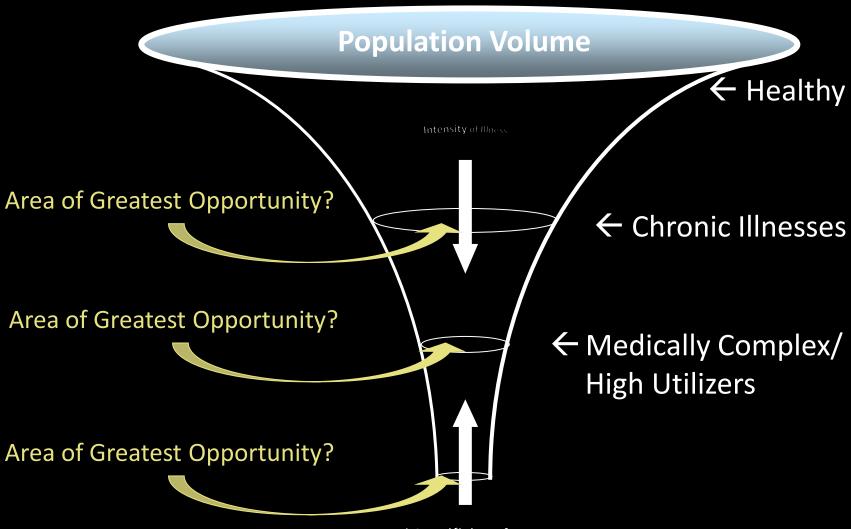
Goal of Patient Selection

- To align population, intervention, & outcomes
- Select a population at risk for future poor outcomes & costs for which planned CCM interventions can improve outcomes

- Key Challenges
 - Dynamic nature of risk
 - Lack of full picture
 - Care sensitivity is patient & program dependent



Effective Targeting of Care Management



Intensity and Specificity of Intervention

Patient Selection Approaches

1. Quantitative

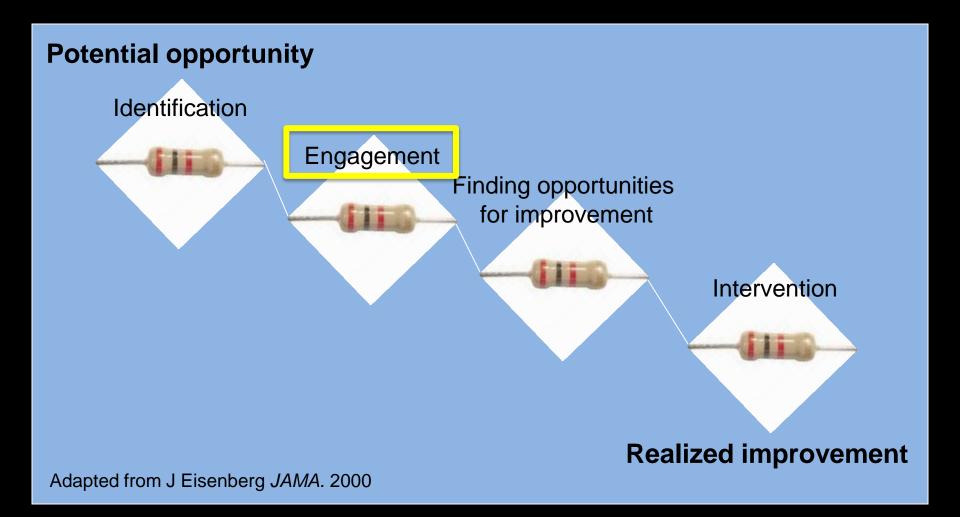
- Applying risk prediction software to claims data
- Acute care utilization focused
- High risk condition focused

2. Qualitative

Referral – Physician/Staff or Patient

3. Hybrid approaches

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Impact of Changes to Washington University Demo

EXHIBIT 3

Impact Of The Washington University Care Management Demonstration On Medicare Spending, Before And After Program Redesign

Drogram impact

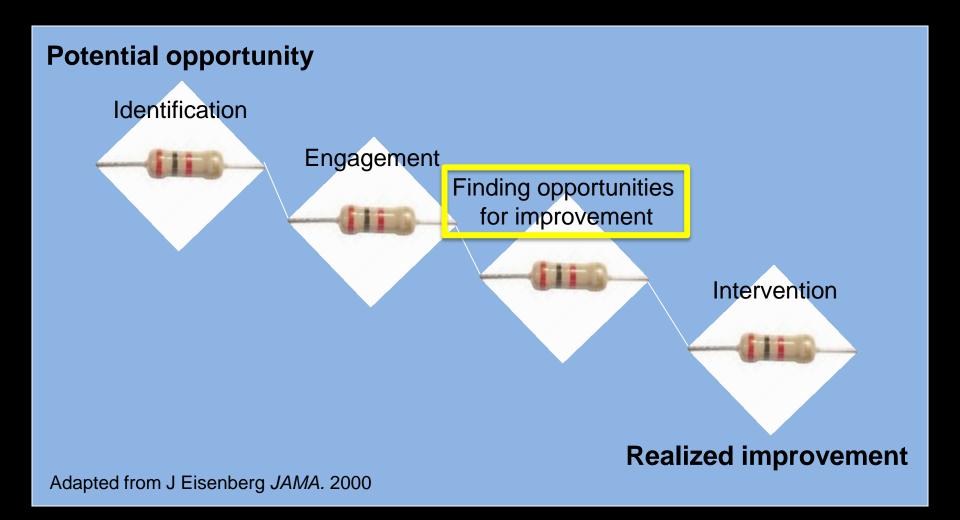
Drogram impact

			without fees		with fees	
	Average monthly care management fee paid ^a (\$)	Expendituresb without care management fees (\$)	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Percent
All enrollees before redesign	167	1,917	69	3.6	236	12.3**
All enrollees after redesign	151	2,256	-217	-9.6*	-66	-2.9
Higher-risk enrollees ^c before redesign	165	2,443	36	1.5	201	8.2
Higher-risk enrollees ^c after redesign	149	2,933	-435	-14.8**	-286	-9.7*

Changes that led to ROI

- Telephonic -> Face-to-face St. Louis based Care Managers
- Stronger Transitional Care & Medication management support
- Added Social Worker
- More comprehensive assessment & streamlined care plan process

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Scope of Work & Key Tasks

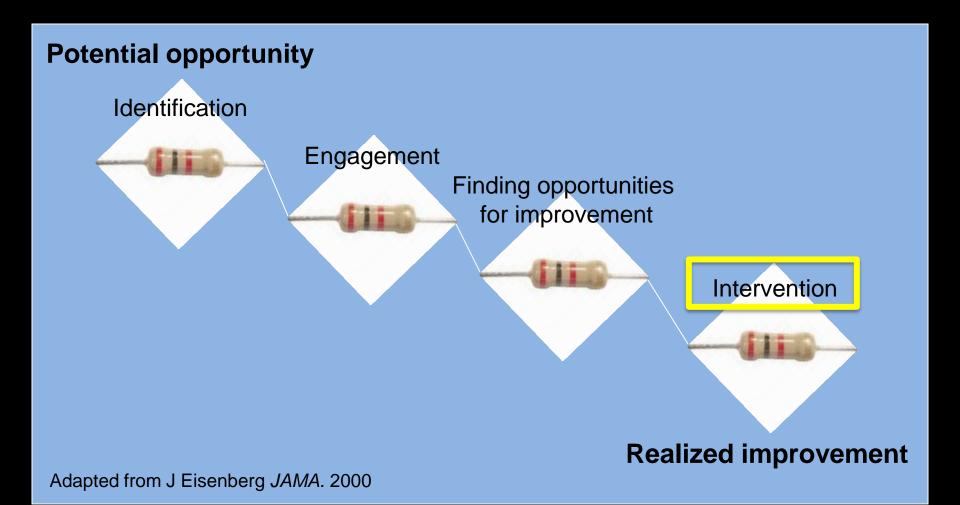
Central Task

- To build strong relationships with patients, primary care teams, hospitals/specialists & other community care partners
- Comprehensive assessment & creation of care plans
 - Address barriers to access/care & biopsychosocial needs
- Care coordination focus on high-risk times
- Health coaching/self-management support
 - Medication management
- Advanced illness management support

Engaging Other Critical Partners

- Inpatient facilities/EDs/Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)
 - Coordinated transitions from hospital/ED/SNF to home
 - Breaking down communication & information silos
- Ties to Specialists
 - Seeking high value relationships
- Ties to community-based agencies
 - Close partnership with entities that can help between encounters

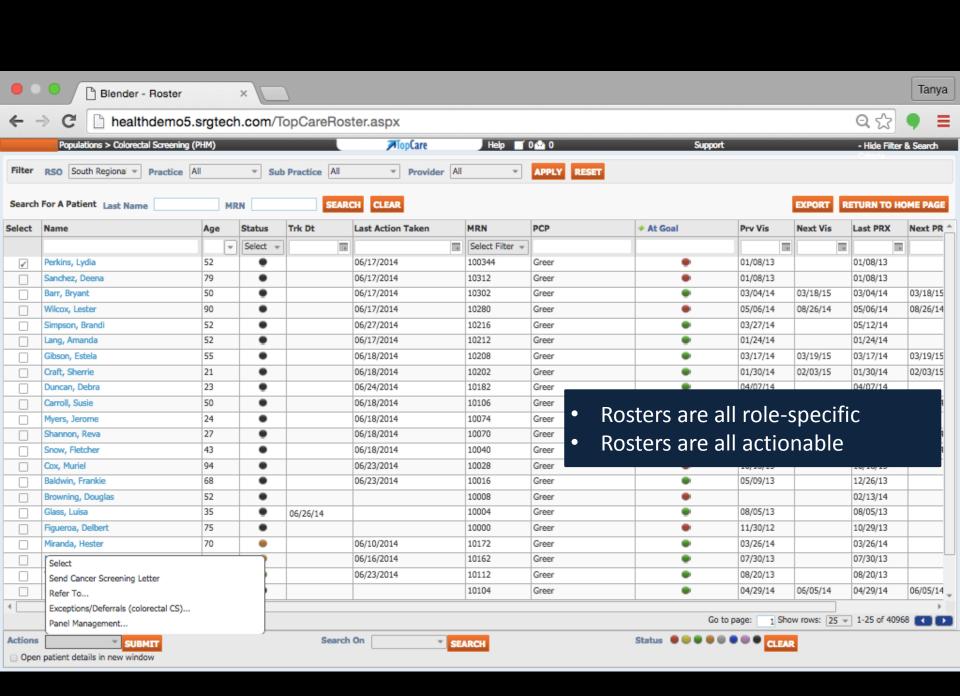
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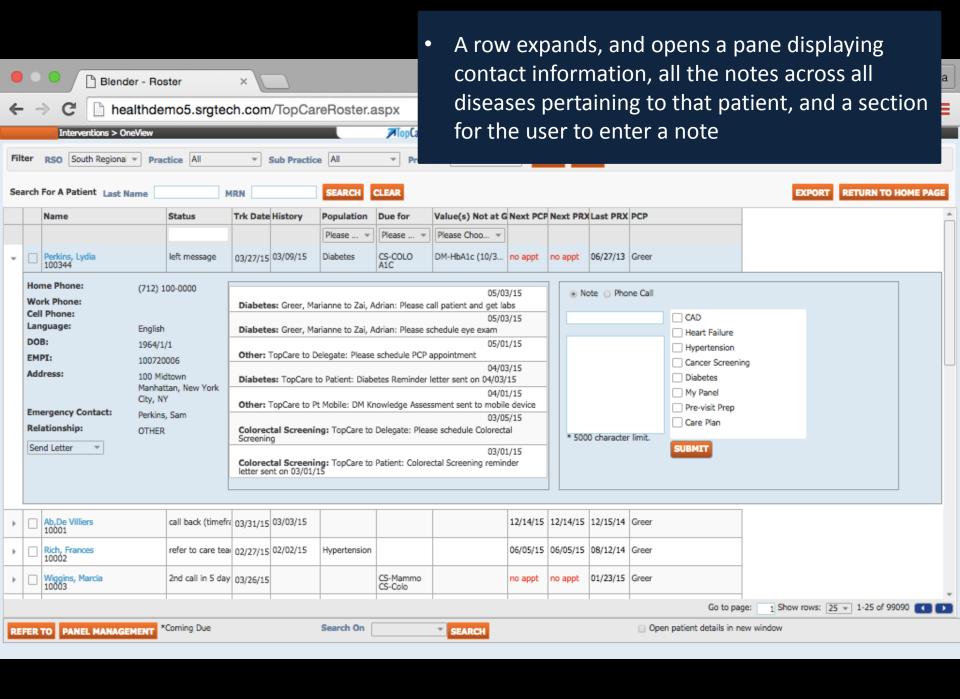


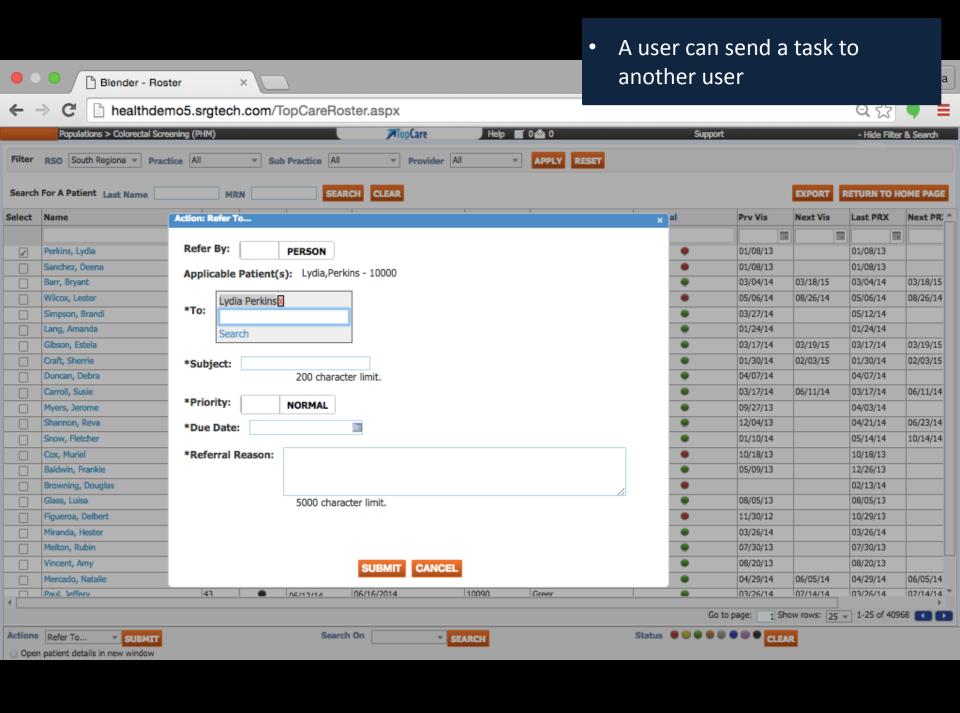
Continuous data-driven improvement & highfunctioning Care Management IT tools important

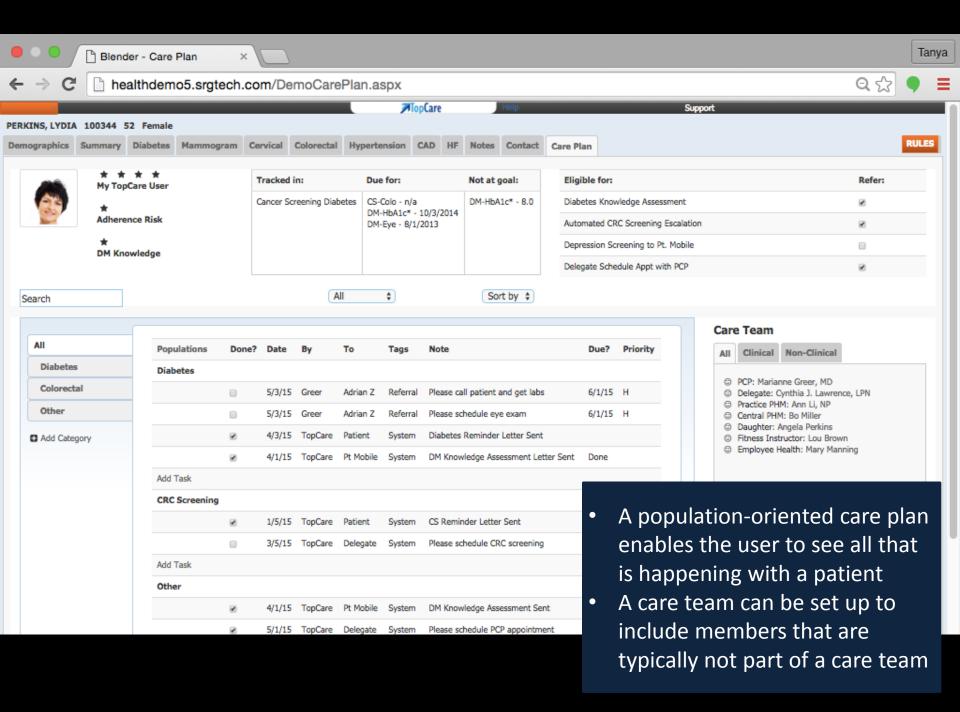
Design + Implementation = Effectiveness

- Care Management IT tools
 - Support operations, program management & quality improvement
 - Front end user interface enables team-based care delivery
 - Embedded, advanced analytics









Important concepts for program planning

Build strong relationships

- No perfect model
 - Start with the best approach for the context/population
 - Then use continuous quality improvement to improve

Important concepts for program planning

- Keys to efficient complex care management
 - Work in multi-disciplinary teams
 - Complement existing services
 - Allocate resources to high-yield activities & high-risk patients at high-risk times
 - Focus on mutable issues (know your system's assets)
 - Use HIT/data integration to enhance CM efficiency

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What's needed for widespread adoption?

Address Financial Barriers

- Incentives to reduce unnecessary utilization & accelerate interoperable HIT development
 - Global Payment
 - Care management fees (at risk)
- Up-front investment in CCM infrastructure & programs

What's Needed for widespread adoption?

Address Organizational/Technical Barriers

- Stronger primary care
- Accelerate adoption of interoperable HIT
- Multi-payer & multi-sector alignment to promote provider integration
- Regional CM structures to help smaller/rural practices
- Technical Assistance to address implementation challenges
- Workforce development (professional & paraprofessional)

Thank you! Questions?

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Patient engagement

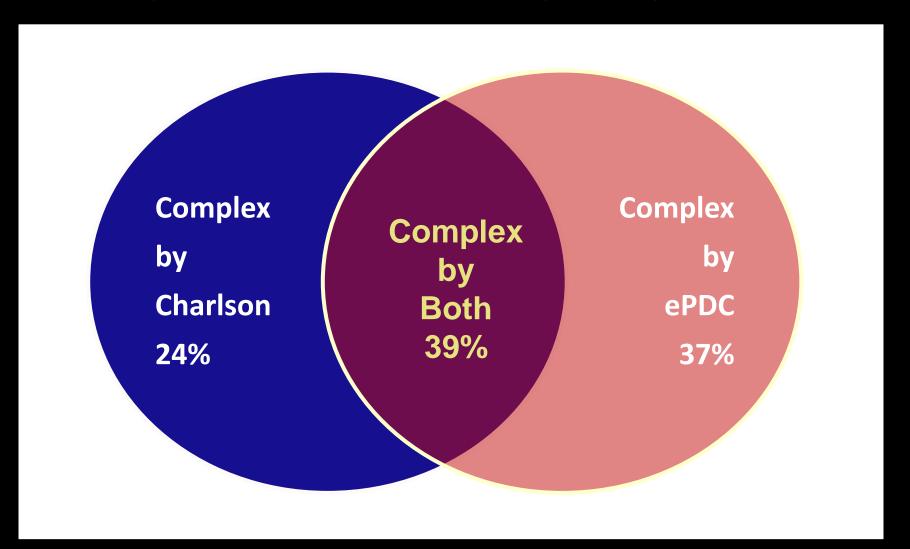
- Connection to primary care
- Face-to-face interaction
- Longitudinal relationships
- Traits of team matters
- Motivational interviewing
 - Sell it to patients
 - Ensure early successes

Making the right pitch to patients is important

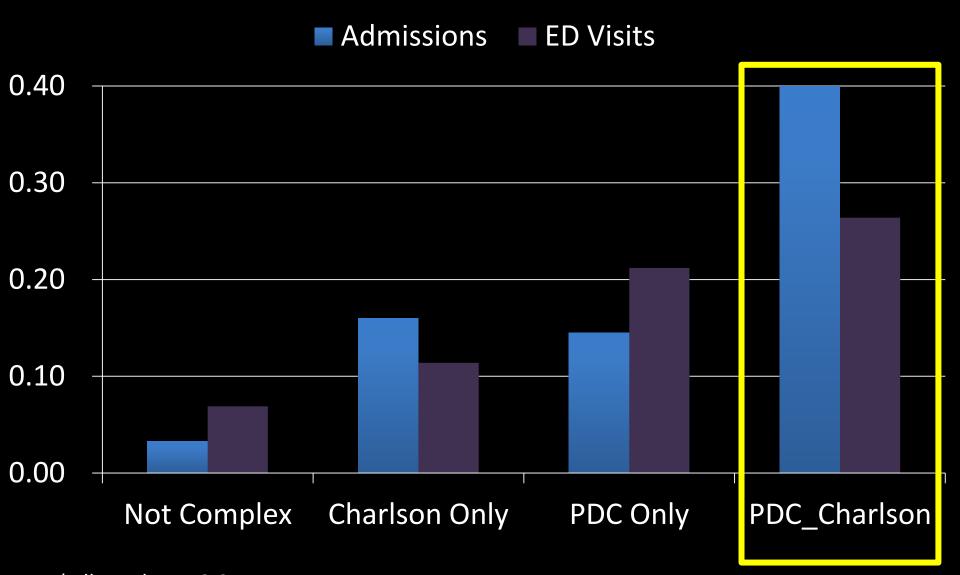
Tailored approach at Camden

- 1. Reach out to patients during hospitalization or ED visit
- 2. Personalized introduction
- 3. Open-ended questions to identify patients' needs
- 4. Use understanding of needs to tailor presentation of services
- Mobile workforce & technology

Complexity defined by Charlson & estimated Physician-defined Complexity (ePDC)



Acute Care Utilization (per person year) Over 4 Years

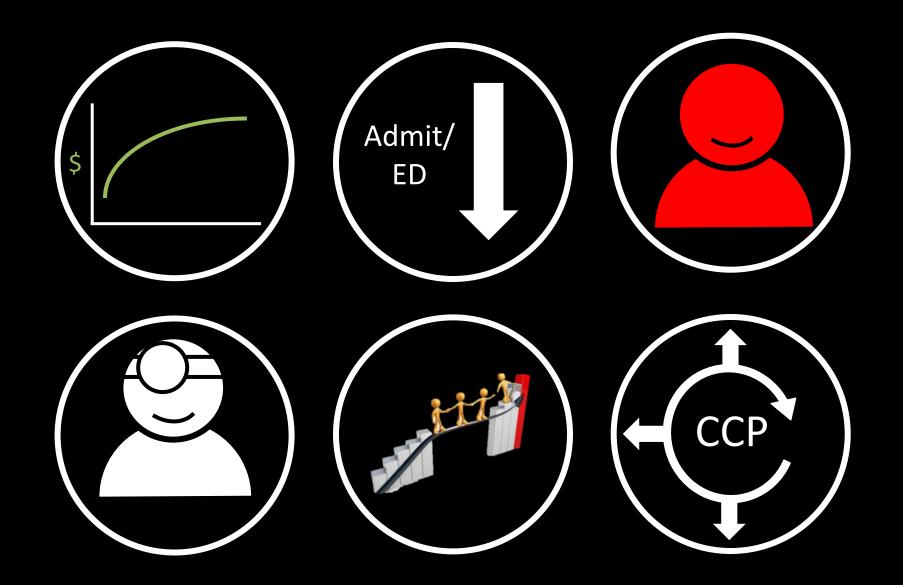


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Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Care Connections Program



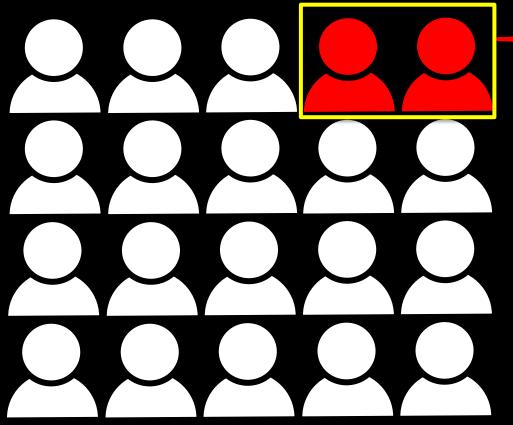
Care Connections Program (CCP) Aims





Serving ≈5% of LAC DHS's Patients

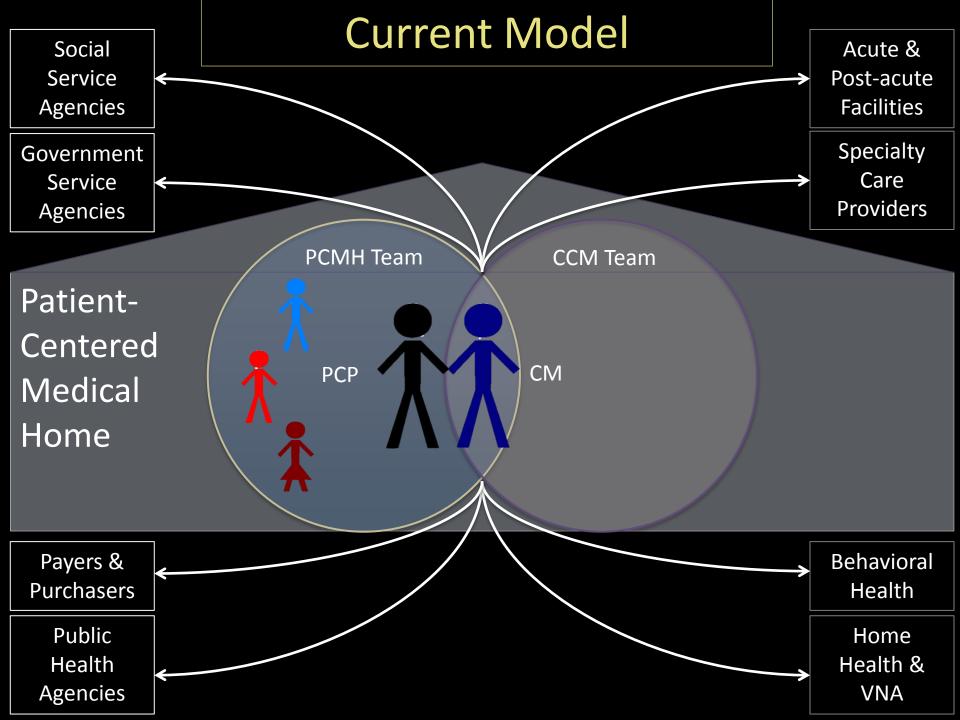
Panel within a Panel

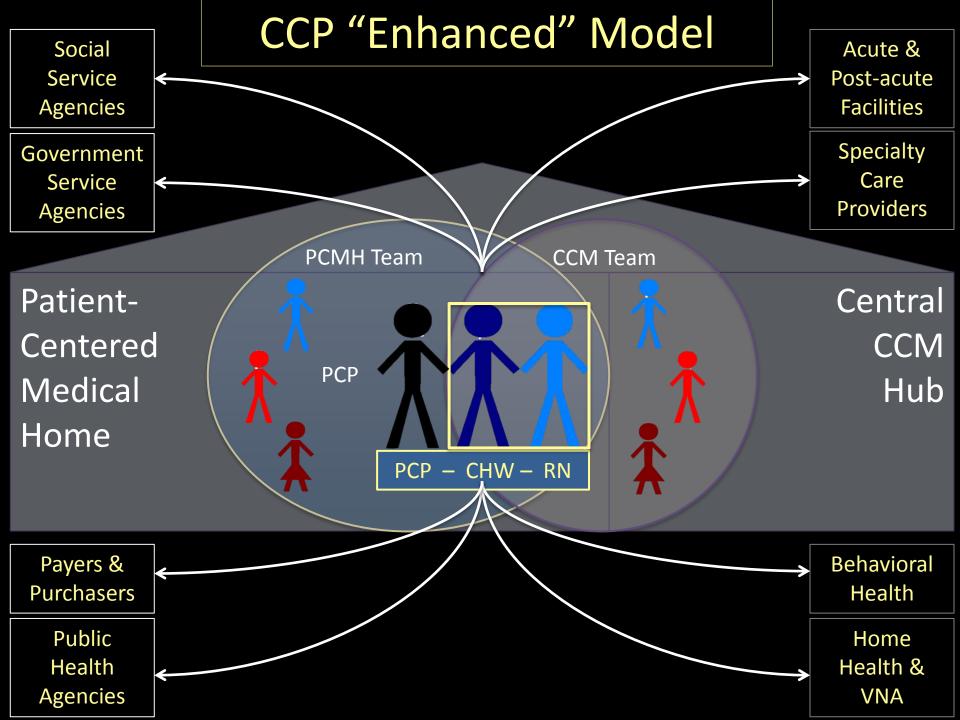


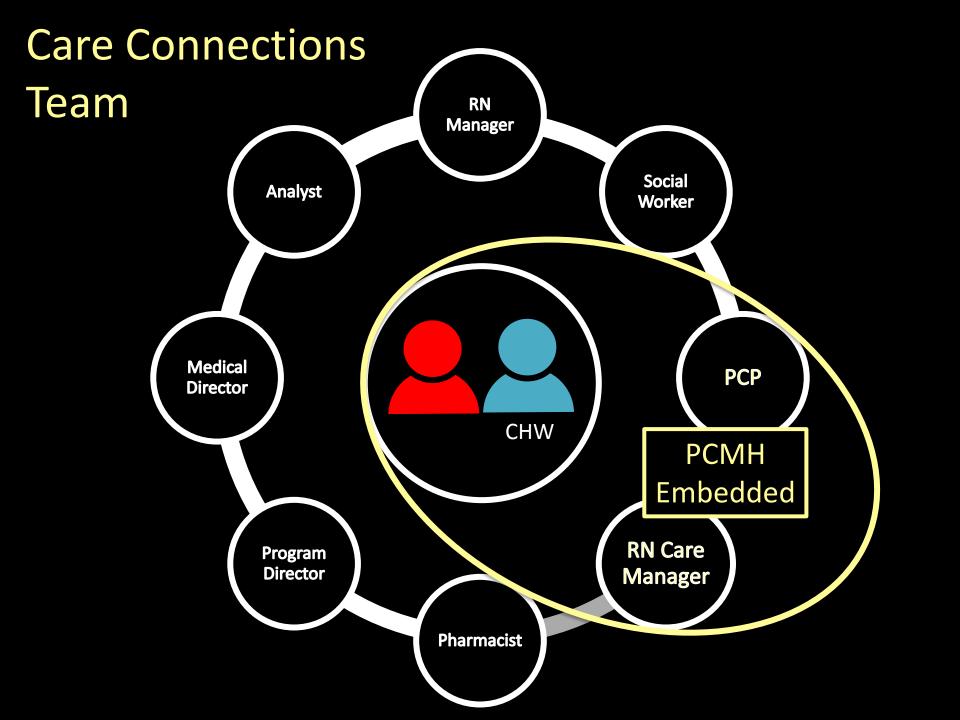
- Complex biopsychosocial needs
- Hard to engage
- High utilization of health care
- High cost of care

≈20,000 out of

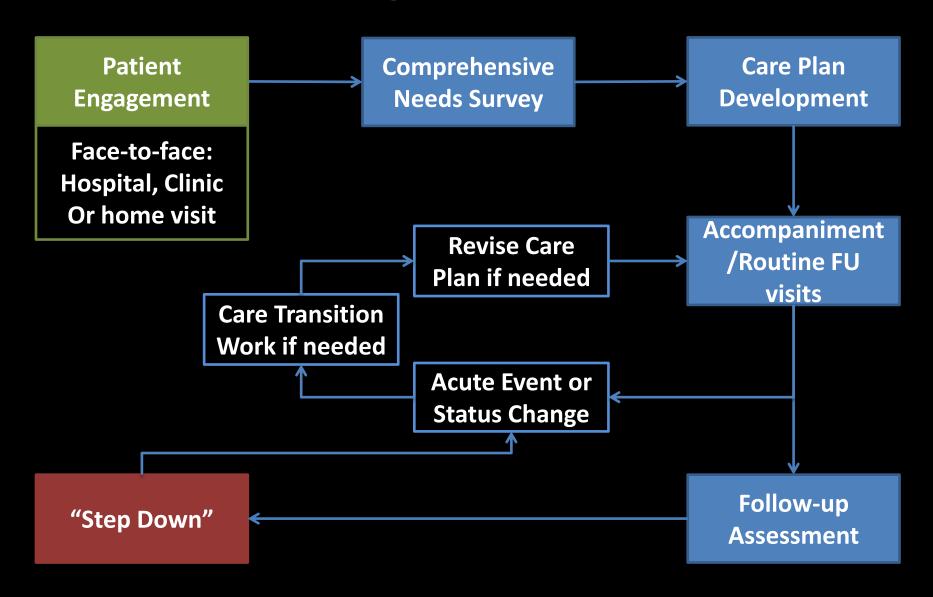
400,000 primary care patients







CCP Program Overview



Patient Engagement

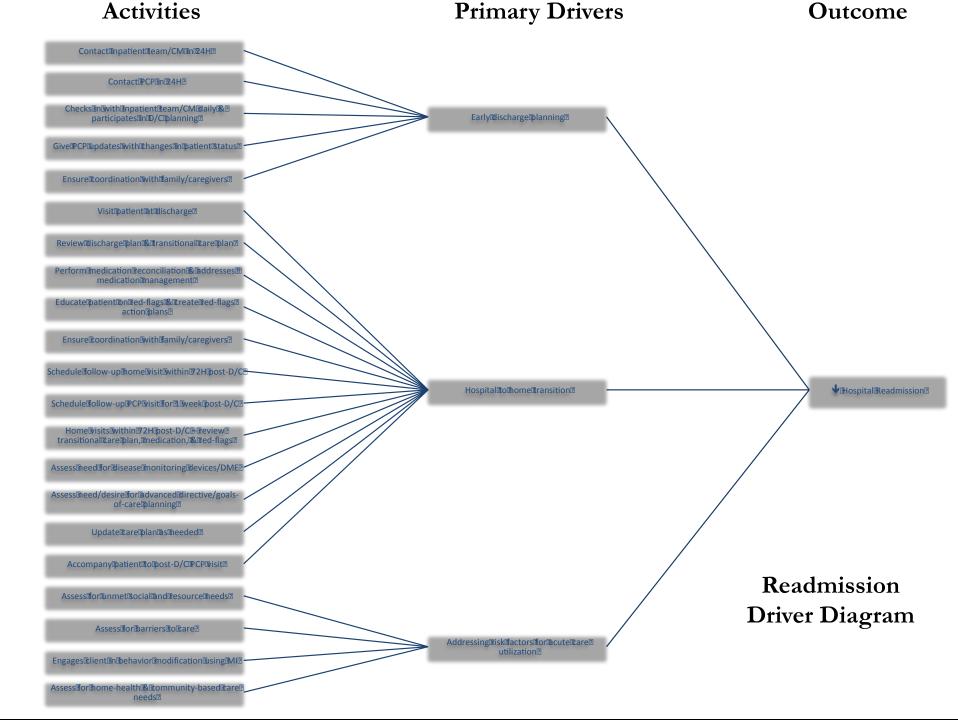
Social Support

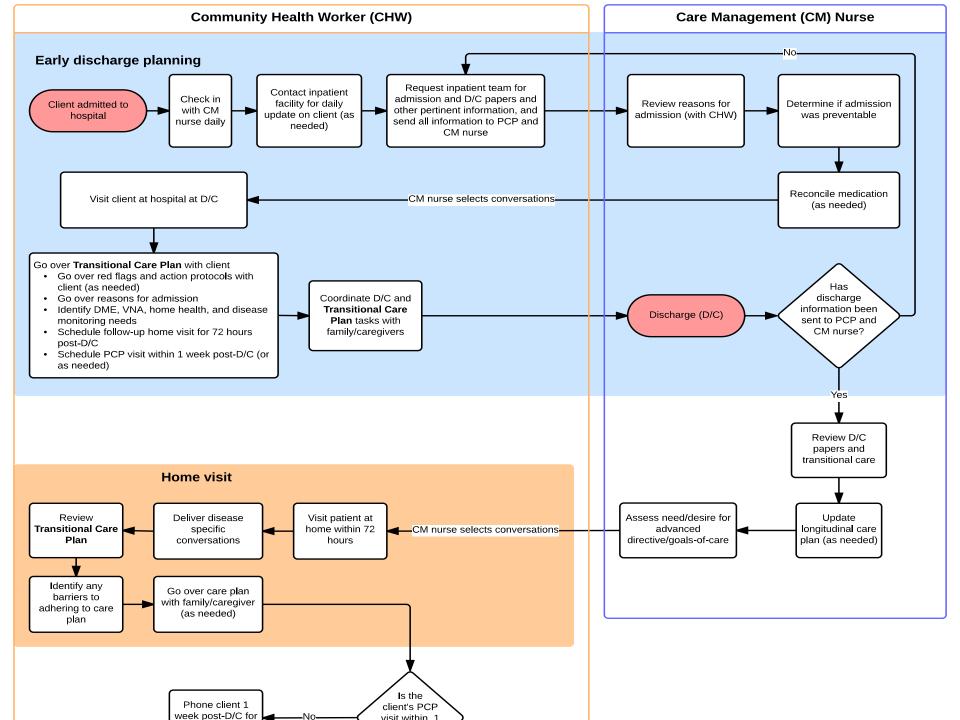
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Health System Navigation

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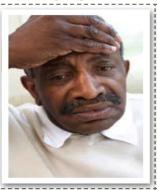
Chronic Disease
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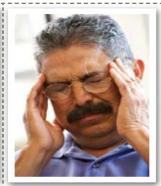
What to Do About Low Blood Sugar (Hypoglycemia)

Blood Sugar Reading 70 or below

Warning Signs









Dizziness

Sweating

Headache

Fainting

What to Do

1. Eat sugar.

Examples:

- * Sugar tablets
- * ½ cup fruit juice or regular soda
- * 5-6 pieces hard candy
- * 1 cookie
- * 1 tablespoon of sugar or honey



2. Wait 15 minutes, then check your blood sugar again.

If it is still below 70, eat or drink something sugary again.

3. Wait 15 minutes, then check your blood sugar again.

If it is still below 70, drink more juice and go to the doctor or emergency room.

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A Multi-faceted Program

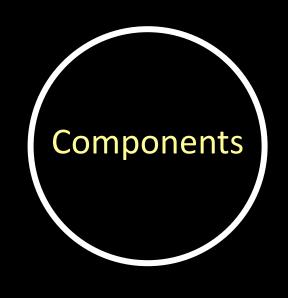
Community Health Workers

Care Without Walls

Pharmacy Intervention

Community Engagement

Social Needs Navigation



Advanced Illness Management

Data-driven Improvement

Care Transition & Acute Care Planning

Chronic Disease Management

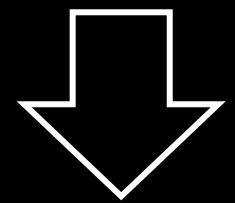
Phase 1: Demonstration

March/April 2015 – March 2017 5 DHS primary care practices in South and East LA

Hire 25 CHWs

CHW training by WERC & Anansi Health

1,250 patients



Phase 2: Expansion

Up to 15X expansion possible

Apply lessons from Phase 1

Replicate model across LAC DHS

Challenges

- Poor baseline health system infrastructure
 - Data Integration & real-time data access
- Implementation
 - Front-line provider engagement & patient selection
 - Poor understanding of intervention & CHW role
 - Perception of program as "External"
 - Consistent delivery of intervention
- Culture "Clash"
 - Innovation vs "production engine"

Primary care integration

Co-location

Face-to-face

interactions

Enhancing integration

Champions

Education on

CM role/benefits

Data/

EMR Access

Early successes/Trust building

CHW Training/Supervision

Training Topics

- Motivational Interviewing/Harm Reduction/Trauma-Informed Care
- Chronic disease self-management support health coaching
- Goal Setting/Care Planning
- Program protocols emergency, medication review
- Disease specific topics
- Other core competencies boundary setting, safety
- CHW Supervision
 - Programmatic CQI meetings, performance evaluation
 - Clinical Weekly one-on-one, Monthly group, case conferences
- Clinical Support Primary care team