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### Creating a Team Based Culture and Shared Purpose

- Working with the change concepts of team based care.
- How do we move to a team culture?
- What role does leadership have in this transition?
- Performance improvement culture change and patient centered principles form the core of this important organizational shift.





## Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative





# Goals for the Session

- Talk about the transition to team based care using Primary Care as the example
- Define how to move towards a performance improvement infrastructure
- Integrate tools for how to include patients as part of the team



## Medical Home Transformation of Primary Care

- Integrates population health with traditional care to give high quality care
- Patient centered access to care
- Reduces waste by coordinating care
- Establishes robust teams all of whose members have independent relationships with patients
  - This site based manner of delivering care moves patients and the medical culture towards accepting extended teams



# Team Based

In a patient-centered medical home, it is about the **patient**—and all the people a patient needs to support their care.

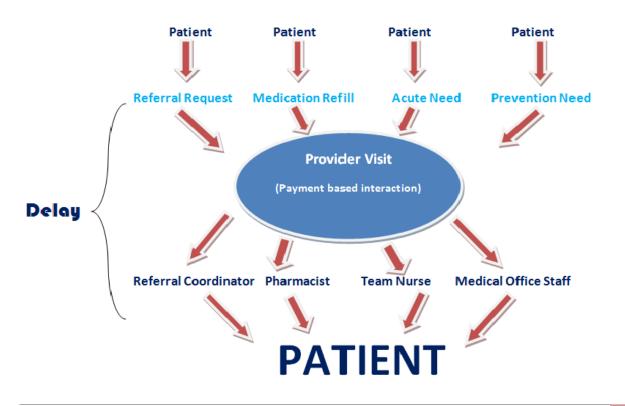
Team based care means that everyone – from folks who register a patient to nurses – focus on the patient, not the doctor visit.

The patient-centered medical home is about the **entire team** contributing to the care of a patient by developing independent relationships with patients.



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#### Workflows in Fee for Service



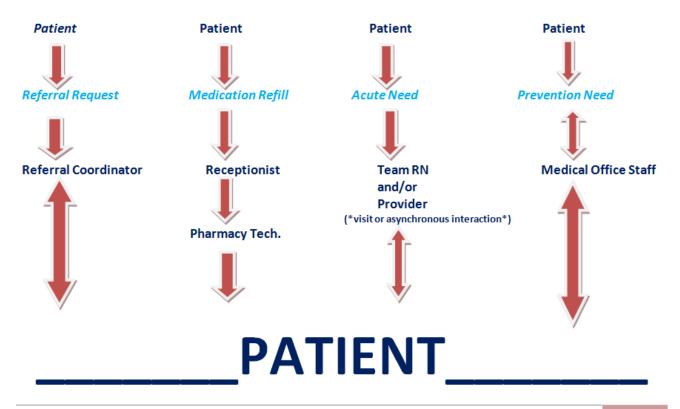
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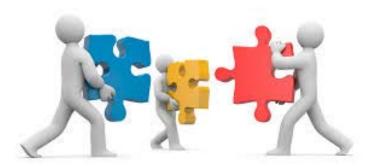
#### How Payment Methods in Healthcare Affect Care Delivery

#### Workflow with Value Based Payments



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# Designing Teams to Fit the Work

First: Who are you?



# **Cambridge Health Alliance**

- An academic public health safety net system outside of Boston
- Largely public payer mix 82%, almost all Medicaid
- >50% patients speak language other than English
- 180,000 primary care visits for 102,000 patients



Welcome to a vibrant, caring community.

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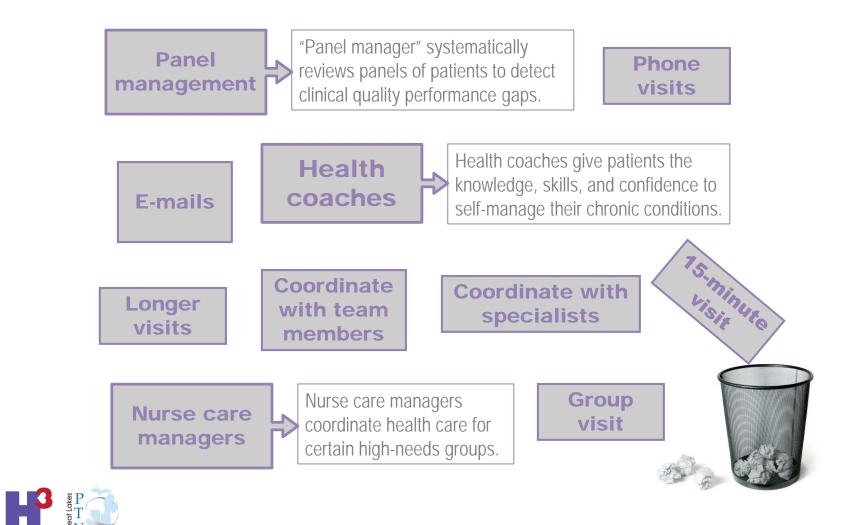
# Change Concepts for Practice Transformation





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### How We Take Care of Our Panel NOW



# **Traditional Template**

Time	Primary care physician	Medical assistant 1	RN	Nurse Practitioner	Medical Assistant 2
8:00	Patient A	Assist with Patient A	Triage	Patient H	Assist with Patient H
8:10	Patient B	Assist with Patient B		Patient I	Assist with Patient I
8:30	Patient C	Assist with Patient C		Patient J	Assist with Patient J
9:00	Patient D	Assist with Patient D		Patient K	Assist with Patient K
9:30	Patient E	Assist with Patient E		Patient L	Assist with Patient L
10:00	Patient F	Assist with Patient F		Patient M	Assist with Patient M
10:30	Patient G	Assist with Patient G		Patient N	Assist with Patient N



# **Evolving Template**

Time	Primary care Physician	Medical assistant 1	Team RN	Physician Assistant	Medical Assistant 2			
8:00	Huddle							
8:10	E-visits and	Panel manage-	RN Care	Acute Patients				
8:30	phone visits	ment	manage- ment					
9:00	Complex patient			E-visits and manage-				
9:30	Complex patient							
10:00	Coordinate with hospitalists and specialists	outreach		phone visits	ment			
10:30	Huddle with RN, NP		Huddle with MD					

•30 patients are seen or contacted in the first 3 hours of the day <sup>16</sup>



# Culture Change

#### Performance Improvement culture change

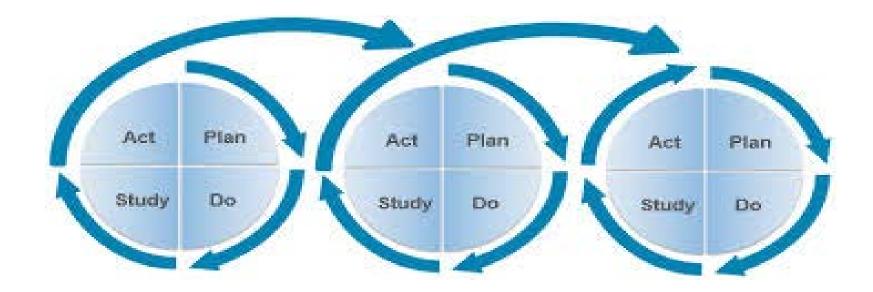
- Non-hierarchical
- Involves everyone as an expert, including the patients!

### Wait...

What is Performance Improvement?



### It's Actually Quite Simple...



Identify a problem

Quantify the problem

#### **Identify stakeholders**

Design a workflow

#### Test the workflow



Analyze the results

Test it again.....







## What do I need to do this?



# A Real Life Example: Health Care Proxy





## **Reaction of the Leadership Team**





# Who Does This Work? TEAMS

Allow for efficient communication to coordinate care (they know the patient and their story, so they can act swiftly).

Distribute the work across many people, allowing for all of the prevention work to get tone at any visit. An essential part of care in a complex system

> An opportunity for patients to choose a team member with whom to form a therapeutic alliance.

Diverse team members (socioeconomically and culturally) allow for multidirectional teaching







# **Designing Teams to Fit the Work**

### Next: What work are you doing?





### The Vast Majority of Cases of Chronic Disease Could Be Better Prevented or Managed

The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that...

- At least 80% of all heart disease, stroke, and type 2 diabetes, and
- More than 40% of cancer

would be prevented if only Americans were to do three things:

- ✓ Stop smoking
- ✓ Start eating healthy
- ✓ Get in shape



http://www.fightchronicdisease.org/



# This Is What We Do Now

Acute Care Preventive Care Chronic Care 4.6 hours/day 7.4 hours/day <u>10.6</u> hours/day

# 22.6 hours/day

This is the amount of time required to take perfect care of ONE patient! In 15 minutes? By a single doctor?



### **Redesigning Care Delivery** *Care is no longer based primarily on visits*

#### Previsit

The time of recognized need or risk by system or time of patient contact to check-in

Care team plans for the encounter

#### Visit

Time of check-in to departure from health center

Patient's encounter with clinician and care team

### **Post-visit**

Departure to completion of visit plans/actions

#### **Between visit**

Completion of visit plans/actions to previsit

Care management



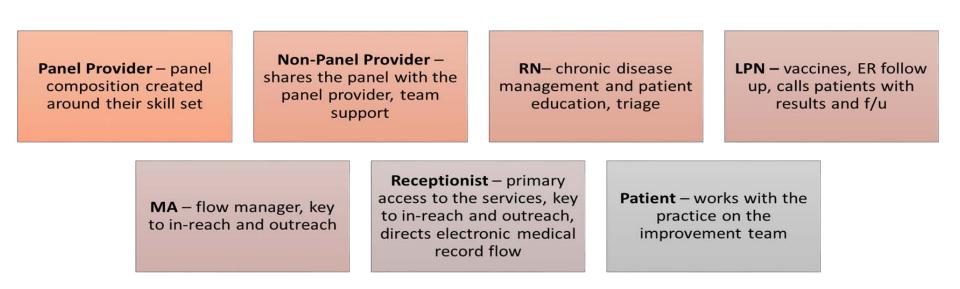
# There Are Many Roads...



- Form follows function: who is around to help with the work?
- Teams need leadership direction and support but can grow organically (especially important when there are economic constraints)
- Functions and roles of teams members change over time based on staffing and need
- Role definition has to be well defined so there is no duplication of work



### The Cambridge Health Alliance Team Model of Care: Role Definition





#### Team Sabia



#### Patrick Sabia, MD Sees people of all ages Pregnancy Care

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#### Susan Gesing, RN **Registered Nurse**

 Health & Medication questions Chronic Disease

Management

#### Mirna Mejia Medical Assistant

 Lab tests Mammograms and

ultrasound appointments



Silvia Hamilton **Medical Receptionist** Appointments

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#### **April Johnson**

- **Medical Receptionist** Appointments
- Letters







**Team Hall** 

questions Chronic Disease



#### Mary Hart, RN **Registered Nurse**

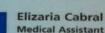
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#### **Medical Assistant**

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- Mammograms and ultrasound appointments

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# **Extended Team**

### Shared team members at the practice level

- Referral Coordinator
- Integrated Behavioral Health Care Partner, Therapist and MD Regional team members
- **Complex Care** Nurse, Social Worker team manage 150 patients
- Pharmacist visits for medication compliance, reconciliation and chronic disease management and education
- Panel Manager (Planned Care Coordinator)

### System wide team members

- Central Complex Care Team (Social Worker and CHW)
- Hospice/Palliative Care Team
- Visiting Nurse/SNF/Aging Agencies
- Community Mental Health



### Care Coordination Is Everyone's Job!

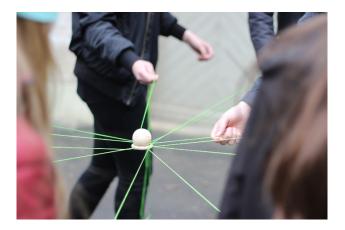
#### Patients have visits with multiple team members in one day

Who facilitates that? Receptionist schedules so it can actually happen! Medical Assistant makes the flow happen

How does it look?

Pharmacy – RN co-visit: pharmacist does 30 min with warm handoff to team RN
RN – provider co-visit: RN does 1 hr. teaching and makes plan with patient before provider visit
Nursing: LPN does immunizations before provider visit

Behavioral Health co-visit with anyone – warm handoff in either direction, same day scheduling commonplace





### Care Coordination is Everyone's Job! Outreach

Patients most at risk with "hand offs" and when travel between parts of the system (consults, ER, Hospitalizations, testing)

Provider calls the Emergency Room when sending a patient there to coordinate care

Emergency Room visit follow up calls by team LPN

Post Hospital Discharge visits with team within 1 week and telephone call from RN within 48 hours

Integrated system of sharing visit notes (ER, consults, admissions)



# Measures of Success: Work Environment

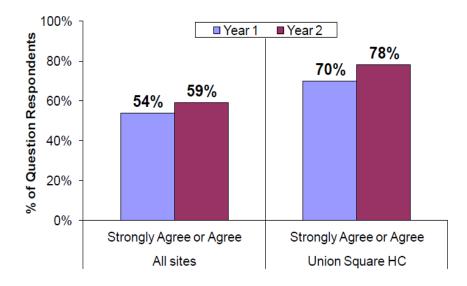
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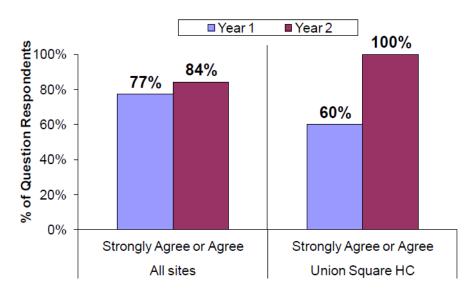


### What You Can Expect to See (and Fast!)

### Q161: Employees in my team report a strong sense of connection to their work



### Q17a: I am treated with respect every day by everyone that works in this practice





# Traps

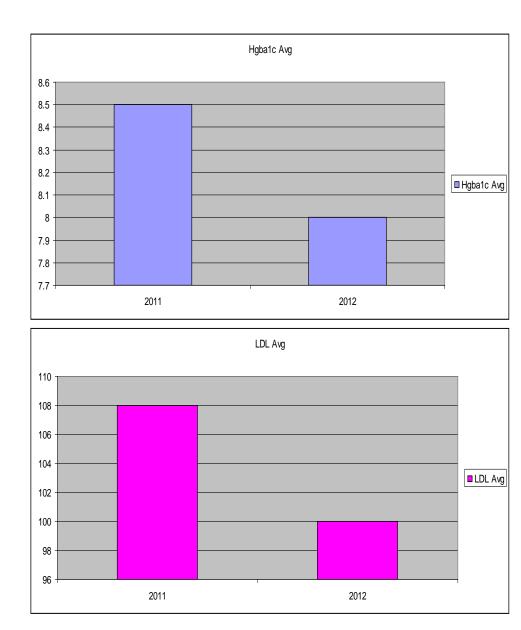
- Important for people to own the work
  - Clear communication, role definition, empowerment
- Important to preserve a sense of teamwork across care teams
  - Vacations, sick days, etc.
- Appropriate prospective staffing and scheduling really matters
- Personality management
  - Help each person to succeed





# **1 Year Results**

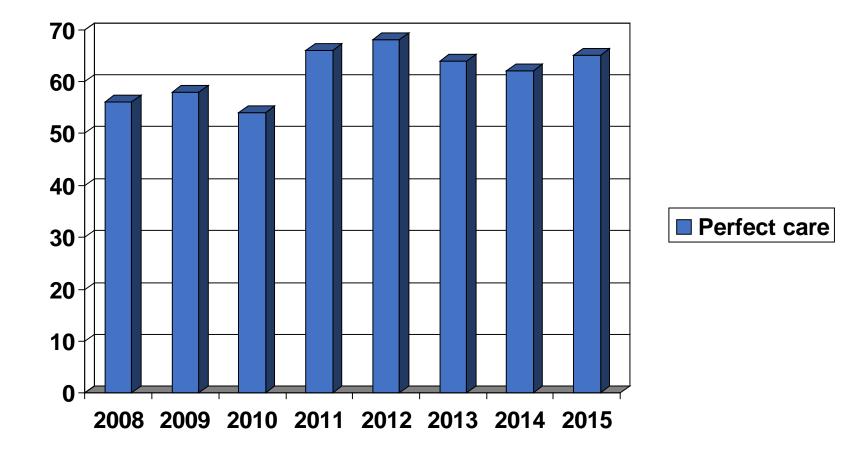
RNs have taken on direct patient education for high-risk patients, especially those with diabetes.





# **Diabetes "Perfect Care"**

Outcomes – the long term





"Teams can work if your whole team loves the patient as much as you do." - Lucy Candib, MD



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