

# Critical Access Hospital and Rural Health Clinic Conference Focusing on the Quadruple Aim Empowering Patient Care Teams for Excellence

September 13, 2017



### Learning Objectives

- Review the widening circle of team members to ensure a clinical and financial continuum
- Understand the concept of empowerment to drive efficiency, staff cohesiveness, enhanced morale and joy in the workplace
- Discuss opportunities to focus performance improvement efforts to address population health and Pay-for-Performance

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## Agenda – 1:00 to 2:30 pm, 2:45 to 4:30 pm

- Introductions
- Overview of the Workshop
- The Evolution to Team-Based Care
- The Roles of the Multidisciplinary Patient Care Team
- The Key Concepts for Leaders
- Linking the Care Team to QI
- The Wrap

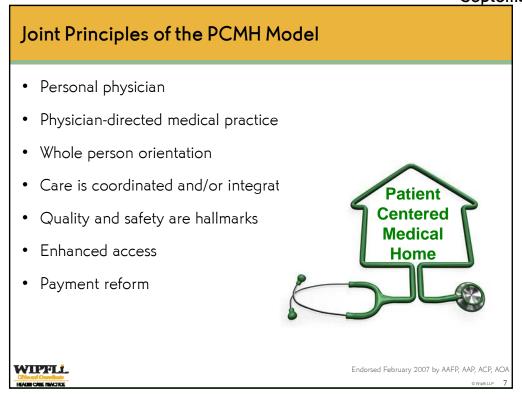
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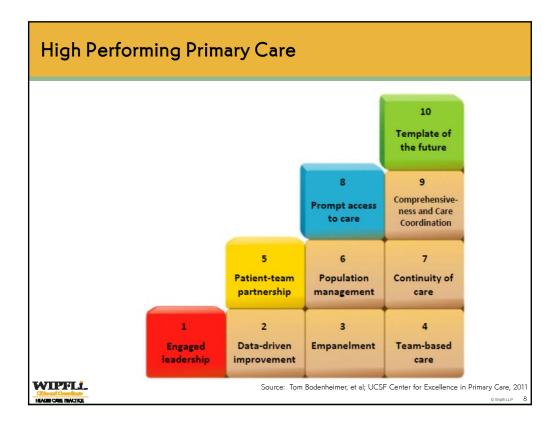




Reinventing the US Health Care Delivery System			
SAFE	Avoiding injury to patients from care		
EFFECTIVE	Providing evidence-based services and avoiding under/overuse when it is not likely to benefit		
PATIENT- CENTERED	Providing care that is respectful of and responsive to individuals' preferences, needs and values, and ensuring patient values guide all clinical decisions		
TIMELY	Reducing waits and harmful delays for both those who give and receive care		
EFFICIENT	Avoiding waste of equipment, supplies, ideas, energy and staff		
EQUITABLE	No variance in quality because of a patient's personal characteristics such as gender, ethnicity, geographic location, or socioeconomic status		
	Source: Crossing the Quality Chasm, Institute of Medicine, 2001		







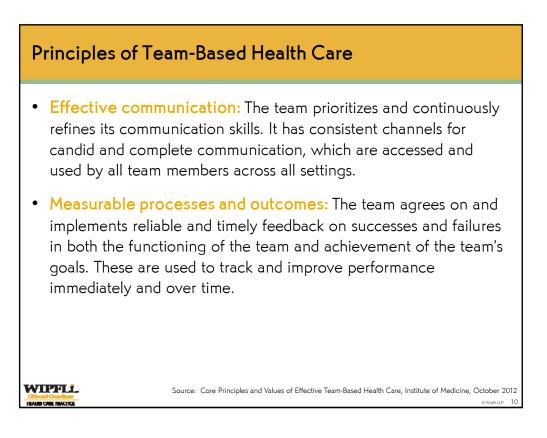


### Principles of Team-Based Health Care

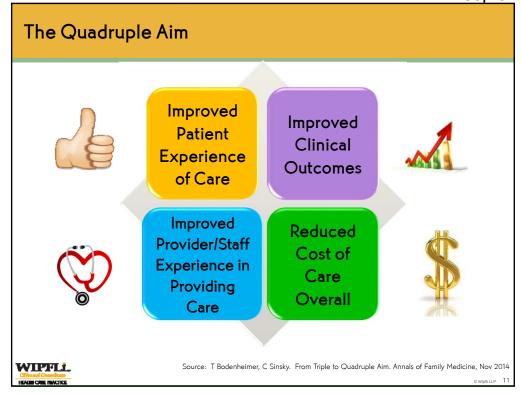
- Shared goals: The team works to establish shared goals that reflect patient and family priorities, and can be clearly articulated, understood, and supported by all team members.
- Clear roles: There are clear expectations for each team member's functions, responsibilities, and accountabilities, which optimize the team's efficiency and often make it possible for the team to take advantage of division of labor, thereby accomplishing more than the sum of its parts.
- Mutual trust: Team members earn each others' trust, creating strong norms of reciprocity and greater opportunities for shared achievement.

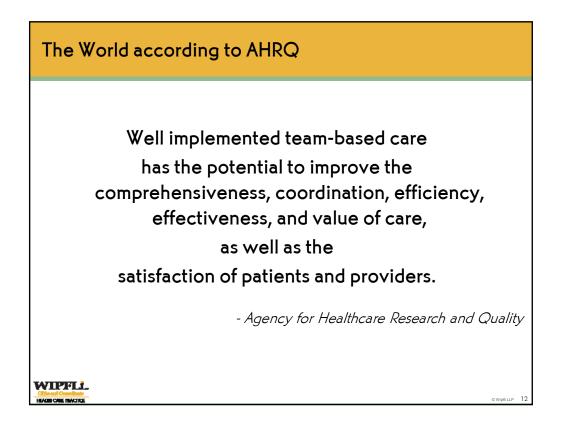
Source: Core Principles and Values of Effective Team-Based Health Care, Institute of Medicine, October 2012

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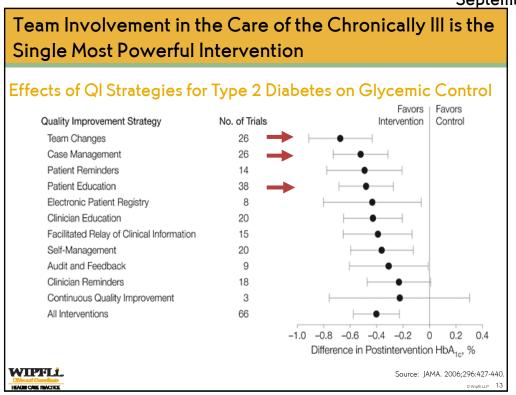


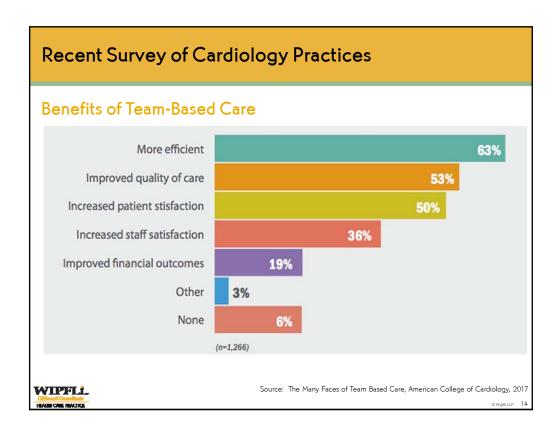
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## Re-engineering our system of care

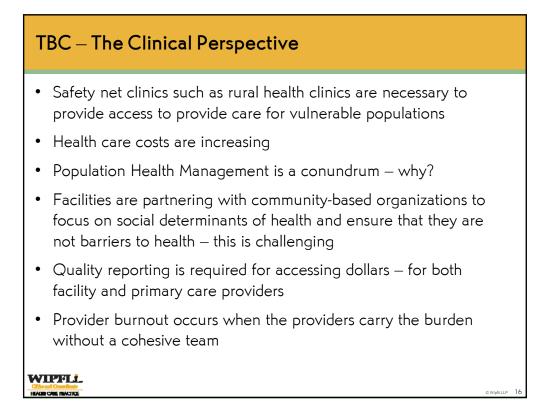
Leadership is challenged to engineer a care delivery environment that is efficient, effective and focused on CQI to enhance its revenue stream and mitigate non-payment.

Primary care practices are beginning to implement and/or expand team-based care, the emphasis on providing patient-centered care is a variable.

This calls for system redesign, but . . .

- How do we break this down?
- Where will we get the greatest return on investment?

## Through a focus on **Team-Based Care**. Why ??





### TBC – The Financial Perspective

- Labor budgets are key the right resource for the right outcome; train, expand team capabilities and increase encounter volumes
- Must increase revenues to survive as a provider in the health care system
- Efficiencies will allow for increased volume
- Expanding the team to include registration personnel and billers will ensure continual feedback to the clinical staff to improve processes when denials occur

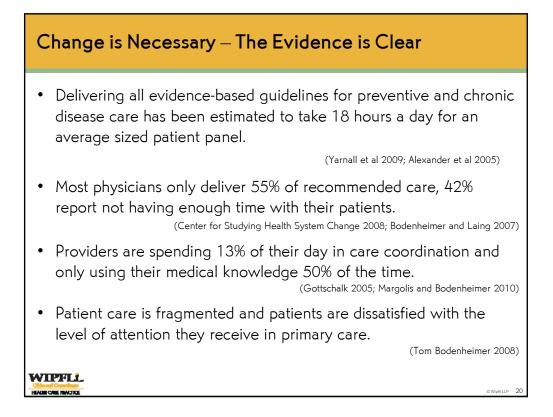
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# **TBC – The Quality Perspective**Role clarification is inherently important – it drives operational efficiency Proper use of the right resource will decrease waste, time, energy and the patient's time Increase satisfaction of all, employees and providers Increasing the number of staff who know and respond to patients will increase patient satisfaction because patients are not waiting for only the provider to respond to their needs A larger provider team can support quality improvement – with effective intra-team communication and problem-solving, practices can engage in data-driven continuous quality improvement In an accountable organization, all staff share the quality improvement effort and contribute to outcomes

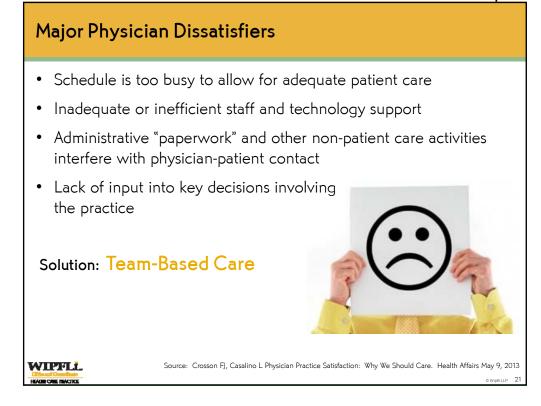


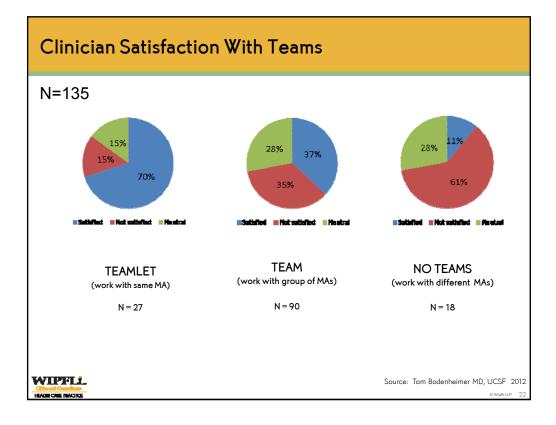
## TBC – The Patient's Perspective

- The patient will deal with the same team of people at every visit CONTINUITY OF CARE !
- The patient knows exactly who will call them regarding their appointment, test results, or other communication
- The patient knows exactly who to contact for clinical advice
- Continuity of Care means:
  - The provider and care team know each patient's health needs and social circumstances
  - Better access to care
  - No fragmentation of services
  - No falling through the cracks
  - No duplicate tests
  - Better medication management



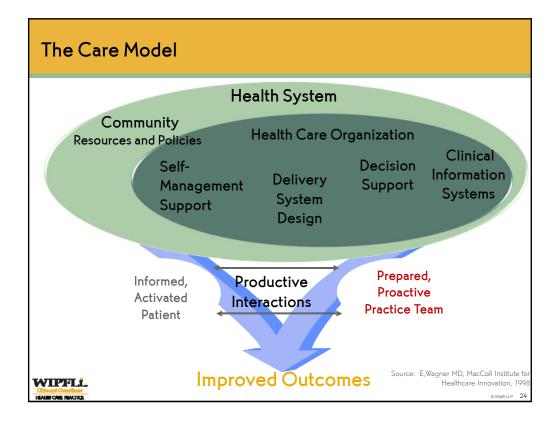




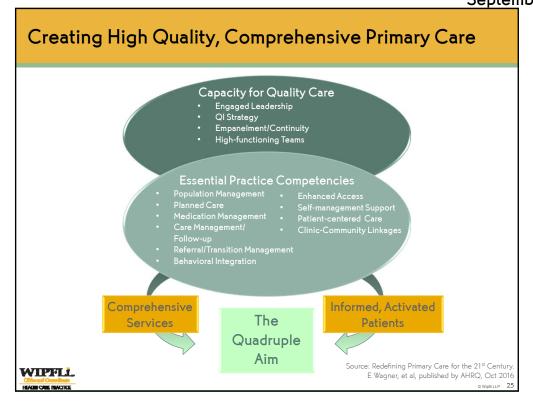








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## What is Team-Based Care?

A model of health care delivery that utilizes individual staff members in various roles, each **functioning at their highest level according to credentials and competencies**.

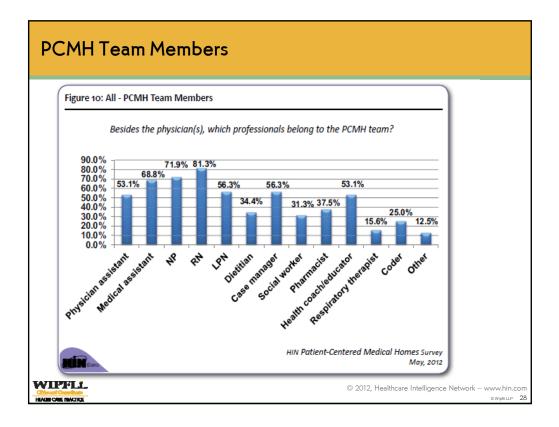
Shared accountability for overall patient health outcomes within a framework of clearly defined roles and responsibilities under the leadership of the primary care provider.



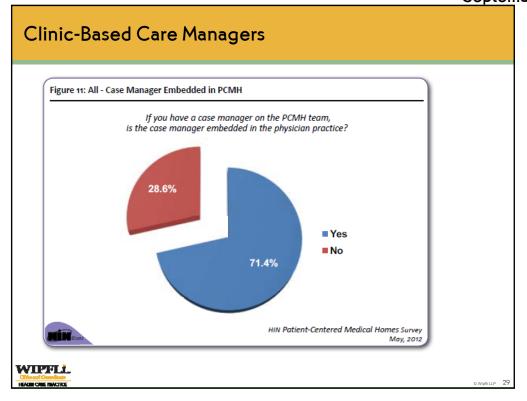


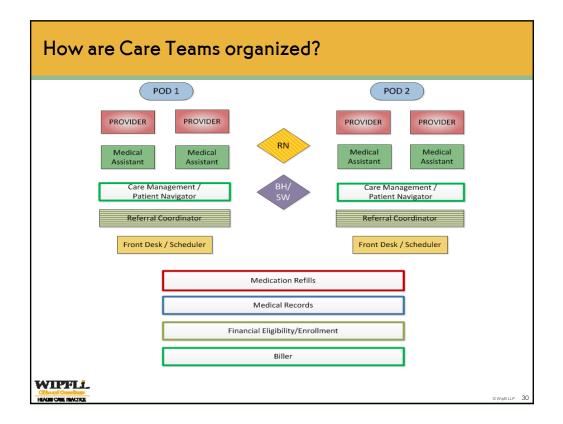
### What does team-based care mean to a health center?

- Expanded access to care (more hours of coverage, shorter wait times, more staff who know the patients)
- Effective and efficient delivery of additional services that are essential to providing high quality care, such as patient education, behavioral health, self-management support, and care coordination
- Formal roles on a continuum: expanded team to include access and biller
- Increased job satisfaction for staff and providers; impact on staff turnover
- Environment in which all medical and nonmedical professionals are encouraged to perform work that is matched to their abilities.

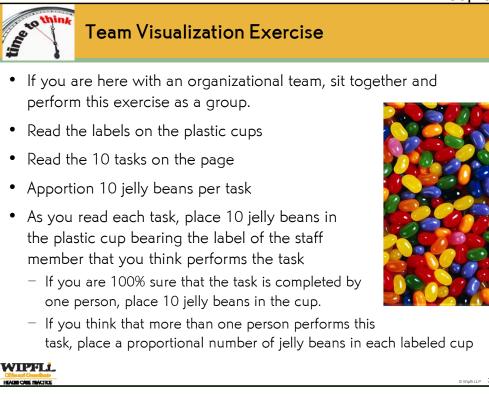


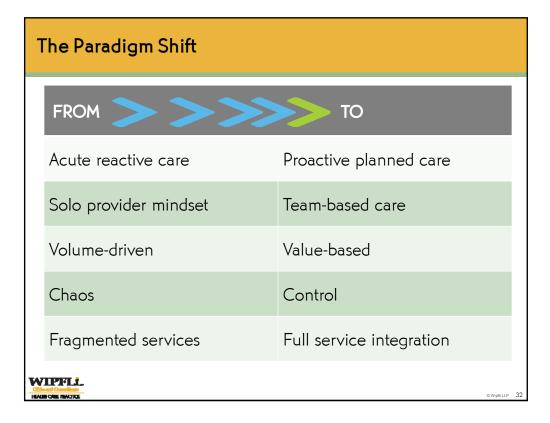
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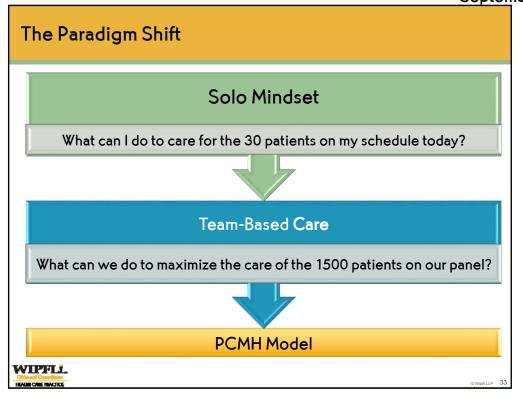


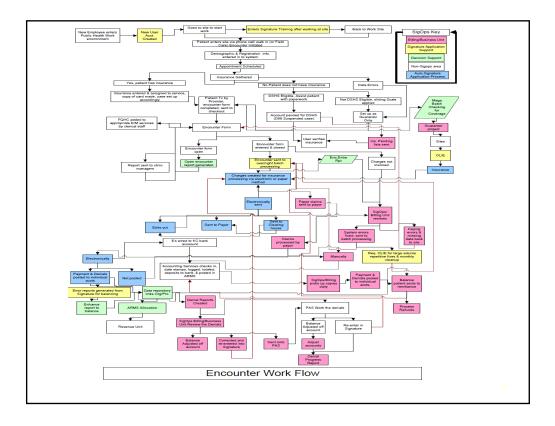




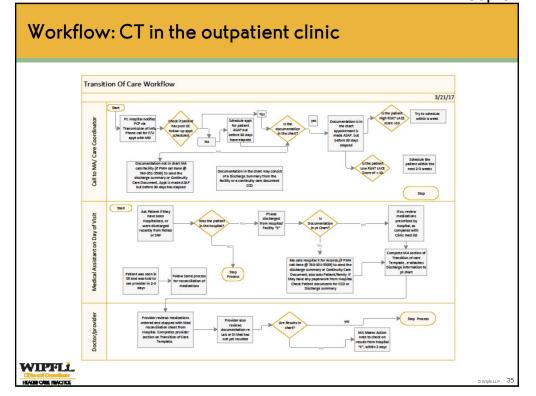












# How do teams help improve care? The *patient* becomes the center of staff attention, rather than the provider Entire staff knows and owns the care of the patient Work is distributed according to level of staff training (e.g. RNs free to do RN level tasks) Engaged teams are problem-solvers, working to improve quality and efficiency of care Care delivery becomes organized, possible and ENJOYABLE!



Traditional Roles are Changing					
PROVIDER	RN		MED ASST		ADMIN
Clinical care	Clinical Care/Triage		Team support		Team support
Standards of care	Chronic Care Mgmt/ Standing Orders/ Patient Educator		Rooming/Vital Signs/ Clinical Documentation		Referral Management
Evaluates staff for Core Competencies; Delegates tasks	Staff Training Core Competencies Supervision		Care Coordination/ Standing Orders		No-Show Follow-up/ Patient outreach
Authorizes Standing Orders	Liaison to Hospitals and Emergency Departments		Health Coach/ Patient Self Management Support		Data entry and retrieval
Quality Improvement		Workflow Analy Improvement	ysis and Population Manageme		
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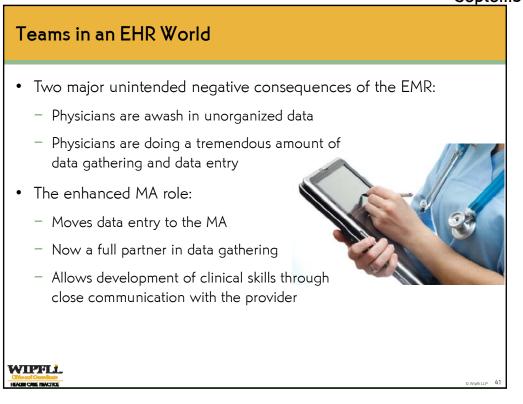
# Provider Role – beyond clinical care Will understand and work to standards of evidence-based care, review data, and receive feedback. Will understand the training protocols for support staff, will participate in evaluation of core competencies, and will become comfortable delegating tasks. Will be involved in development of workflows, offering ideas, opinions, and concerns; will have "ownership". Will be accountable for implementation and sustainability of processes and workflows for the care team.





# System Level Changes for Team-Based Care Reorganize staff roles and responsibilities Redesign patient flow Performance measurement and feedback Recognition/reward Registries and reports Patient-specific reminders and outreach

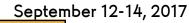


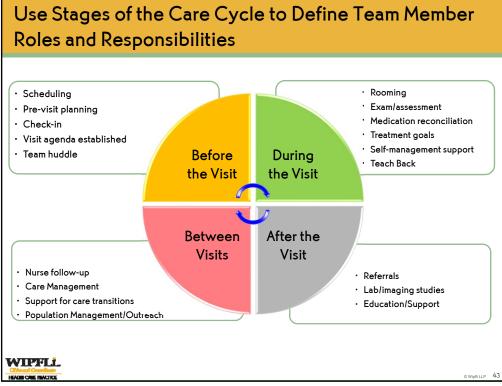


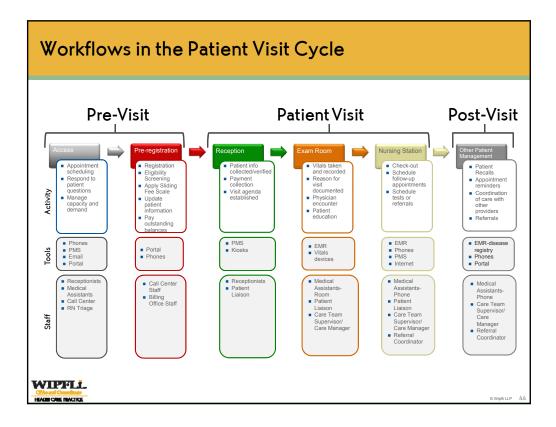
# Successful Care Team . . .

- Organize care delivery through daily huddles
- Recognize the care team is responsible for data entry
- Communicate regularly with each other
- Use technology tools:
  - EHR organized for documentation
  - Health Maintenance Prompts for preventive care
  - Registries for condition-specific population management
- Review data to understand gaps in care
  - Hold brief, frequent meetings to review and plan PDSA cycles
  - Continuous attention to improvement eventually becomes part of the Care Team's thought process, culture and daily work
- Communicate with leadership to discuss successes and barriers

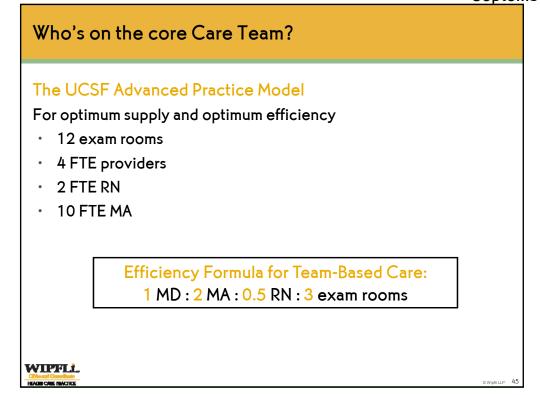


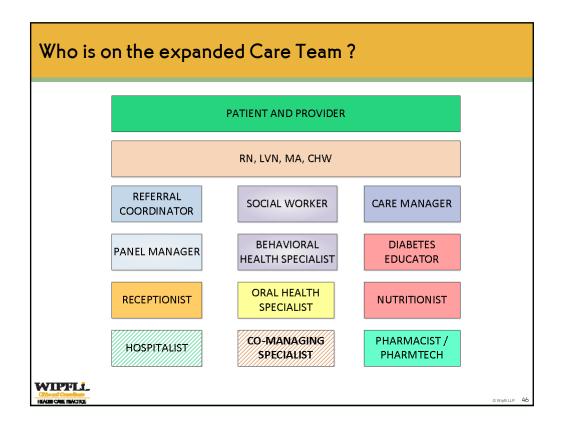








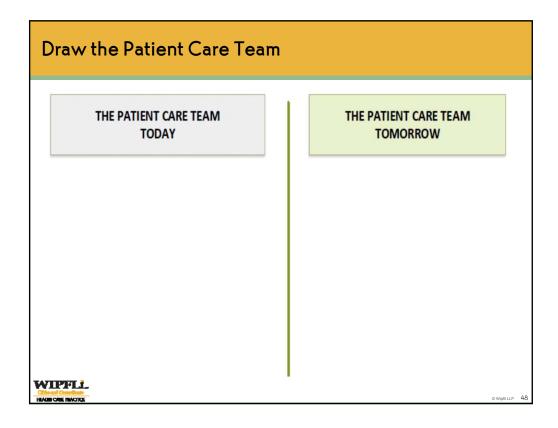




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Example: Care Team Organization				
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MAY PERFORM	MAY NOT PERFORM
<ul> <li>Injections</li> <li>Skin tests</li> <li>Bandaging</li> <li>Suture removal</li> <li>Ear lavage</li> <li>Exam preparation</li> <li>Shaving and disinfection of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Start IV or administer meds through IV line</li> <li>Chart pupillary responses</li> <li>Interpret skin tests</li> <li>Independently conduct telephone triage</li> <li>Inject collagen</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Phlebotomy</li></ul>	<ul><li>Perform laser hair removal</li><li>Administer chemotherapy</li></ul>



# Standard Work = "Gold Standard" Work

- Allows work to be done the best way every time
- Assures the highest quality of work
- Allows identification of waste
- It is the foundation from which improvements may be made
- Ensures that improvements are sustained
- Assists with training

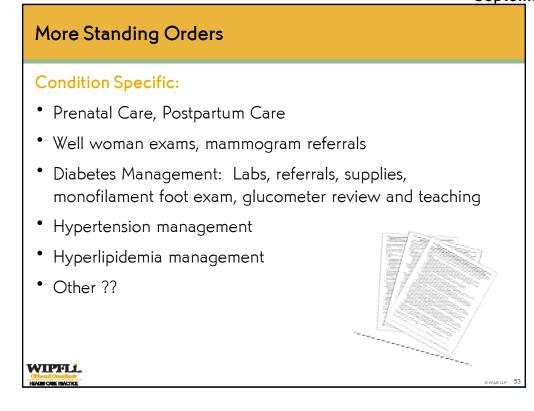
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• Specifies responsible person and the expected time for completion of every task



# Examples of Standing Orders Lab testing Pregnancy test, Rapid Strep, PPD placement Random glucose (finger stick) In-house HbA1C Well Child Check procedures Hearing and vision screenings Lead tests Fluoride varnish Immunizations Childhood Flu, Pneumovax Preventive Health screenings, including depression and risk assessments





Team Huddles				
Huddles enhance communication				
Why?	When?			
• Sets the tone for the day	• Start of the day			
• Establishes competence	• Prior to a procedure			
<ul><li>Disavows perfection</li><li>Predicts what will happen</li></ul>	• On the spot – as the			
	situation changes			
later	<ul> <li>When joined by a new team member</li> </ul>			
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ŀ	Huddles vs. Team Meetings					
		HUDDLES	TEAM MEETINGS			
	FREQUENCY	Daily	Weekly, biweekly			
	TIME	10 minutes or less	30-60 minutes			
	ATTENDEES	Clinical care team	Expanded care team			
	FOCUS	Planning for care of individual patients on today's schedule	Planning for care of a population of patients			
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Examples of Planned Care Visits				
<ul> <li>Well Child Check</li> <li>Developmental milestones</li> <li>Immunization status</li> <li>Lead testing</li> <li>Asthma Action Plan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Diabetes Follow-up</li> <li>Medication Review</li> <li>Goals, barriers, confidence</li> <li>Labs review</li> <li>Monofilament foot exam</li> <li>Retinal exam</li> <li>Behavioral health support</li> <li>Nutrition education</li> </ul>			
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Medicare Wellness Visits are planned care, too				
Establish	Detect	Provide		
Medical History	Cognitive Impairment	Preventive Screening Schedule		
Personal History	Hearing Deficits	Education		
Family History	Signs of or Risk for Depression	Counseling		
Social History	Functional Ability	Referrals		
Baseline Vitals	Fall Risk	Brief written plan		
BMI	History of fall with injury	Advance Care Planning		
Visual Acuity	Home Safety	Personalized Health/Wellness Advice		
Medication List				
Regular providers				
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## **Other Essential Team Functions**

### **Care Coordination**

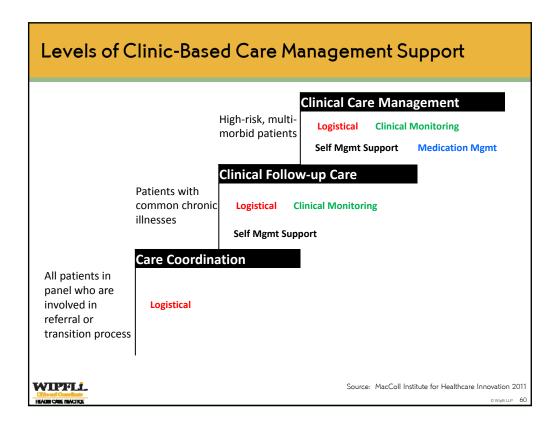
- Test Tracking orders, resulting, notifying patients
- Referral Tracking orders, communication with specialists, communication with patients

### **Care Management**

- Population Management evidence-based guidelines, continuous improvement, data review, outreach
- Self Management Support education, goal setting, follow-up, health coaching

### **Care Transitions**

- Post hospitalization follow-up
- Post ED visit follow-up





### Care Coordination – the Evidence Care coordination leads to better medical care through: Decreased medical errors.<sup>1</sup> Decreased medication errors.<sup>1</sup> Increased accuracy of post-discharge plans.<sup>2</sup> ٠ Decreased probability of adverse medication interaction.<sup>1</sup> ٠ Lower rates of hospital readmission.<sup>2</sup> • • Shorter future hospital stays.<sup>2</sup> • Decreased duplication of procedures.<sup>2</sup> Sources 1. Moore et al., Medical errors related to discontinuity of care from an inpatient to an outpatient setting. J Gen Intern Med. 2003 2. Misky et al., Post-hospitalization transitions: examining the effects of timing of primary care provider followup. J Hosp Med 2010 WIPFLL

## **Care Management Benefits**

- Improves quality and reduce cost
- Reduces acute inpatient admissions and LOS
- Reduces 15- and 31-day readmission rates
- Reduces Emergency Department utilization

### and PCPs report:

- Time savings -- 30 minutes or more daily
- Improved patient engagement
- Improved staff engagement and satisfaction
- "I can do a much better job as a physician with this level of support for myself and my patients."



## Team-Based Care Influence on Panel Size

If portions of care delivery are delegated to nonphysician team members, larger practice panels are possible.

	Level of Delegation					
	of Prevent	of Preventive/Chronic Care Management Responsibilities				
	NONE	LOW	MED	HIGH		
Panel Size	983	1,387	1,523	1,947		
% Increase from Base	0%	41%	55%	98%		
	Source: Altschuler, et.al., Estimati	-		vith Team-based Task Delegation. No. 5; September/October 2012 owpsillp 63		

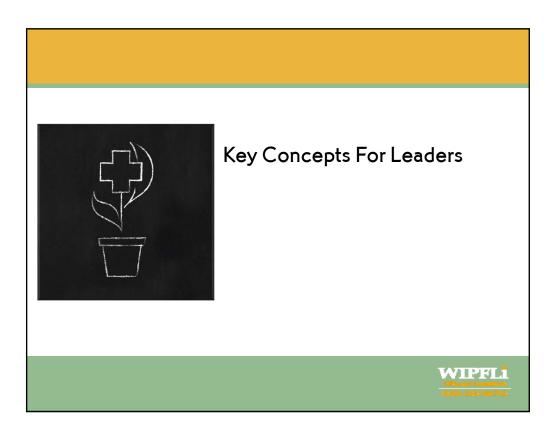
# Elements of a Successful Care Team

- Culture shift to "Share the Care"
- Stable teamlets
- Team members sit in close proximity
- Standing orders / protocols / standard work
- Defined workflows
- Clear roles and responsibilities
- Training, skills checks, cross-training
- Ground rules
- Communication huddles, team meetings, constant interaction



### Measures of Team Effectiveness

- Employee satisfaction surveys
- Employee turnover rates
- Tools to measure "team cohesiveness"
- Continuity and empanelment reports
- Operational reports such as office wait time, visit cycle times, no-show rates, call abandonment
- Clinical process reports, especially as related to a standing order service
- Direct audit of items in standardized workflows
- Patient experience and satisfaction surveys





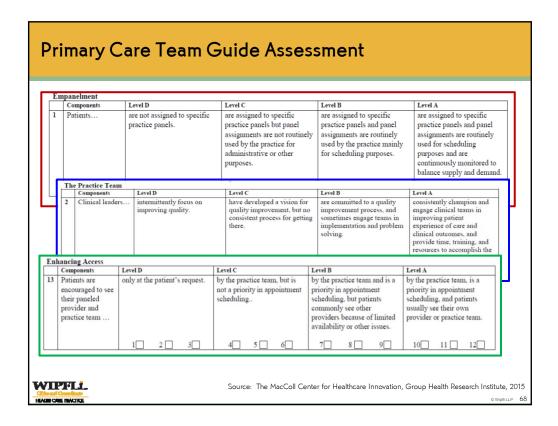
## Redesigning a System of Care

Many health care organizations have made important advancements in the design and performance of their current systems of care. Despite these improvements:

- Many improvements remain unused, partially implemented, fragmented, and isolated.
- Clinicians often feel overworked and unable to take on new work.
- Patient satisfaction levels are not optimal.
- Wait time for patients continues to increase.

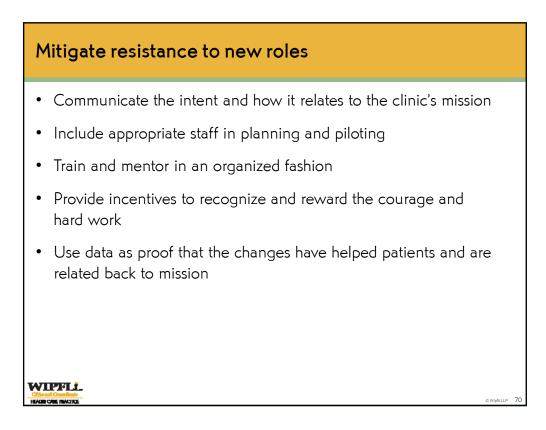
It is a leadership imperative to assess your delivery system—people, processes, and quality outcomes—against your peers and benchmarks.

- Determine your strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- Use the "Primary Care Team Guide Assessment" tool to assess your current state and develop an action plan.





# Provide teams with the decision support and resources necessary to deliver high quality care. Ensure the practice has the resources to make optimal care routine . . . it becomes the default. It is the standard of care for the practice. Make it easiest to do what is best. Eliminate the need for "work-arounds."





### Develop a standardized infrastructure

Develop documentation to support team-based care:

- Job descriptions
- Performance evaluation tools
- Competency checklists
- Training program descriptions
- Clinical practice guidelines
- Standing orders
- Standards for medical record/EMR documentation
- Simple, easy to follow workflows
- Scripting/patient education protocols
- Patient communication guidelines

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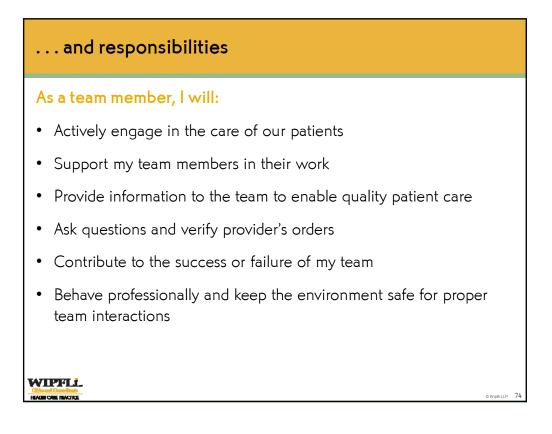


### Core Competencies:

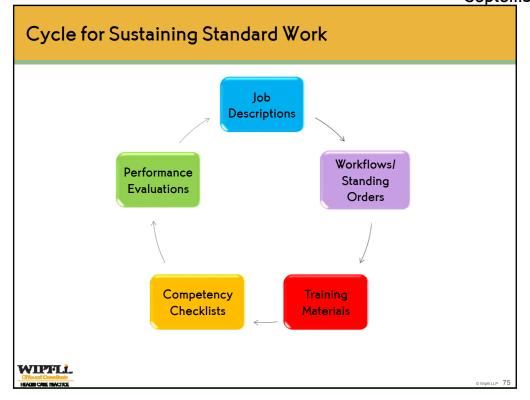
- Recognizes intra- and interdepartmental coworkers as customers by working together as part of the multidisciplinary team
- Indicates awareness of staffing, scheduling process, scopes of practice, policies and procedures, and is focused on patient-centered care and team cohesiveness.
- Proper use of PTO
- Sick call process
- Understands Scope of Practice
- Knows how to find or inquire about Heartbeat Health Center policies and procedures



# Team members have rights . . . Team members have the right to: Be treated with respect Be successful Be informed that you are doing a good job Be informed about problem performance Have a voice in what happens to your work







### **Creating the Team Identity** Co-location ٠ Color coding • Uniforms • Celebrations/rewards • Team photographs in ٠ exam rooms • Compliments/praise – be specific • Posting examples of team member success Posting quality improvement trends • Other examples? ٠ WIPFLL



# Invest in Technology

- EHR with customization as needed
- Interfaces to lab, imaging, immunization registry
- Patient registry
- Report writing application
- Patient portals or interactive website
- Lab and imaging interfaces
- Telehealth
- Automated phone systems
- Walkie-talkies
- Headsets

# Always involve the team in planning for technology design and use!

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# Invest in Training

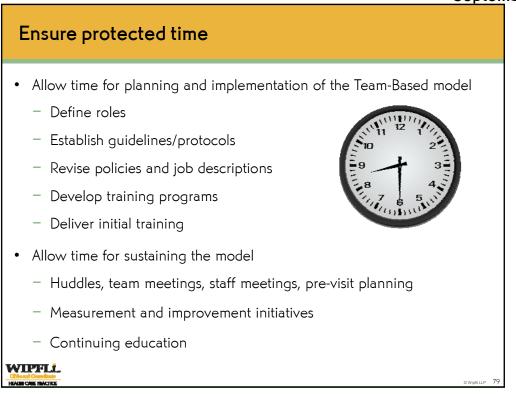
Ensure training to use systems effectively and efficiently

- Written policies and standards
- Written training materials

### Create multiple training opportunities

- New employee orientation
- All staff training
- Team-based training





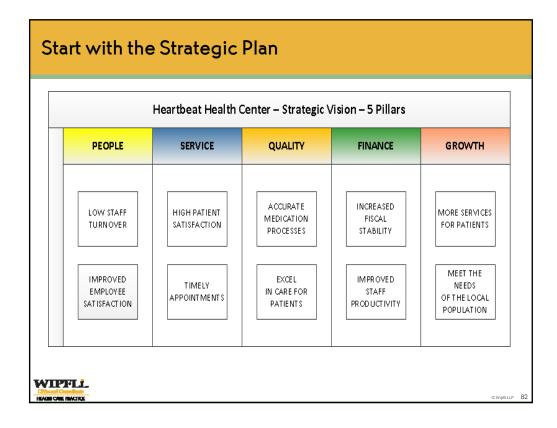
# Strengthening internal capacity for quality

- The **PATIENT** becomes the center of our work.
- **QUALITY** becomes our common language.
- CURIOSITY is a valued (and desired) characteristic of our Board, employees and patients.
- Staff are **EMPOWERED** to drive improvements.
- **TECHNOLOGY** enables reporting.
- **TRANSPARENCY** in reporting accelerates improvement.
- **RECOGNITION** encourages future efforts.

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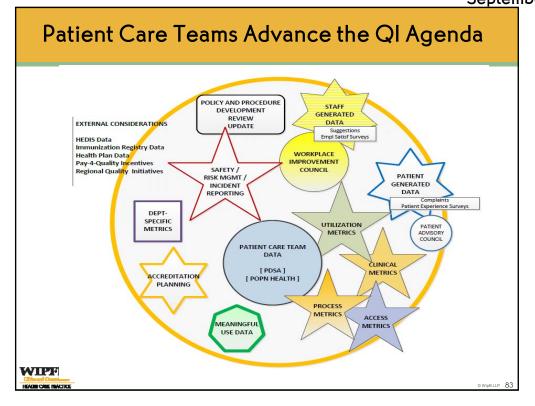


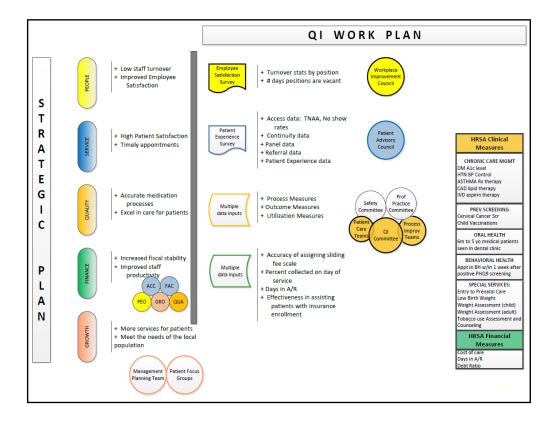




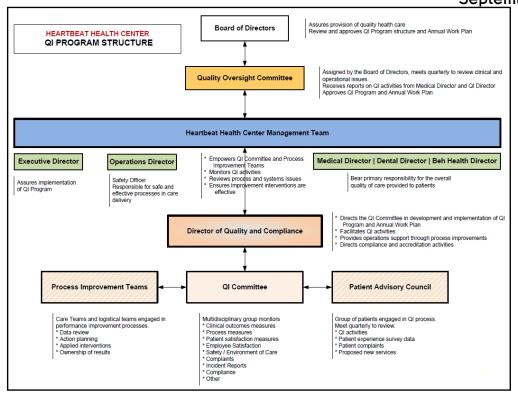
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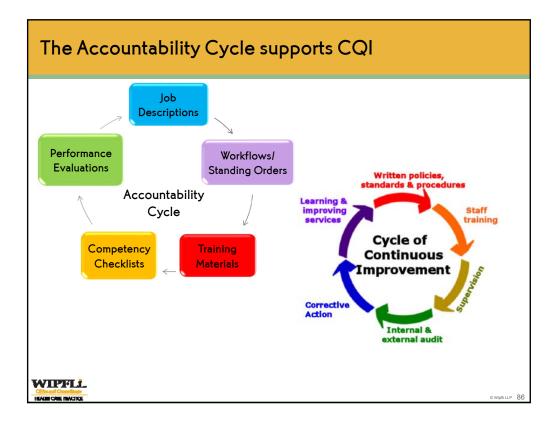
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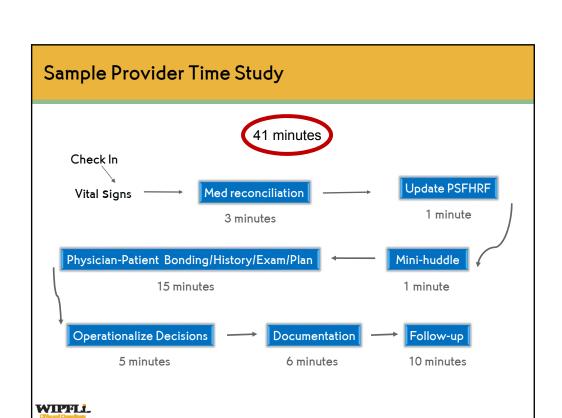




## Patient Care Teams and Process Improvement Teams

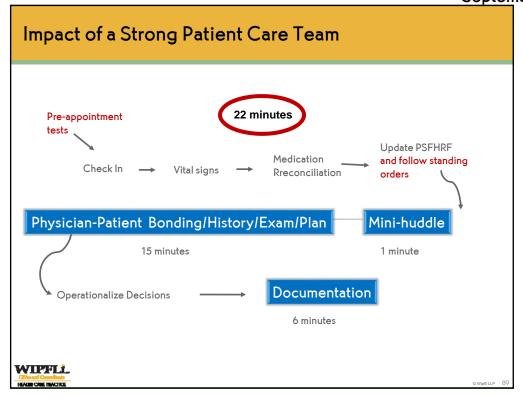
- Align Team Vision to meet health center goals
  - Patient flow processes
  - Clinical outcomes
  - Clinic culture
- Discover the flaws
  - Understand the situation in detail
  - Generate options for action
- Facilitate action
- Monitor results
- Repeat

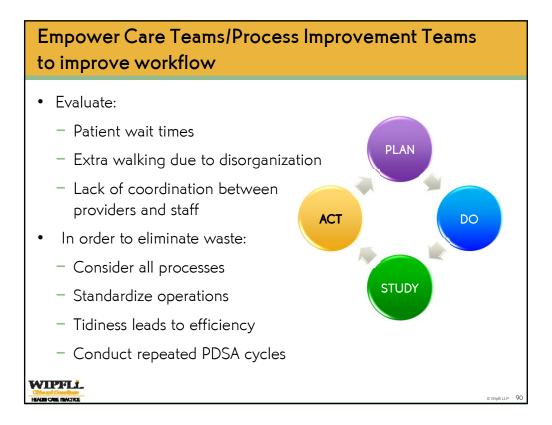
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# What is Population Health?

**Population Health** has been defined as "the health outcomes of a group of individuals, including the distribution of such outcomes within the group." This approach to health aims to improve the health of an entire human population.

**Population Health Management** is the aggregation of patient data across multiple health information technology resources, the analysis of that data into a single, actionable patient record, and the actions through which care providers can improve both clinical and financial outcomes.

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### Implementing Population Health Management

Population Health Management is the core of payment reform.

Implementation requires the following:

- Empanelment of patients to providers
- Adoption of evidence-based guidelines
- Ability to prepare "exception reports" from the EHR
- Evolution to team-based care
- Intentional care coordination
- Systematic outreach to patients to close gaps in care
- Transparent reporting across the practice and regionally



Health Assessment	• Collect information on patients
Risk Stratification	<ul> <li>Stratify patients into meaningful categories for targeted interventions</li> </ul>
Intervention	<ul> <li>Reach out to patients and provide services and resources</li> </ul>
Evaluation	<ul> <li>Assess impact on patient, the clinic, and the community</li> </ul>

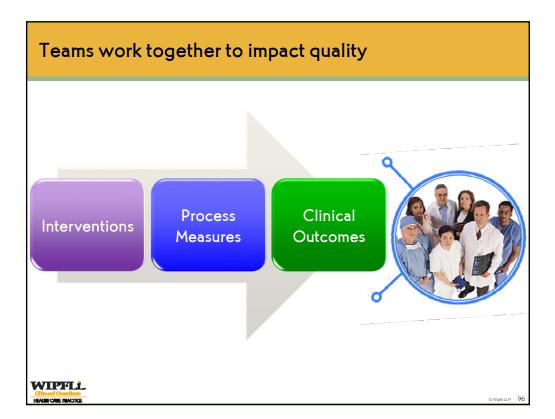




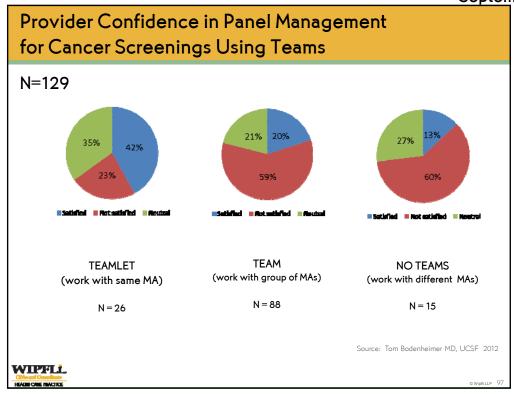
## Care Team accountability supports the QI Agenda

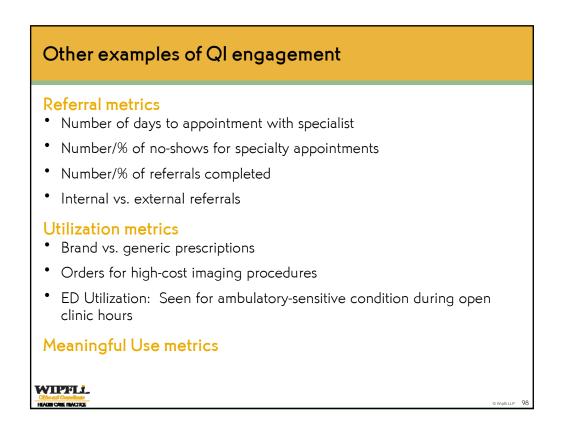
### **EXAMPLE: TEAM MEETING STRUCTURE**

- Week 1: Well Child Outreach/Pedi-asthma
- Week 2: Diabetes/Depression
- Week 3: MA/FD: Normal PAP/Mammo
  - RN/MD: High-Risk patient case review
- Week 4: ED Utilization: Seen for ambulatory-sensitive problem during open clinic hours





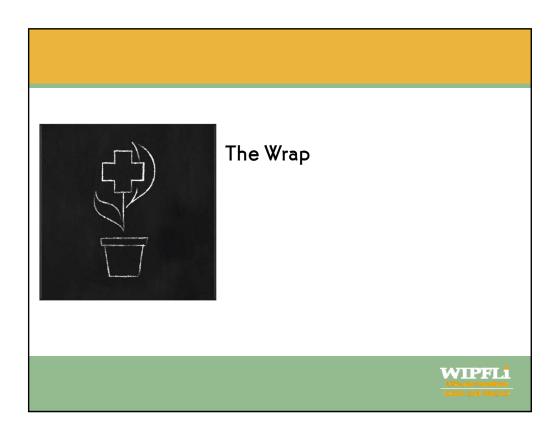






# Measures of Team Effectiveness

- Employee satisfaction surveys
- Employee turnover rates
- Tools to measure "team cohesiveness"
- Continuity and empanelment reports
- Operational reports (i.e., office wait time, visit cycle times, noshow rates, call abandonment rates)
- Population health reports
- Direct audit of items in standardized workflows
- Patient experience/satisfaction surveys

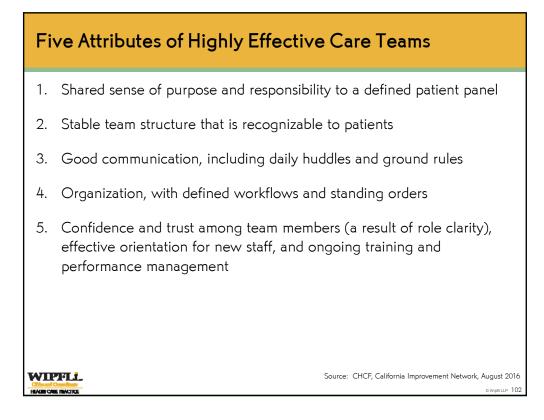




### The future

- Trending towards value based payment
  - Medicare goals:
    - $\sim 85\%$  of Medicare FFS payments to be tied to quality or value by 2016
    - ~ 30% of Medicare payments should be tied to quality or value through alternative payment models by 2016 (50% by 2018) /
- Increased importance on population management
  - Hot spotting / segmentation
  - Better understanding of who we serve
  - IOM recommendations on social determinants of health
- Improvement will become increasingly incentivized
  - Health plan contracts tied to quality performance (P4P/P4Q/P4R) and accreditation

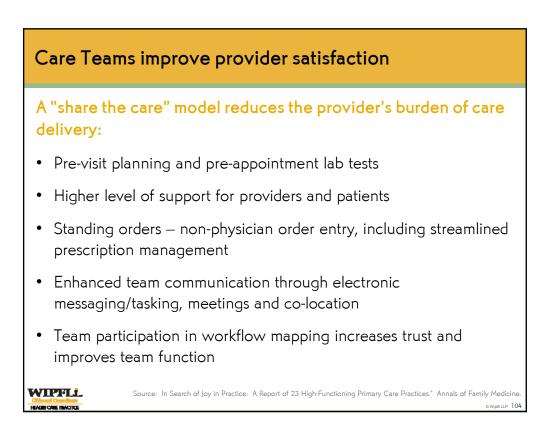
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### Care Teams improve patient satisfaction

- Direct provider engagement is enhanced via reduction in clerical and EHR tasks
- Training and skills in care management increase capacity for support of complicated patients
- Higher level of patient engagement is experienced through trusting relationship with care team members
- Improved patient satisfaction scores result from a better experience of care





## Care Teams improve the health system

- Improved patent experience and satisfaction
- Improved patient loyalty
- Improved staff retention and recruitment
- Improved quality scores

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• Improved financial viability through efficiency, increased capacity and patient thru-put

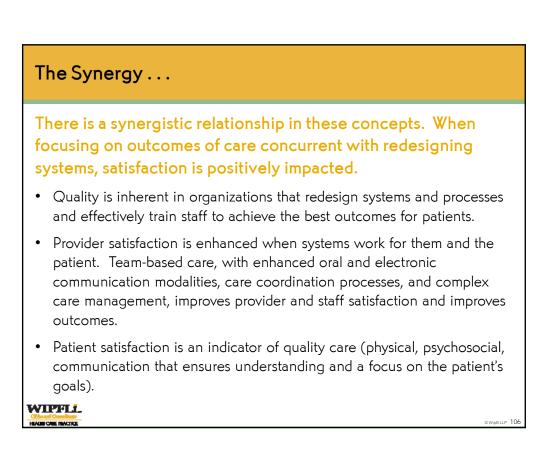




Table Talk – What Steps Will You Take?						
List the steps necessary to advance your work as TEAMS	Person responsible (Who)	When	Where			
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
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# Thank you!

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