

Leveraging Payment Reforms to Transform and Expand Home-Based Care for People with Complex Health Needs

Webinar Agenda
Thursday, February 17th, 1:00-3:00 PM ET

The home setting is an untapped resource to provide care to millions of people in the United States who are unable to access or have difficulty obtaining care. During the COVID-19 public health emergency, access to several types of home-based care (like Hospital at Home and telehealth) were expanded using emergency authority. This meeting will discuss key policy opportunities to increase home-based care at both the federal and state level and consider pathways to utilize value-based payment models to further expand access to home-based care services. The webinar will include presentations, a panel with national experts, and a fireside chat to identify the key actions in the public and private sector given this important policy window.

Meeting Objectives

- Discuss opportunities to expand home-based care models for people with complex health and social needs, including pathways to align and scale value-based payment models for homebased care
- Identify key policy decisions that federal and state policymakers should consider as well as pathways for increased private sector engagement
- Summarize findings from Duke-Margolis research and present policy recommendations and implementation reforms that can help advance home-based care models in the short term

1:00 PM Welcome and Opening Remarks

Mark McClellan, MD, PhD; Director, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy Rani Snyder, MPA; Vice President, Program, The John A. Hartford Foundation Gretchen Alkema, PhD; Vice President, Policy & Communications, The SCAN Foundation

Corinne Lewis, MSW; Program Officer, Delivery System Reform, the Commonwealth Fund

1:15 PM Project Overview and High-Level Issue Brief Findings

Jonathan Gonzalez-Smith, MPAff; Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Objectives: Present summary of Duke-Margolis issue brief outlining strategic opportunities for payment reforms and policies that will result in wider adoption and spread of home-based care.

1:30 PM Panel: Opportunities to Expand Home-Based Care through Value-Based Payment Models

Christine Ritchie, MD, MSPH; Director of Research for the Division of Palliative Care and Geriatric Medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital; Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Patrick Conway, MD; CEO of Care Solutions, Optum

Curtis Cunningham; Assistant Administrator of Benefits and Service Delivery, Wisconsin Division of Medicaid Services

Julian Harris, MD, MBA; Chairman and CEO, ConcertoCare; Operating Partner, Deerfield Management



Moderator: Robert Saunders, PhD; Senior Research Director, Health Care Transformation, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Objectives: Discuss the potential trajectory for home-based care services from the perspective of states, commercial payers, and providers. Key topics include:

- Opportunities for private payers to test innovative payment and care delivery approaches for home-based care populations
- Ways to leverage home- and community-based service options to support homebased care for people traditionally needing institutional-level care
- Actions to improve access to home-based care services through existing statebased policy vehicles (e.g., Section 1115 waivers, Section 1915(c) waivers, and State Medicaid Agency Contracts)
- Potential impact of additional federal funding for home-based care services

2:15 PM Pathways to Drive Innovation

Chris Ritter, PhD, MPA; Acting Deputy Director and Patient Care Models Group Director, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI)

Mark McClellan, MD, PhD; Director, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Objectives: Discuss policy mechanisms for expanding access to home-based care services within the context of the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation's strategic reset and administrative priorities to expand person-centered care and achieve health equity. Key topics include:

- Opportunities for CMS- and CMMI-led value-based payment demonstrations to better account for the unique needs of home-based patients living with serious illness
- Pathways to ensure smaller home-based care practices and independent providers are able to participate in value-based care reforms
- Learnings from COVID-19-related regulatory waivers that can support home-based care expansion

2:45 PM Wrap Up and Closing Remarks

Mark McClellan, MD, PhD; Director, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Objectives: Synthesize and discuss key highlights from the webinar and identify opportunities for future efforts to advance home-based care.

3:00 PM Adjourn

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