Strengthening Whole-Person Specialty Care Through Accountable Care Innovation

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Agenda

- Welcome & Opening Remarks
- Fireside Chat with CMMI: Updates on CMS' Specialty Care Agenda
- Moderated Discussion: Complementary Initiatives to Advance Core Specialty Model Components
- Wrap up and Key Synthesis

This webinar is part of a five-year, collaborative initiative between the Duke-Margolis Institute for Health Policy and West Health to advance and accelerate value-based payment reform in the U.S. health care system.

Specialty Reforms Must Account for Each Major Type of Specialized Care



Whole-Person Care

Specialists that manage the full range of patient care for a specialized population

- Care for people with advanced chronic kidney disease, complex geriatric conditions
- May particularly benefit from participating in accountable care models for specific populations
- Example: A nephrologist providing specialty and primary care services to dialysis patients



Acute Episodic Specialty Care

Specialists that focus on a specific intervention or episode

- Typically manage specialized care for a defined time period
- Most general surgery procedures, specialized elective services, major acute events
- Example: A surgeon managing discrete surgical or intensive conditions, such as appendicitis



Longitudinal and Chronic Specialty Care

Specialists that co-manage care with PCPs or other providers

- Care for chronic conditions involving specialized management in collaboration with primary care. Includes major chronic disease areas such as CV, MSK, diabetes, dementia, chronic lung diseases, IBD, etc.
- Example: A cardiologist and a PCP working together to coordinate care for a patient with cardiovascular disease

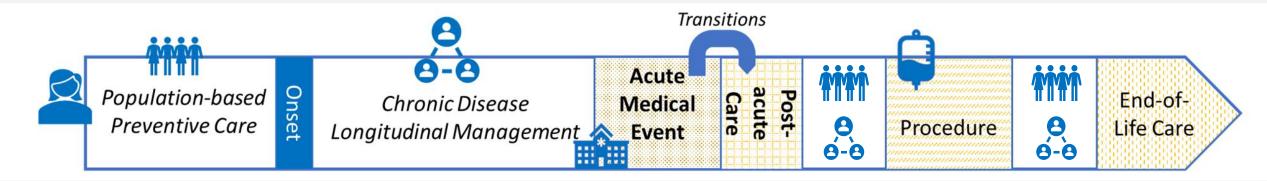
How Do the Solutions Fit Together?

1 Increase Transparency Through Enhanced Data Sharing and Specialist Performance Measures

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BPCI Advanced Extension

Mandatory Episode Payment Model



Specialist Engagement with Advanced Primary Care

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ACO Condition and Procedure Management

Complementary Approaches to Support Progress

CMS focused on variety of infrastructure development initiatives

- Primary care and specialty collaboration through data transparency, and for specialist value-based care readiness through MVP performance
- BPCI-A initiative, whole-person care models, alignment through CMMI models

Commercial payers focused on longitudinal care management in model design

 Primary care and specialty collaboration and overall condition management, sub-capitation, and improving integration within ACOs

Accountable providers are also leveraging internal data to reduce specialty costs and improve co-management

Exploring high-cost drugs and reducing variation in practice patterns

