

Evolution of Value-Based Care: Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities



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Rural Engines for Value-Based Care



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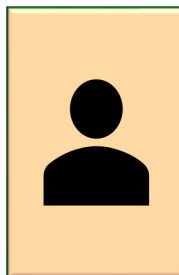
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Triple Aim and Why It's Important

- What most people expect of the healthcare system!
- Shouldn't we be paid for what our patients and communities deserve?
- Let's also consider the *Quadruple Aim*.



Better Care



Improved Health



Smarter Spending

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From Now Until When

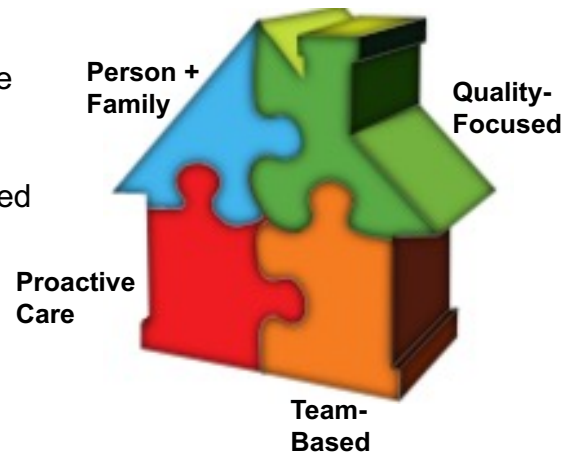
- **Today:** fee-for-service predominates
 - Pays for each unit of service
 - Rewards industriousness and efficiency
 - Contributes to high-cost health care
 - Worsens professional satisfaction
- **Future:** **value-based care**
 - Requires team-based care
 - Rewards better care and efficiency
 - Increases healthcare quality
 - Reduces healthcare costs
 - Improves professional satisfaction



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Value-Based Care

- Value-based care prioritizes high-quality, person-centered, and efficient care.
- Value-based care does NOT prioritize the volume of services provided.
- **Robust primary care** practices are an essential ingredient (as in person-centered health homes).
- But we have a problem...



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The Value Conundrum

You can always count on Americans to do the right thing – after they've tried everything else.

- Fee-for-service
- Full capitation
- Market-based
- Single payer

- What about paying for **healthcare value**?



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Form Follows Finance

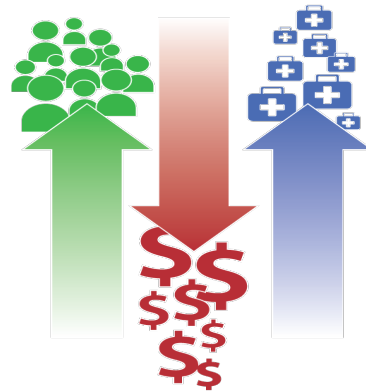
- How we *deliver* care depends in part on how we are *paid* for care.
- Thus, new value-based payment systems are changing both payment and healthcare delivery.
- Payment supplies fuel for the Volume → **Value** transition.



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Value-Based Payment

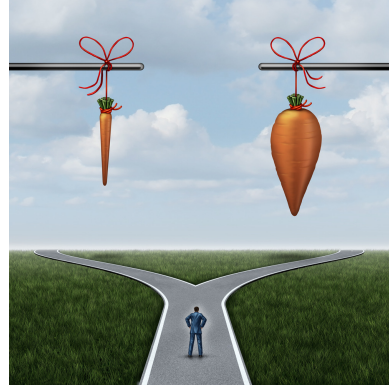
- **Payment** for one or more parts of the Triple Aim.
 - Better patient care
 - Improved community health
 - Smarter spending
- Not payment for an individual service; that is, NOT fee-for-service.
- To *receive* value-based payment, we must *deliver* value-based care.



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Why Discussing Payment, Not Care?

- Career as a rural family doc, yet...
- Money is a medium of exchange.
- Incentives drive behavior.
- Not all incentives are financial, but finance remains important.
- Let's incentivize the Triple Aim.
- Make it easy to do the *right* thing.



**RURAL CLINICALLY
INTEGRATED NETWORKS**



A CIN is a *Cooperative*



- A **cooperative** is a membership organization, whose members work together to achieve **common goals**.
- Members have
 - Mutual authority
 - Collective accountability
 - Shared savings/profits
- Goal is VBC contracts with all payers.
- The rural healthcare clinically integrated network is not anti-payer and not anti-system. **It is pro-rural!**



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Rural Challenges

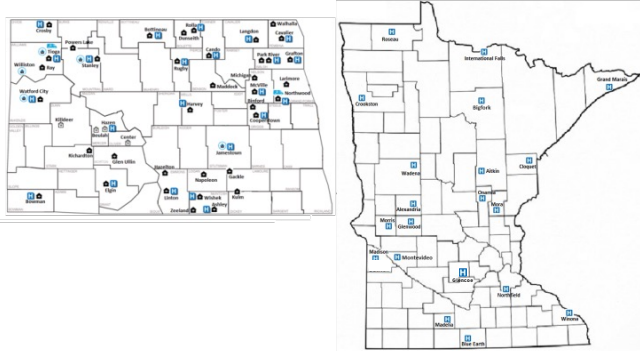


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| Loss of operational control through distant health system affiliations. | ➔ | Maintain control through <i>interdependence</i> with peers. |
| Patient and service volumes too low for value-based care contracts. | ➔ | Combine patients to gain scale for value-based care contracts. |
| Payer-designed programs do not recognize rural healthcare realities. | ➔ | Design health plans to recognize and reward rural strengths. |
| Under-resourced performance improvement systems. | ➔ | Share performance improvement and data analysis resources. |
| Inaccurate or incomplete performance data held by payers. | ➔ | Control your own data with a shared population health platform. |

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Rough Rider & Headwaters Combined Stats



- 42 hospital members plus many clinics and *growing!*
- ~ 775,000 persons
- ~ \$2.0 billion in net revenue
- ~ 13,000 member employees
- ~ 50,000 MSSP lives
- Like a farmers' cooperative, we are stronger **together**.

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CIN Governance



- Non-profit incorporation – in the state where the CIN operates.
- Governing Board of Directors – elected by the CIN CEOs.
- Cibolo staff – supports strategic, administrative, operational, financial, and clinical operations.
- Working committees – representatives from each CIN member that make recommendations to the Board.



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CIN Committees



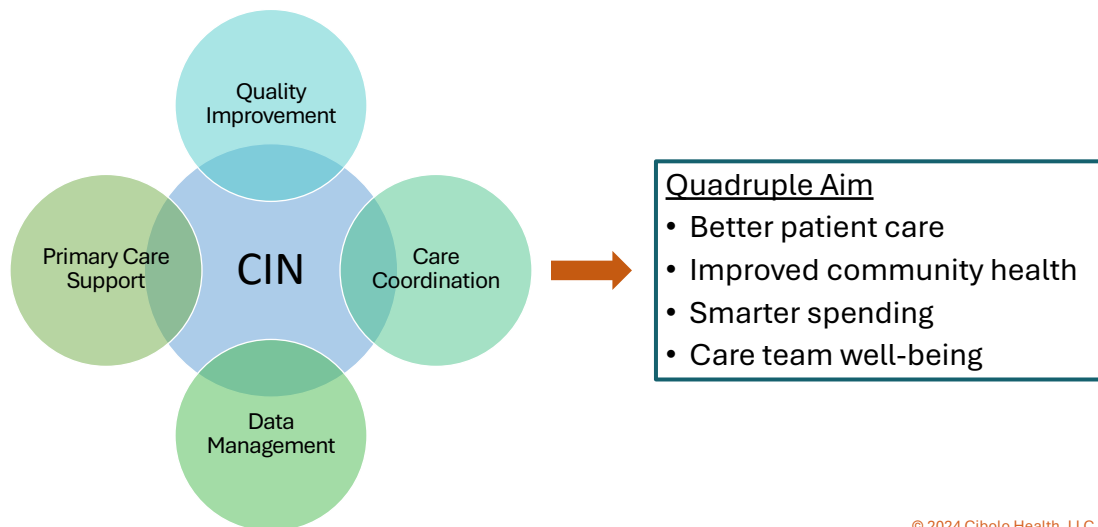
- Clinical Integration Committee
 - Physician, PA, or NP from each CIN member
 - All **clinical** issues (e.g., quality improvement and data analysis)
- Care Coordination Committee
 - Care coordinators, quality directors, and/or clinic managers from each CIN member
 - All **workflow** issues (e.g., team-based care and care coordination)
- Business Integration Committee
 - CFO or COO from each CIN member
 - All **business** issues (e.g., shared services identification and payer negotiations)



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CIN Functions and Solutions



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CIN Solution – Quality Improvement



- **Too many measures!** Focusing on all means focusing on none.
- Clinical Integration Committee selects 10 quality measures each year for the CIN.
- Each member then selects 1-2 for a 6-month *focused* improvement project.
- Share project results among all members. Learn from each other!



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CIN Solutions – Care Coordination



- Primary care team
 - Physicians, APPs, nurses, managers, coders, care coordinators, registration, and more
- Local team
 - Primary care team, Public Health, pharmacists, community health workers, community-based organizations, and more
- Virtual team
 - Supports, not supplants, local team
 - Services that are not available locally



Requires a consistent care coordination system to assure health care occurs at the right place and at the right time without duplication or waste.

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CIN Solution – Data Management



- Population health IT platform
- Quality and cost data management
- Data collection, analysis, and reporting
- *Actionable* quality and cost reports
- Payer-agnostic and EHR-agnostic
- CIN “owns” its data in perpetuity
- Very expensive to purchase and operate – requires a collaborative



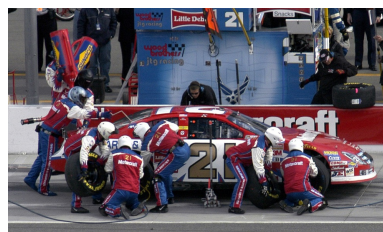
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CIN Solution – Primary Care Support



- Practicing Primary Care *Wisely* Initiative
- Initiative goals
 - Continuous clinical quality improvement
 - Increased primary care practice efficiency
 - Improved primary care team satisfaction
 - A culture of belonging as RRHVN members
- Team-based care focus
- Designed to return time in the workday to busy professionals
- Consultant team led by Stratis Health (with AMA, QHA, and Blue Agilis)



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Clinically Integrated Network Summary



- Provides solutions to many rural healthcare organization challenges.
- Encourages independence through interdependence.
- Allows payer negotiations and single-signature contracting.
- Requires strong organization capacity and leadership skill.
- Offers an opportunity to advance the Quadruple Aim – serving rural people, places, and providers.



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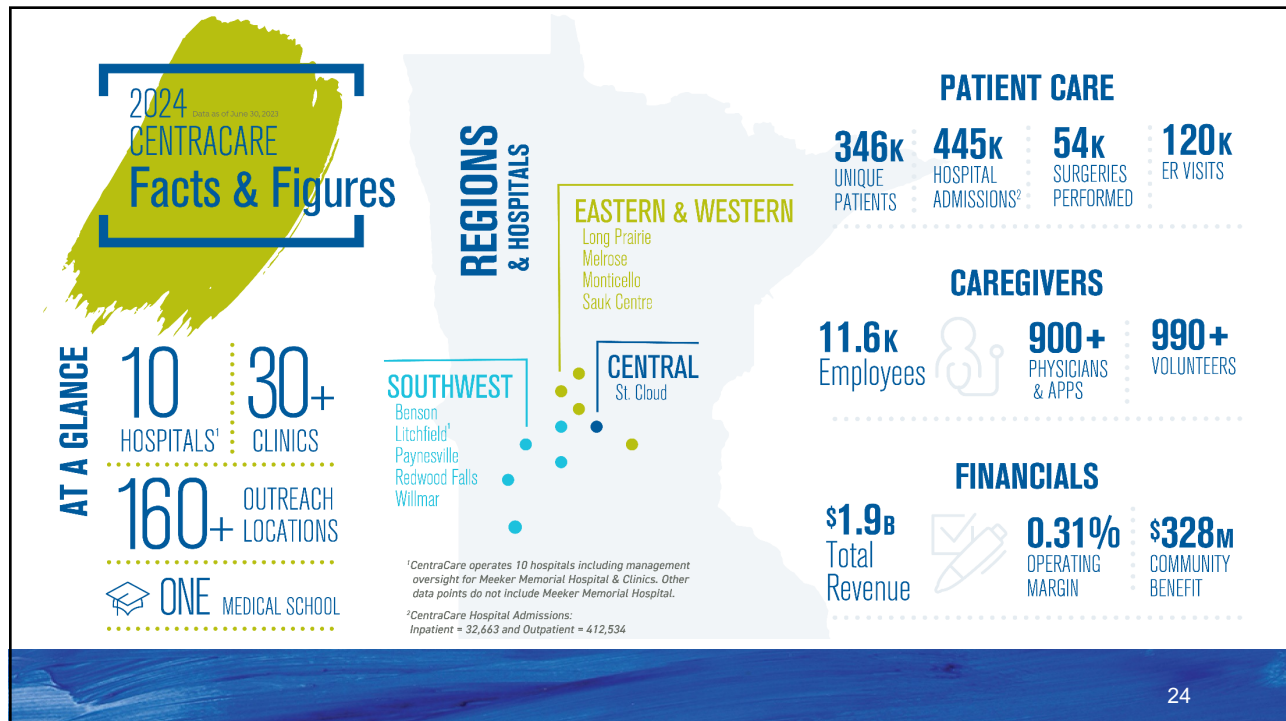
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CentraCare's VBC Landscape

- ▶ Over 10 years experience
- ▶ 150,000 covered lives
- ▶ Many different payer partner arrangements
- ▶ Central MN ACO
- ▶ 44% tipping threshold
- ▶ System commitment to Population Health

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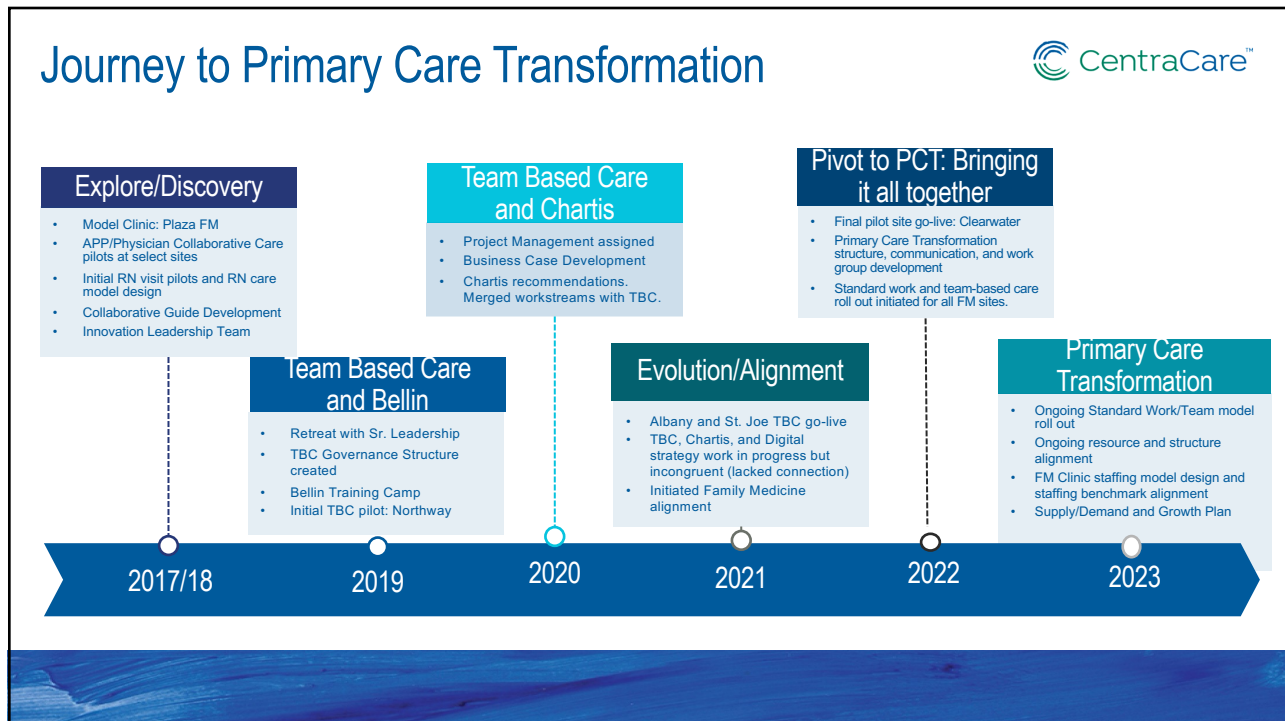
Managing the Polarity of FFS and VBC

- ▶ Embrace it
- ▶ Strategic Alignment
- ▶ Commitment to the quadruple aim
- ▶ Nimbleness
- ▶ Our topics for today:
 - Primary Care Transformation
 - Primary Care Compensation Redesign

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Journey to Primary Care Transformation



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So, What is Primary Care Transformation?



It is a structure that fosters alignment and continuous improvement within Primary Care.

It is a vehicle for advancing standard work.

It is how we focus our teams on both quick wins and larger strategy discussions.

It is a balance of many priorities – ensuring that no one area receives too much or too little emphasis and that multiple aims are achieved.

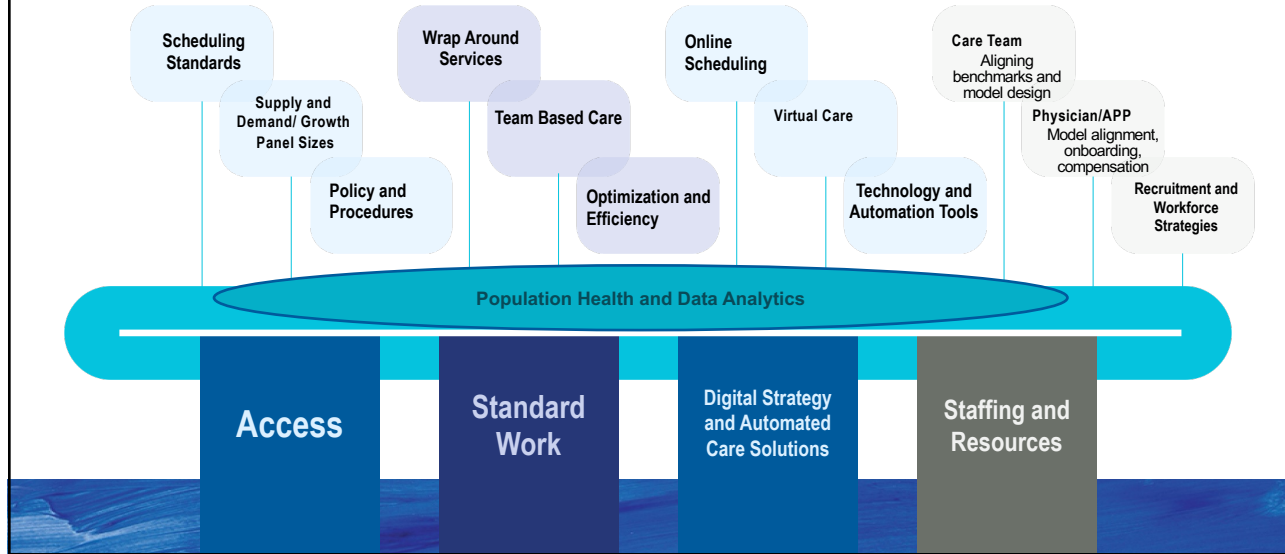
It is our OneCentraCare primary care approach to achieving the quadruple aim.

It is a common language and structure that improves our ability to work with our internal partners, and their ability to work with us.

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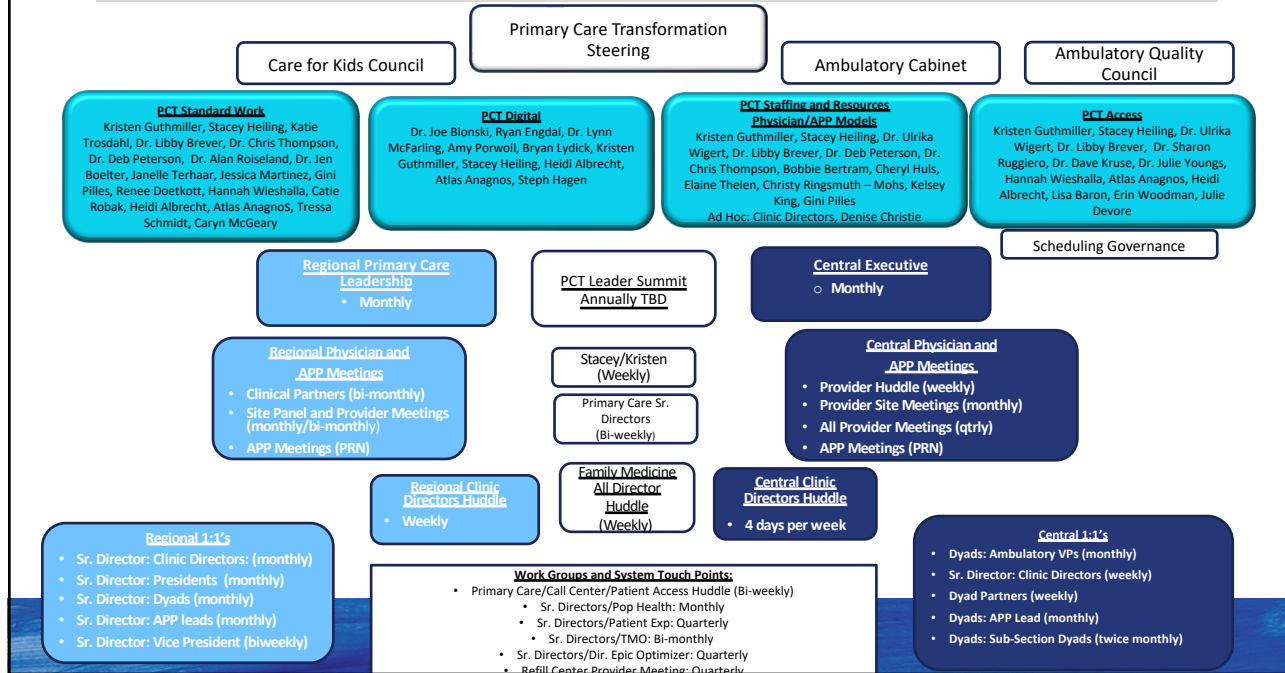
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Primary Care Transformation



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Ambulatory Rural/Central Alignment: Family Medicine



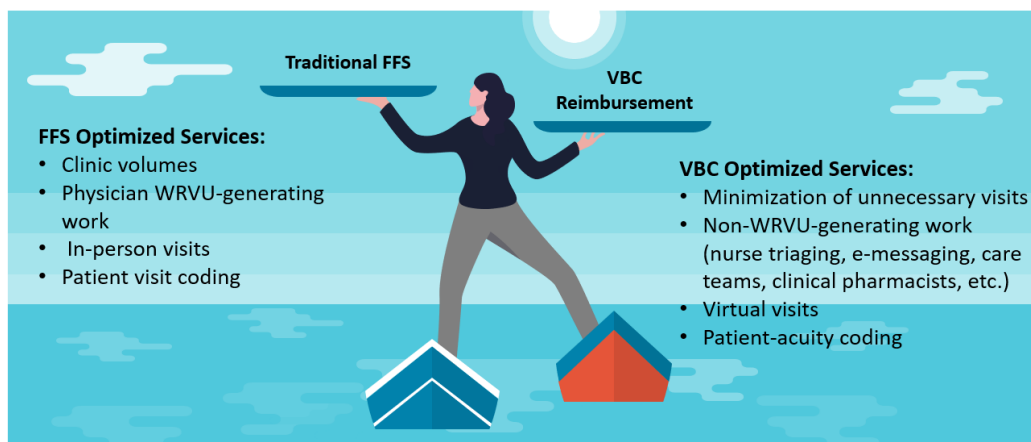
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Aligning the work with Compensation

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Balancing Fee-for-Service (FFS) and Value-Based Care (VBC) Reimbursement

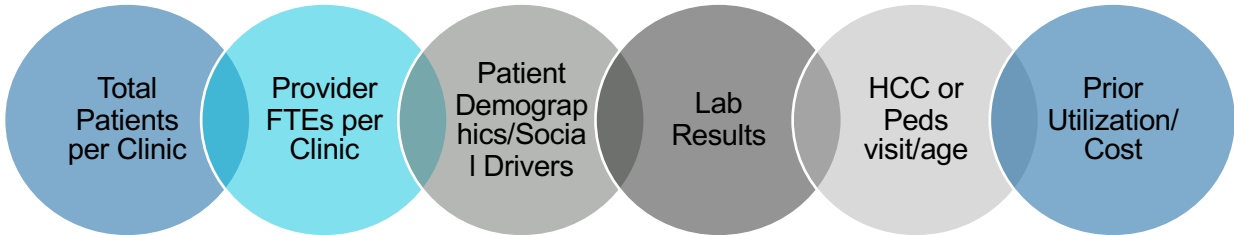


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Primary Care Compensation Redesign - Components

- ▶ Increased pool of value/quality
- ▶ wRVUs
- ▶ Risk Adjusted Panel



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