



Utah Partnership for Value-Driven Healthcare Member Meeting
Thursday, March 24, 4:00-6:00 pm
HealthInsight Board Room . 756 E. Winchester (6600 South), #200, Murray, UT

Conference Line: 1-888-290-0568 / Participant Code: 8793106

To join the meeting: <https://healthinsight.adobeconnect.com/r9ekl3tljiz/>

NOTES

Welcome

- Juliana welcomed the group
- Introductions were made

Updates

- Utah Partnership for Value-Driven Healthcare Advisory Board, Choosing Wisely Toolkit
 - Please see link: <https://healthinsight.org/choosing-wisely>
 - Five Questions
 - Please review and send input
 - Trying to tackle getting the information into the hands of consumers
 - Send ideas on how to disseminate
- Past and Upcoming Events
 - Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute Conference-March 15
 - 130 attendees from throughout the community
 - Stakeholder panels
 - Consumer and researchers in the same space
 - A report will be written and shared
 - Behavioral Health Summit-March 17
 - Chuck Norlin/Iona Thraen
 - Overview of behavioral health payment across the state
 - Case discussion
 - Payer panel
 - Age 0-34, older group often uninsured
 - Challenging to get political approval
 - End of Life Summit-April 4
 - Allie Miraglia (amiraglia@healthinsight.org)
 - SIM
 - Convened community stakeholders
 - Gaps in conversations that aren't happening
 - EOL care and ACP issues
 - Cultural and religious differences
 - Atul Gawande toolkit, Conversation Project
 - Registration is still open

- Utah Regional Health Care Innovation Day-April 27
 - Wyatt Packer (wpacker@healthinsight.org)
 - <https://healthinsight.org/innovation-day>
 - Keynote: Patrick Conway
- Health Information Technology Summit-May 17
 - Iona Thraen (ithraen@utah.gov)
 - University of Utah, ancestry.com (security concerns), Dr. Joseph Miner. ONC SIM site visit around the conference
 - Community solution, move across system, ThSISU--ONC very interested in these issues
- Rylee Curtis-Inaugural Community Health Worker Summit
 - RyLee Curtis (RyLee@healthpolicyproject.onmicrosoft.com)
 - UHPP
 - April 11, 9 to 4, Sheraton Downtown
 - \$10 registration, free to many

Community Updates

- Medicare Advantage Plan Contacts
 - Marianne Christensen
 - SL Co Active Aging Program
 - 19 senior centers
 - Handout
 - Effective, but not well-known
 - Working on more stable funding
 - www.slco.org/healthpromo
 - Plans for mental health? Valley Mental Health
 - Health Coaching program
 - What is the enrollment?
 - Working with AARP?

Taking the Pulse: Emerging Payment Models and Practice Transformation

Inform the community about new payment models, quality measures, and resulting delivery system redesign.

● Total Cost of Care & Transparency Initiatives

Norm Thurston, PhD, Director, Office of Health Care Statistics, Utah Department of Health

Charles Hawley, Analytics Lead, Office of Health Care Statistics, Utah Department of Health

- Supreme Court Issue-data collection optional for a broad segment of people, fear of people bailing out
- Will try to create community engagement
- APCD-flagship, 3 yrs of data, available in the Fall, transparency reports being released in July, comparative reports on physicians, avoidance of antibiotic therapy, diabetes patients (A1C test, HEDIS), non-controversial best practices
- TAG, Medical Subcommittee proceeding successfully
- TCOC grant-develop measures to provide to the community, uses APCD
- End result=clinical comparison
- Maternity cost at UtahHealthScape
- ~240 clinics statewide
- NQF
- Clinics mean location, geographic where physicians are together (state law), five or more physicians
- Small health areas

- **Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA) Overview**

Clay Alspach, Principal, Leavitt Partners

- MACRA-enacted ~one year ago, big piece of legislation, end SGR, complicated/broad
- Medicare physician payment
- Merit based incentive payment...MIPS
- Alternative payment models
- Value to quality
- MIPS-fee for service, how they perform on measures
- Many APMs will not qualify
- Fear this will disincentive-ize physicians to treat the very ill, documentation, a lot training, protect them from losing money in this model
- Clay-key factor in public discussions that need to take place
- Need a transition
- Small practices effect? MIPS until there is a better idea of expectations. Support for physicians is poorly funded
- Timeline? Administration has put out request for comments. Information forthcoming in ~ May

- **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Core Quality Measures**

Sarah Woolsey, MD, Medical Director, HealthInsight Utah

Chris Queram, President and CEO of the Wisconsin Collaborative for Healthcare Quality

- Please see slides
- Core Measure Collaborative
- Health Affairs study-cost to practices, quality measurement demands
- AHIP-convened work, PQRS/ACA, PQRI
- Specialty societies drawn in to accomplish goal of alignment
- NQF / Patrick Conway-introduced work and broadened to employer and consumer groups
- Measure set merits close consideration at state/regional level
- Final rule ~ November-establish baseline of performance for future
- A number of gaps in the measure set, settings of care, pediatric measure set
- Measure set same as local
- MIPS-priority areas, outcome measures, patient/caregiver experience--will these be built in
- Chris-important to build in patient voice, patient-reported outcomes, CMS fund measure-development, care coordination, care across settings

- **Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (TCPI) & National Rural Accountable Care Consortium (NRACC) Practice Transformation Network (PTN)**

Sharon Donnelly, MS, SVP Corporate Strategy, HealthInsight

- Please see slides
- Dispensation from traditional, rural communities retain their advantages
- #s low, may not qualify
- Get them to join ACO
- Independent rural hospitals due to fee for service because of their challenges

- **Utah Physicians Quality Care (Accountable Care Organization)**

Michelle McOmber, MBA, CAE, Chief Executive Officer, Utah Medical Association

- Part of a national org, Springfield MA
- Physician-run ACO, no cost to physicians, shared-savings in 2016
- Slow start in 2015
- No downside to participants, baseline in first year, then based on Medicare baseline, exceed in subsequent years
- 1,200 providers-1,080 physicians, then NPs and PAs
- Medicare determines #s on a quarterly basis. Utah has done well in terms of the Medicare shared savings program

- Well-care and transitions visits-Utah low, not getting their patients in
- ACOs will change per Medicare, not continue with no downside risk
- PQRS reporting this year--fee for service--received 2% penalty, ACO participation=no penalty, 100% reporting, 33 quality measures
- Software program for mgmt of risk

- Breakdown of doctors? Majority are primary care.
- Minimum of Medicare beneficiaries per provider-assigned by physician, based on physicians in the ACO
- Managing risk, care, talking to patients, practitioners communicating
- Is there an initiative to improve well-care? Software program prompts, proprietary to their ACO
- Dr. Zehnder-robust software, based on Medicare claims data
- Care coordinators tracked on sites? Care coordinators can be assigned

- **Aledade** (Accountable Care Organization)

John Berneike, MD, St. Mark's Family Medicine Residency, Utah HealthCare Institute

- Another new ACO in Utah
- Many of the same details as Utah Physicians Quality Care
- Small clinics can perform just as well as larger clinics-regulatory and economy of scale problems
- ACO help around regulatory problems
- IT and HR infrastructure-harder for small clinics, economy of scale, ACO/Aledades helps overcome limitations
- Aledade limited to small primary clinics, three have signed up
- Primary care docs should be the stewards of this model
- Aledade was founded by Farzad Mostashari, formerly at CMS in HIT
- Great clinical dashboard, interfaces with EHR, clinical and cost data
- More than traditional Medicare patients to be included
- Nominal fee to join
- No minimum to join
- Multi-state
- Come back in a couple of years to discuss practice change...how is the interaction changed between physician and patient