Critical Access Hospital R&D: Investing in Value Based Care Capacity

An interactive panel discussion with CAH CEOs and Board Members.

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Plan for Today

- Orientation to health care value
 - Value-based care
 - Value-based payment
 - Success factors
 - Research and development (R&D)
- Panel discussion
- Introduction to Value-Based Care Strategic Planning Tool
- Audience Q&A







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IHI's Triple Aim, or CMS's Three Aims

Improved community health

Better patient care

Smarter spending







Triple Aim[©] Equals Value

The healthcare value equation (2006)

But we have a problem...







The Value Conundrum

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

- Fee-for-service
- Capitation
- Market
- Single payer
- What about paying for health care value?







Form Follows Finance

- How we are paid for health care determines how we deliver health care
- CMS and other payers are reforming health care payment to reward value
- Fundamentally, payment reform involves shifting financial risk from payers to providers







Value-Based Care

- Value-based care
 - Health care that improves clinical quality, increases community health, and uses resources wisely
- Value-based care capacity
 - Resources, processes, policies, infrastructure, etc. required to deliver value-based care
 - Resource examples:
 - Disease management software
 - Population health manager
 - Cost-accounting system







What is Value-Based Payment?

- Payment for one or more parts of the Three-Part Aim
 - Better care
 - Improved health
 - Lower cost
- Not payment for a "service;" that is, NOT fee-for-service







Value-Based Payment Approaches

- Category 2
 - Pay-for-performance
- Category 3
 - Accountable Care Organization
 - Care Coordination payment
 - Bundled payment
- Category 4
 - Global payment (AKA capitation)







Value-Based Payment Expansion

- 923 public and private ACOs (2017)
 - 32.4 million covered lives
 - 480 Medicare ACOs
- 57% of health care payment linked to value (2016)
- Value-based payment has legs!
 - Maybe not ACOs...
 - ACOs (etc.) are pointing the way
 - Weaning providers off FFS

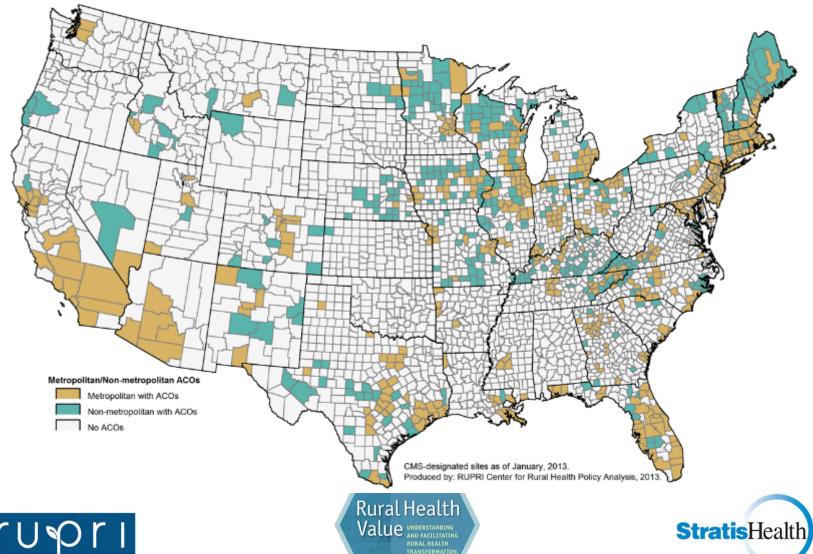
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2013 Medicare ACOs by County

County Medicare ACO Presence Continental United States



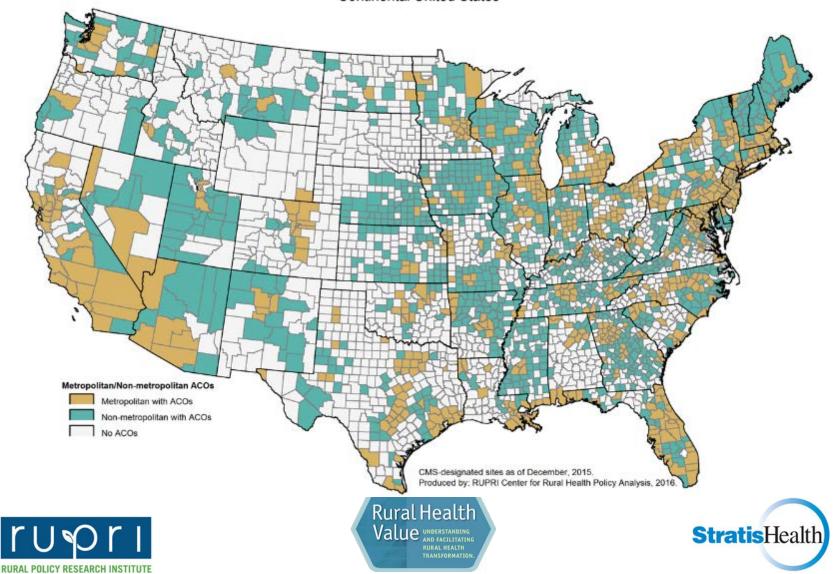






2015 Medicare ACOs by County

County Medicare ACO Presence Continental United States



Summary of ACO Success Variables

- Physician engagement and leadership, including prior activity
- Collaboration across key providers, especially physicians and hospitals
- Sophisticated information systems
- Scale for investment or an initial outside source of capital
- Effective feedback loops to clinical providers

D'Aunno, Broffman, Sparer, and Kumar. (2016). Factors That Distinguish High-Performing Accountable Care Organizations in the Medicare Shared Savings Program. Health Serv Res. doi:10.1111/1475-6773.12642







What's the Future?

- "We're likely heading toward regional integrated systems of health that provide both delivery and financing of health on an atrisk basis to populations."
- "But getting from where we are to there is a messy process."

Paul Keckley







Research and Development

- Investments designed to create new things and future success; may not realize short-term gain
- Health care: Investment in capacity to deliver value-based care, and thus receive value-based payment
- Value-based care capacities are health care organization resources, processes, policies, infrastructure, etc. required to deliver valuebased care.







Health Care R&D Investments

- Human resources
 - Additional time
 - New positions
 - Education and training
- Information technology
 - Electronic health record
 - Population and patient health modules
 - "Big Data" analytics
 - Cost accounting system
- Compliance and reporting
- Leadership and board focus







Consider the Big Questions

- What is CMS trying to accomplish through value-based payment?
- What does value-based payment mean for rural hospitals?
- How might value-based payment lessen, or deepen, rural/urban disparities?
- How should rural hospitals and their communities respond to value-based payment?







Critical Access Hospital R&D Panel

Cole Memorial Hospital Coudersport, Pennsylvania

- Ed Pitchford, CEO
- Dave Crandall, Trustee

Virginia Gay Hospital Vinton, Iowa

- Mike Riege, CEO
- Therese Foth, Trustee







Rural Health Value Project

- Project Goal
 - To facilitate rural provider and community transitions from volume-based to value-based health care and payment



- Rural Health Value resource examples
 - Value-Based Care Strategic Planning Tool
 - Physician Engagement Primer for Health Care Leaders
 - Demonstrating CAH Value: A Guide to Potential Partnerships
 - Critical Access Hospital Pro Forma for Shared Savings (ACO)
 - Engaging Your Board and Community in Value-Based Care Conversations
 - Profiles in Rural Health Care Innovation
- www.ruralhealthvalue.org







Value-Based Care Tool Purpose

- <u>Assist</u> rural healthcare organizations develop valuebased care capacity
- <u>Educate</u> leaders, directors, stakeholders
- <u>Prioritize</u> action as part of strategic planning
- Identify tools and resources to benefit rural healthcare people, places, and providers







Value-Based Care Tool Design

- An online assessment tool
- Designed to assess 121 valuebased care capacities grouped in eight categories
 - Governance and Leadership
 - Care Management
 - Clinical Care
 - Community Health
 - Patient and Family Engagement
 - Performance Improvement
 - Health Information Technology
 - Financial Risk Management







Value-Based Care Tool Capacities

- Value-based care capacities are health care organization resources, processes, infrastructure (etc.) to deliver value-based care
- VBC Tool Capacity Examples
 - HCO assesses and identifies patients at high risk for poor outcomes or high resource utilization, and assigns care managers to them.
 - For non-urgent clinic visits, pre-visit planning occurs for complex patients.
 - HCO strategic planning incorporates measurable population health goals that reflect health needs of the community.

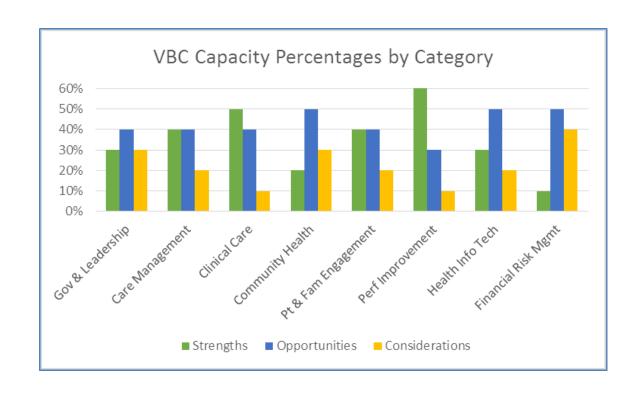






Value-Based Care Readiness Report

- Summary
- Strengths
- Opportunities
- Considerations
- Next Steps



https://cph.uiowa.edu/ruralhealthvalue/TnR/vbc/vbctool.php





