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## **Empowering COPD Patients COPD Disease Management**

# HealthCare Partners Medical Group Background

- Physician-owned Group & IPA Serving the greater Los Angeles Orange Counties
- Facilities/Physicians
  - 66 Staff Model Facilities (Primary Care, Urgent Care, Walk-In, Ambulatory Surgery, Pharmacy)
  - 753 IPA Medical Offices

## Physicians

- 235 Employed
- 975 IPA
- 290 Specialists Employed
- ~575,000 + lives
  - ~479,000 commercial, ~99,000 senior



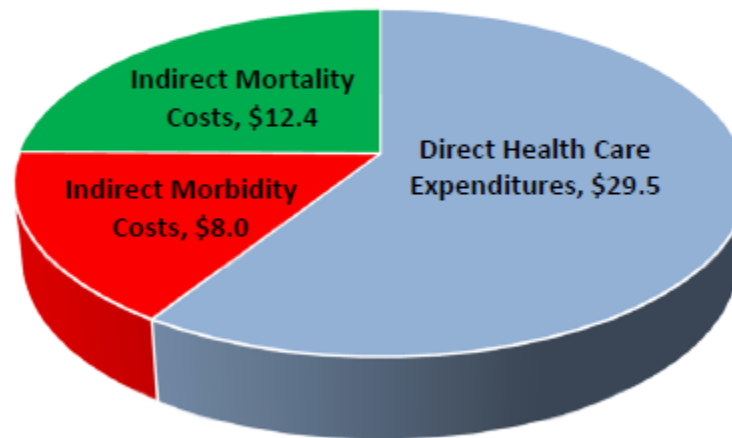
# Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

- COPD Burden: 3rd Leading Cause of Death in the US (up from the 4th and increasing)
- Economic burden of COPD is significant
  - Greater than \$2,000 nationally per member, per month
  - Inpatient hospitalization accounts for ~50% of all costs
- COPD is consistently one of the top 10 diagnosis ranked for inpatient admissions and readmissions.
  - 30 day readmission rate = 18%; 59% at 1 year
- Disease Registry of HCP COPD Patients
  - 2009: 16,642
  - 2011: 20,357
  - 2012: 25,695
  - 2013: 29,305

**Content source:** [National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Adult and Community Health](#)

# COPD Burden

**Figure 9: National Projected Annual Cost of COPD, 2010**



Source: National Heart Lung and Blood Institute. Morbidity and Mortality: 2009 Chart Book on Cardiovascular, Lung and Blood Diseases.

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# Impact of COPD Disease Management

*Self Management programs for COPD have demonstrated cost benefits*

- Especially among those previously hospitalized patients

◦ Bourbeau, *Chest*, 2006

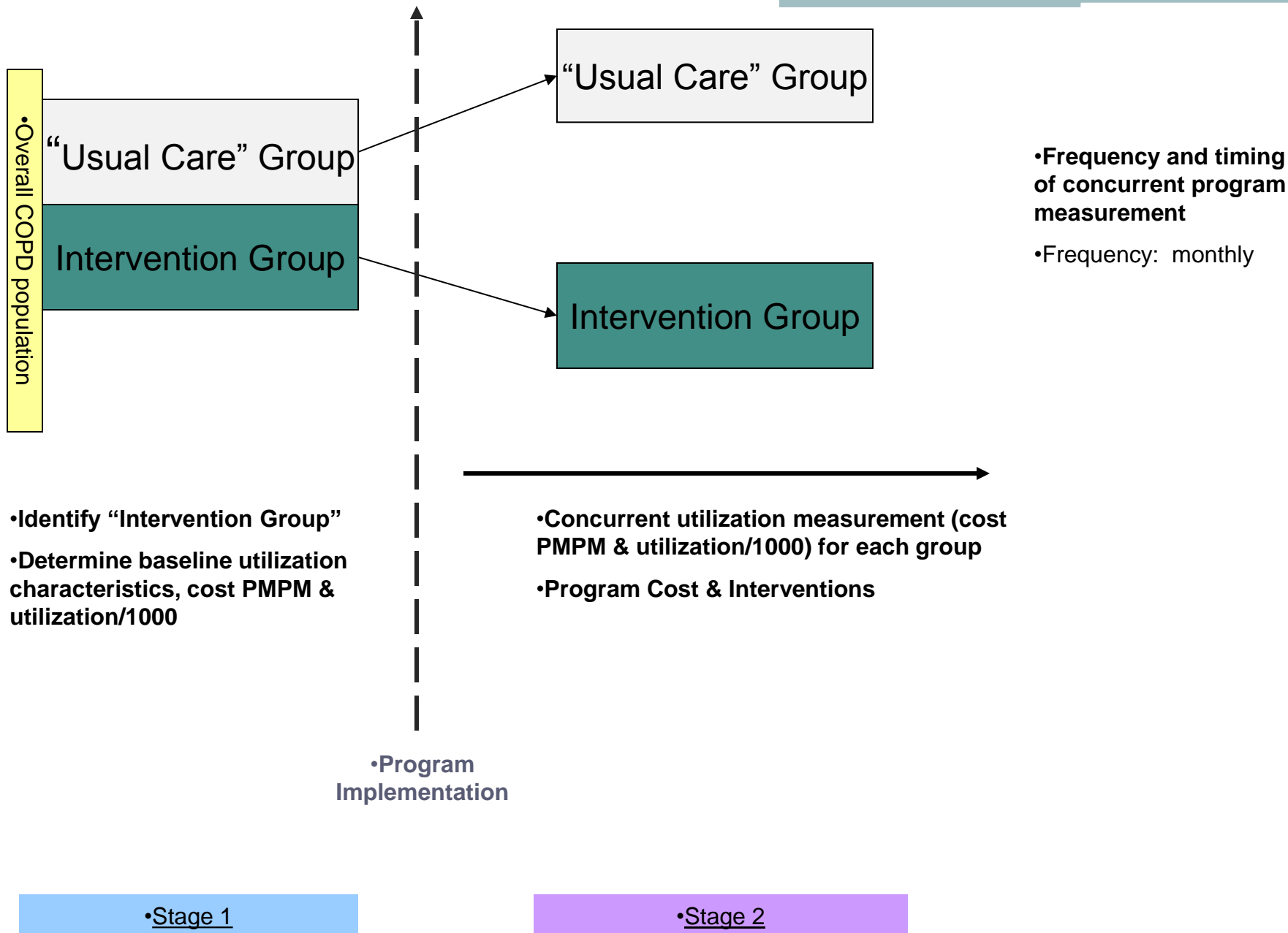
# Brief COPD Project Overview

**To implement a disease management program at HCP focused on COPD patients**

- Improve patient outcomes
- Decrease hospitalization: goal 20% reduction
- Decrease ER visits: goal 20% reduction
- Reduce cost of care: goal 10% reduction in the pmpm of study population

**GOAL:**

- Enhancing quality of life for the patient and caregiver
- Improving outcomes for the population
- Reducing unnecessary cost and waste



# Pilot Staffing

- 300 patients targeted
- 2 RN Care Managers (1:150 Patients)
- 1 Care Coordinator/Administrative Assistant (1:300)
- Wrap around coverage by TeleHealth Nursing
- Physician support and champion



# COPD Program

Examples of Things that  
can be done

## Patient Instructed to Call When Having:

- More Shortness of Breath or Wheezing
- Worsening Cough
- Increased Mucus or Sputum
- Trouble Getting Mucus Up
- Mucus Changed to Green or Yellow
- Onset of Fever
- Trouble Concentrating
- More Fatigue and Needed More Rest

Facilitate Care...Action Plan & Follow ups

# Patient Educational Material

## Learn to Breathe More Easily

### Pursed Lip Breathing

Pursed lip breathing helps you relax your lungs. It is one of the simplest ways to breathe more easily.

- Sit comfortably with muscles relaxed. Breathe in through your nose counting to 2.
- Purse your lips like you are going to whistle. Breathe out through your lips counting to 4.

It should take twice as long to exhale as it does to inhale.

### Diaphragmatic or Abdominal Breathing

This simple breathing method gives you more control over how you breathe.

- Get yourself into a comfortable position. Relax your shoulder muscles.
- Place one hand on your abdomen and the other on your chest.
- Inhale slowly through your nose. Your abdomen should rise and your chest should stay still.
- Tighten your abdominal muscles. Exhale slowly through your lips. Your chest should remain still.

## COPD Action Plan

### Managing Your COPD

#### GREEN ZONE

You feel well.

- You are able to breathe without difficulty while doing your usual activities.
- There is no change in your cough, sputum, ability to think/remember, or energy.

#### Action Plan

- **Continue** your usual activities.
- **Take** your medicine as directed by your doctor.

#### YELLOW ZONE

You feel worse.

- You have more shortness of breath, wheezing, or coughing than usual.
- Your sputum is thicker, or has turned green or brown.
- You have a fever of 100°F or more.
- You may feel forgetful or confused, and may have difficulty concentrating or sleeping.
- You feel more tired, and cannot finish your usual activities without resting.

#### Action Plan

- **Increase** the use of your "Rescue Inhaler" or Nebulizer (Albuterol or Xopenex).
- **Use** Pursed Lip Breathing and/or other energy-saving techniques.
- **Continue** to use any oral steroids (Prednisone) and/or antibiotics your doctor has prescribed.
- **Call** your doctor or care manager, or go an affiliated Urgent Care / Walk-In Center.

#### RED ZONE

You feel much worse or in danger!

- You are having trouble breathing.
- You have difficulty coughing up sputum.
- You have blood in your sputum.
- You feel drowsy or have difficulty waking up.
- You are not able to do any of your usual activities.

#### Action Plan

- **Follow** the Action Plan in the yellow zone column.
- **Call** your doctor or care manager immediately.
- **Go** to the nearest **Urgent Care / Walk-In Center** or **Hospital Emergency Room** or **call 911** if necessary.

### Follow-Up Information

My Primary Care Doctor \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Doctor's Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Appointment with this Doctor (date/time) \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Other Appointments \_\_\_\_\_

During my follow-up with my doctor, I should ask about the following:

- ① COPD Zones and Action Plans    ② Emergency Prescriptions and Rescue Inhalers    ③ Advance Directives



## Living with COPD

### Patient and Family Guide



# COPD Pilot Results

<b>Date: 8/1/08-7/31/09</b>	<b>Control</b>	<b>Intervention</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Total admits	57	40	30% reduction
Total beddays	190	115	39% reduction
Total ED visits	92	71	23% reduction
Cost of care (all paid-pmpm)	\$7,070	\$4,661	34% reduction
PCP visit	683	887	30% increase
Drug cost est.	\$402,553	\$415,154	3% increase

# Predictors of Outcome

The single best predictor of exacerbation

- HISTORY of exacerbation

*Exacerbation becomes more frequent and more severe as the severity of COPD increases (stage)*

- Eclipse Investigators, *NEJM*, 2012

There is a significant relationship between baseline FEV<sub>1</sub> and exacerbation frequency

- Eclipse Investigators, *NEJM*, 2012

# Predictors of Poor Outcome

## *Predictors of Mortality*

- Malignancy
- **Weight loss**
- CHF or pulmonary hypertension
- Depression

◦ McGhan (VA), *Chest*, 2007

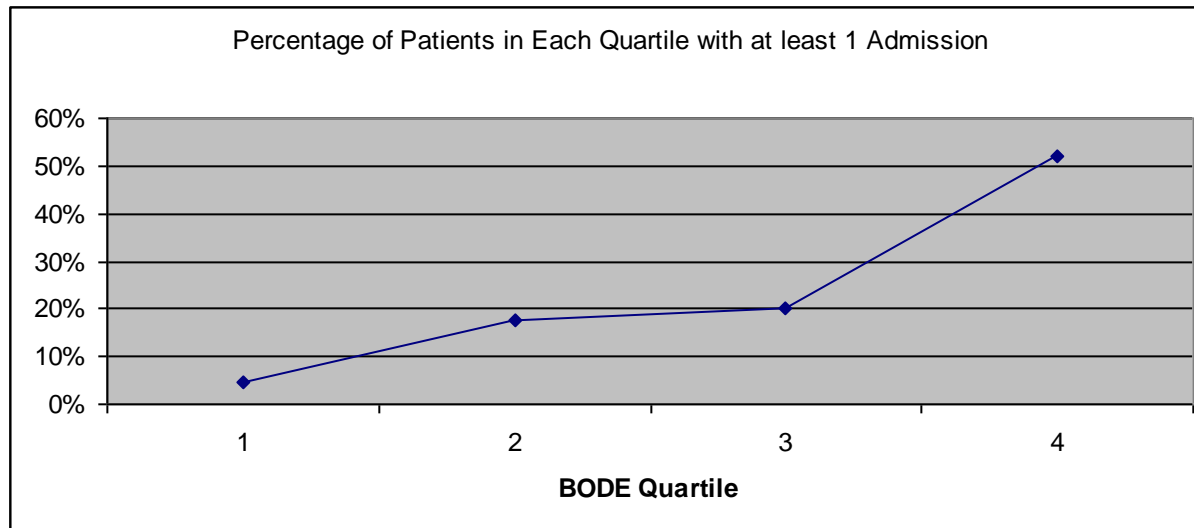
◦ Voogd, *Chest*, 2009

*One of the Strongest predictors  
of all-cause mortality...*

- **Reduced Physical Activity**

◦ Waschki, *Chest*, 2011

# BODE Stratification and Correlation to Patient Outcomes



# COPD Best Practices

- Initial face-to-face visit for assessment and education; BODE Assessment; COPD Staging
- Expedited access to clinical staff; including 24-hour triage
- Immediate intervention including emergency prescriptions and intervention based on “Zones of Symptoms”
- COPD Interactive Voice Response to monitor patient’s symptoms and symptom changes
- “Pathways” tracking process of patient self management

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## Transition of Patients with COPD Across Different Care Settings: Challenges and Opportunities for Hospitalists

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## Empowering Chronically Ill Patients and their Caregivers using Remote Monitoring Technology

### Population Characteristic And Medication Adherence Among Patients With Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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**RATIONALE:** The objective of the study is to describe the population characteristics and assess medication adherence and any factors contributing to non-adherence to inhaled controller medications in COPD patients.

**METHODS:** A retrospective analysis was conducted using a database consisting of medical and pharmacy claims from a regional managed care organization from 2003 to 2007. Selection criteria included: (1) age ≥ 45; (2) ≥ 1 diagnosis of COPD and (3) continuously eligible with the organization 6 months before and 12 months after the initiation of a long-acting COPD bronchodilator. The four categories of the initial medication(s) include 1) long-acting muscarinic antagonists (LAMA), 2) long-acting β<sub>2</sub>-agonists (LABA), 3) fixed dose combination (FDC) of LABA & inhaled corticosteroid, and 4) multiple drugs regimen, consisting of either a combination of LAMA and LABA, or LABA and FDC. Medication non-adherence was assessed using proportion of days covered (POC) < 0.8. Multivariable logistic regressions with stepwise selection were used to assess type of medication and other risk factors associated with non-adherence.

**RESULTS:** A total of 1,970 patients with a mean age of 70.2 years old, with 57.9% females were identified. The most prevalent co-morbid condition was hypertension (40.3%). Overall POC for these agents was poor (0.36) but consistent with previous studies. Patients initiated on LAMA were more likely to have higher POC (0.43) than those on LABA (0.33), or on FDC (0.34, P < 0.0001). The patients on multiple drugs

## Enhancing Cost-Effective Care with a Patient-Centric COPD Program

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### Abstract

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and the public at large, resulting in considerable at a managed care medical group to empower quality of life through enhancing cost-effective care group that imparted self-management principles,

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**Best Practices in Managing Patients With Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)**

A medical neighborhood is a community comprised of patients, informal caregivers, (family and friends) and clinicians engaged in promoting positive health behaviors while enhancing satisfaction and improving patient-driven health care. This clinical community may help



# Expanding Clinical Capacity

## **IVR Technology**

- Expand the clinical capacity of our nurses; Case Loads ~200 patients; 5% triggering follow up.
- Supports the administration of emergency prescriptions; patients recognize worsening symptoms and are taking action.
- Increasing Readmissions at > 6 months post Program closure.

## **Clinicians' Reports**

- Reports are easy to read/actionable; Nurses: “We know which symptoms the patient is experiencing.”
- Frees-up time and allows clinicians to focus on patients who are more at-risk.

# Optimizing Telehealth Operations

## **Detecting Exacerbations Sooner**

- Not intrusive: brief calls that engage patients.
- Avoided timely and complicated set up: patient uses their own phone; majority were Senior patients; majority use land-line phones, but increasing cell phone use.
- Convenient: calls occur either at noon with a back-up call early evening.
- Provides critical and actionable information for clinicians.
- Survey captures yellow zone or red zone symptoms and reinforces recognition on a regular basis.

# IVR ROI Analysis (Pilot)

<b>Analysis Pilot: 90 Enrolled Patients in IVR 2011-2012</b>	<b>Disease Management program only (Matched n=90)</b>	<b>Disease management program + IVR (n=90)</b>
Hospital admissions	48	22
Hospital Costs (\$USD)	8,529	3,909
Outpatient Clinic Visits	446	581
Outpatient Clinic Costs (\$USD)	765	996
Return on Investment (\$USD)		4,388

# COPD IVR Participation/Discharge

<b>COPD IVR</b>	<b>N= 382</b>
< 6 months	177
6 months – 1 year	78
1-2 + years	127 pts

<b>COPD IVR Discharges</b>	<b>N= 137</b>
Opted Out	56
Deceased	36
Left HCP/Left Area	9
Hospice	26
SNF Long Term Care	1
Phone Disconnected	5
Needs Live Calls/Care Manager Changed status	4

# Comparison: COPD IVR Program vs COPD Program Alone

Date:	2012 Program	2012 IVR
Admits/1000	385	146
ALOS/1000	4	3

# Improving Recruiting of Patients

## COPD Symptom Phone Survey

Managing Your Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease



To properly manage your COPD, your Care Coordinator will personally call you to monitor your general health. We also have free, automated phone survey monitoring. These weekly surveys help us to identify Red and Yellow Zone symptoms and stop a COPD event before it starts.

**GREEN ZONE** You feel well.

**YELLOW ZONE** You feel worse.

**RED ZONE** You feel much worse or in danger!

### It's Easy! Here's How it Works:

1. Every Monday and/or Thursday, you will receive a phone call between noon – 1 pm. If we are unable to reach you, we will call you again between 6 – 7 pm.
2. After you say "hello," the automated phone system will begin the COPD Symptom Survey.
3. The survey has nine questions. To save time, you may press the response number that best fits your current symptoms at any point during the survey.
4. It's fine if you miss a survey call. We know that you may not always be available at the time we call.

Look on the other side of this flyer for a list of the COPD Symptom Phone Survey questions and response options. ➔



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## COPD Symptom Phone Survey Questions

- 1 Breathing in general:**  
**Press 1** if you have no trouble breathing.  
**Press 2** if you have more coughing, shortness of breath, or wheezing than usual.  
**Press 3** if you are having a lot of trouble breathing when at rest.
- 2 Breathing while eating:**  
**Press 1** if you can eat without being out of breath.  
**Press 2** if you are slightly out of breath when eating.  
**Press 3** if you are breathless when eating.
- 3 Feet and ankles:**  
**Press 1** if you have no foot or ankle swelling.  
**Press 2** if you have some swelling in your feet or ankles.  
**Press 3** if you have a lot of swelling in your feet or ankles.
- 4 Weight:**  
**Press 1** if you have not gained weight this week.  
**Press 2** if you have gained 2 to 4 pounds over the last week.  
**Press 3** if you have gained 5 or more pounds over the last week.
- 5 Sleep:**  
**Press 1** if you are sleeping through the night without problem.  
**Press 2** if you are waking up and unable to fall back to sleep 1 to 3 nights a week.  
**Press 3** if you are waking up and unable to fall back to sleep more than 3 nights a week, or woke up gasping for air.
- 6 Sputum/mucus:**  
**Press 1** if your mucus is clear.  
**Press 2** if your mucus is thick or stickier than usual, or your mucus is turning yellow or green.  
**Press 3** if you are having a lot of trouble coughing up mucus, or you have blood in your mucus.
- 7 Ability to focus:**  
**Press 1** if you can think clearly.  
**Press 2** if you are having trouble concentrating.  
**Press 3** if you are very confused or have slurred speech.
- 8 Appetite:**  
**Press 1** if you are eating your normal amount.  
**Press 2** if you are eating a little less than usual.  
**Press 3** if you are eating much less than usual.
- 9 Energy level:**  
**Press 1** if you are not tired doing your usual activities.  
**Press 2** if you are tired or cannot finish your usual activities without getting tired.  
**Press 3** if you are very tired and cannot do any activities.

Questions?  
Call your  
Care Coordinator at  
**310.354.4336.**

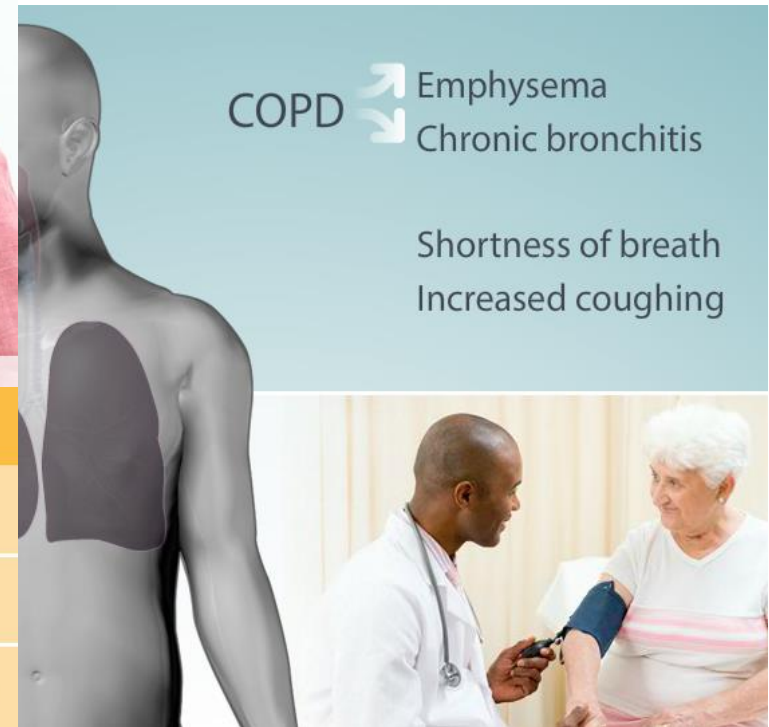
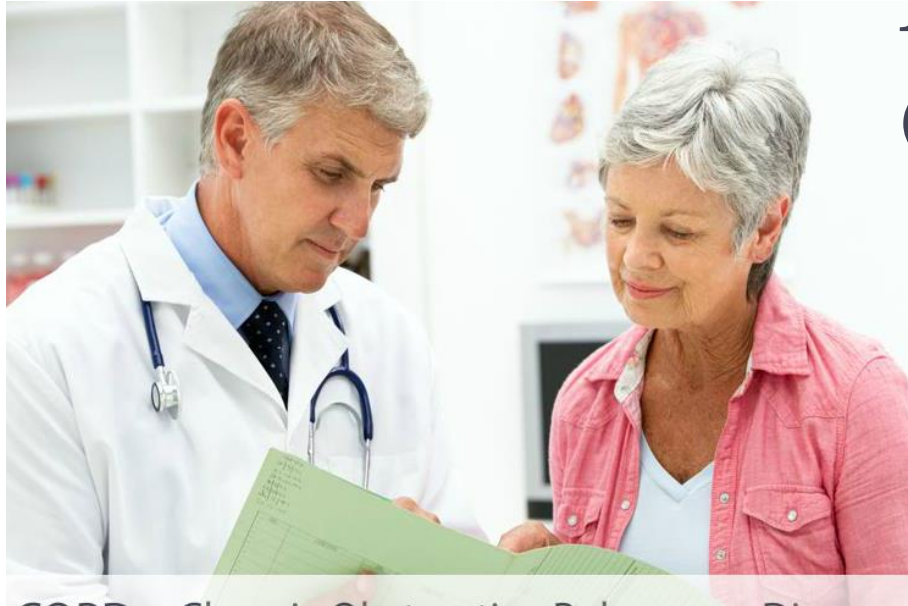


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# Future Plans and Diffusion

- Expansion has included CHF and Spanish IVR for both CHF and COPD (2012); Currently 382 patients enrolled (COPD) and expanding and 152 CHF and expanding
- De-centralize IVR deployment (allow Care Teams to enroll patients)
- Launching in other geographical areas (Florida, Nevada)
- White papers, intervention surveys, operational streamlining (“what’s working”, “what’s not working”, “sharing best practices”)

# Education at Care Team Sites



## COPD Flare-Up

- Sputum changes
- Shortness of breath
- Cold/flu, weather, pollution
- Mood changes, low energy





# COPD Educational Vignettes



# COPD Educational Vignettes

- Deploy on iPads; finalizing infrastructure build to download to iPads.
- Launch at selected Pilot Care Team sites.
  - **Expect to have challenges in monitoring the iPads and instituting the use of the iPads in the Care Team sites.**
  - **Concerns about cleaning and disinfecting iPads.**

# Challenges/Opportunities

- HCP has COPD educators, but not enough to individually address all 20,000+ COPD patients.
  - **Focus “high risk” hospitalized.**
- Patients do not all fully understand COPD and what to watch for.
  - **Not all referred for education will take advantage of educational offerings.**
- Planning for a New Strategy to focus on Symptom Monitoring and COPD management.
  - **Address these patients in the clinics/expand to more patients.**

# Best Practices in COPD: *The University of Michigan Health System's COPD Journey*



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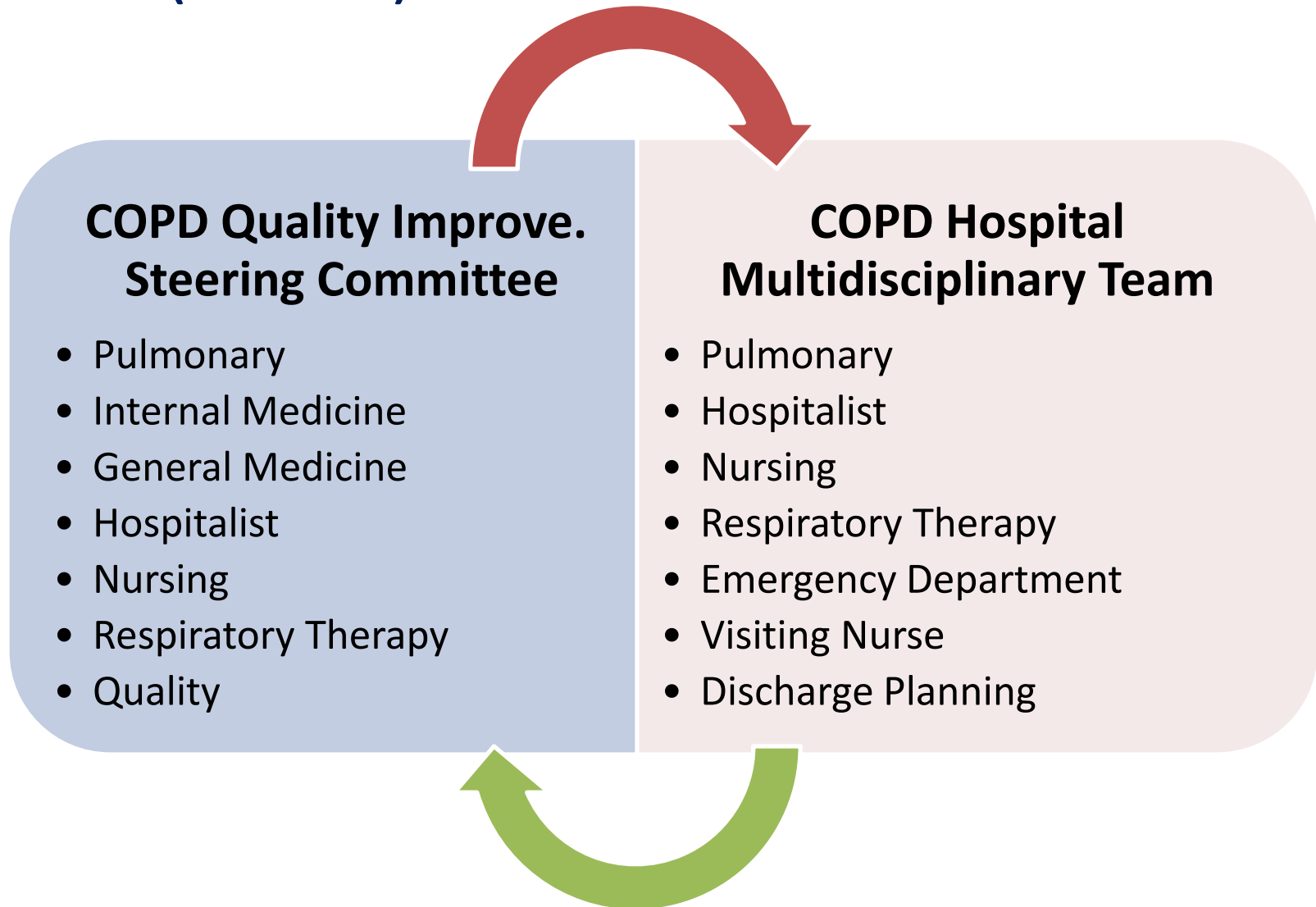
# What is COPD?

- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a chronic, progressive disease of the lungs
  - Emphysema / Chronic Bronchitis
  - Primarily caused by smoking or exposure to air pollutants
  - 50% of patients with poor pulmonary function tests are unaware they have COPD
- 4th leading cause of death in the US
  - 15 million Americans report being diagnosed with COPD
  - Projected U.S. COPD 2010 cost was \$50 billion

# COPD Treatment Options

Medications	Bronchodilators
	Corticosteroids
	Antibiotics (for infections)
Life-style changes	Stop smoking
	Nutrition Counseling
Advanced Treatments	Supplemental Oxygen
	Pulmonary Rehabilitation
	Lung Reduction Surgery
Palliative Care	

# University of Michigan Health System (UMHS) COPD Teams Structure





# Project Overview: Initial Goals

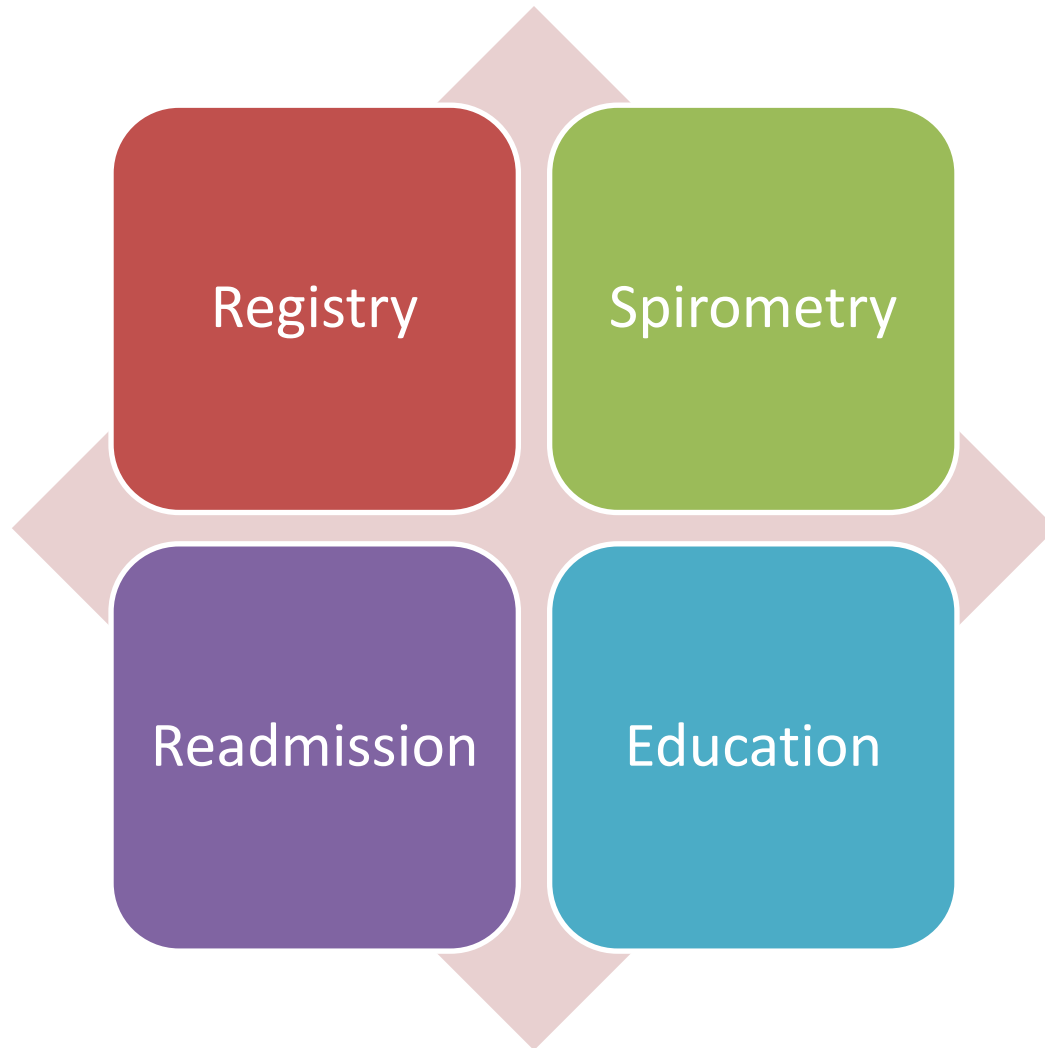


- Improve the quality of care provided to COPD patients
- Maximize the quality of life of patients with COPD
- Reduce rates of emergency department visits and hospitalizations for patients with COPD

# Project Overview: Specific Goals

- Increase number of patients with spirometrically confirmed diagnosis
- Improve the quality of spirometry performed in primary care clinics
- Track quality metrics for COPD patients
- Standardize COPD education materials across the health system
- Increase collaboration between primary and specialty clinicians caring for COPD patients

# Project Overview: *Four Focus Areas*



*GOAL: Establish a COPD patient registry*



# Creating a COPD Registry

- Define criteria for entry to registry
  - Established patients (2 visits within 2 years); age  $\geq 40$
  - Diagnosis of COPD
  - Documentation of spirometry (FEV1/FVC  $< 70\%$ )
  - Chart reviews of different ‘buckets’

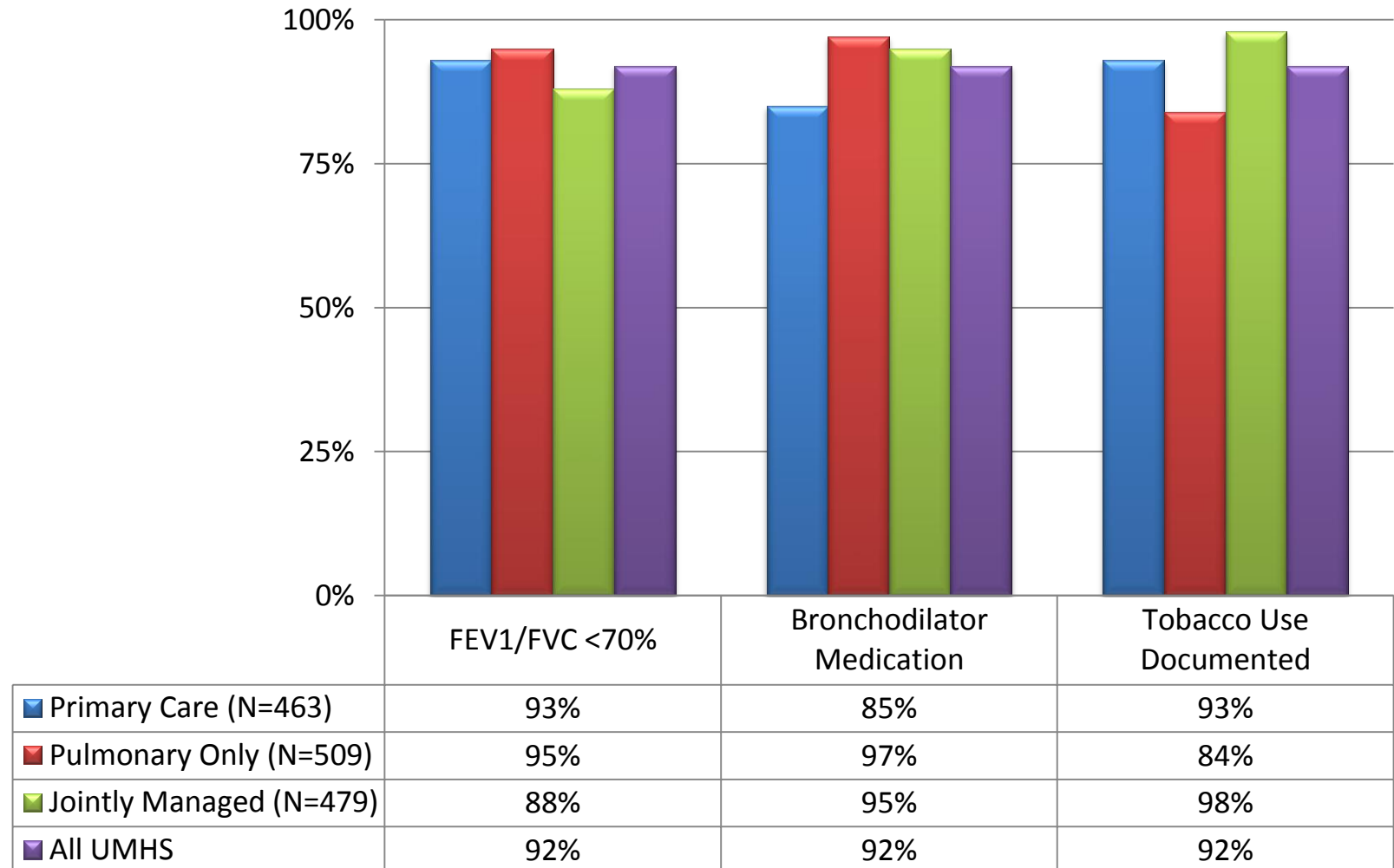
Description	Number
Measurable COPD patients that meet registry criteria	1639
COPD problem list diagnosis and NO confirming spirometry	843
COPD problem list diagnosis, NO confirming spirometry, <u>and</u> a ‘rule-out’ condition (BOOP, Lung Cancer, etc.)	112
TOTAL PATIENTS	2594

# UMHS COPD Registry\*

#	Measure Name	Overall %
1	Spirometry performed	100%
2	Current PFT FEV1/FVC < 70%	92%
3	Bronchodilator prescribed	92%
4	Immunizations - Pneumococcal	75%
5	Immunizations - Influenza**	NA
6	Tobacco Status Documented	92%
7	Current Tobacco User	20%

\* Report from May 2013; 1631 patients age ≥40 yrs.

# Variation on Performance by Specialty, March 2013



# Variation in COPD Performance by Clinic, March 2013

- The data below are for 4 Pulmonary clinics

	N	Spirometry	FEV1/FVC < 70%	Bronchodilator Medication	Immunizations <sup>1</sup>		Tobacco Use Documented	Current Tobacco User
					Influenza	Pneumococcal		
Clinic 1	257	100%	89%	96%	NA	NA	95%	16%
Clinic 2	102	100%	93%	95%	NA	NA	85%	11%
Clinic 3	629	100%	93%	97%	NA	NA	90%	13%
Clinic 4	988	100%	92%	96%	NA	NA	91%	14%
UM Total	1,631	100%	92%	92%	NA	NA	92%	20%
Goal		NA	NA	90%	82%	82%	90%	NA

*Green is above target;  
red is below target*



# UM COPD Registry: *Physician Level Report*

Patients with any FEV1/FVC < 70% within the past 10 years or have been clinically validated by chart review. (included in the measured rates above)

CPI	Patient Name	Age (years)	PSL COPD Diagnosis^	Most Recent PFT Results:*			On Asthma Registry^	Broncho dilator Medication	Pneumo ccocal Vaccine	Tobacco Status Documented	Current Tobacco User
				Date	FEV1 % Predicted	FEV1/FVC					
			Y	6/5/2008	32	44	68		Y	Y	Y
				10/8/2010	38	62	89		Y	Y	
			Y	6/22/2006	65	58	82		Y	Y	
			Y	6/24/2008	87	68	94		Y	Y	Y
			Y	10/11/2010	37	37	50		Y	Y	
				2/22/2011	64	68	93		Y	Y	
			Y	3/19/2009	71	65	85		Y	Y	Y
			Y	3/20/2008	55	40	54		Y	Y	Y
			Y	8/11/2009	59	64	97		Y	Y	
			Y	12/9/2009	92	73	102		Y	Y	Y
			Y	7/6/2010	82	69	93		Y	Y	Y

Patients with most recent FEV1/FVC >= 70% but have been billed for COPD and/or have a PSL diagnosis of COPD.

CPI	Patient Name	Age (years)	PSL COPD Diagnosis^	Most Recent PFT Results:*			On Asthma Registry^	Broncho dilator Medication	Pneumo ccocal Vaccine	Tobacco Status Documented	Current Tobacco User
				Date	FEV1 % Predicted	FEV1/FVC					
				6/3/2008	112	74	105		Y	Y	
				7/23/2009	92	76	113		Y	Y	
			Y	7/11/2007	71	79	106		Y	Y	
			Y	1/27/2009	94	80	121		Y	Y	Y
			Y	5/30/2008	85	70	100		Y	Y	

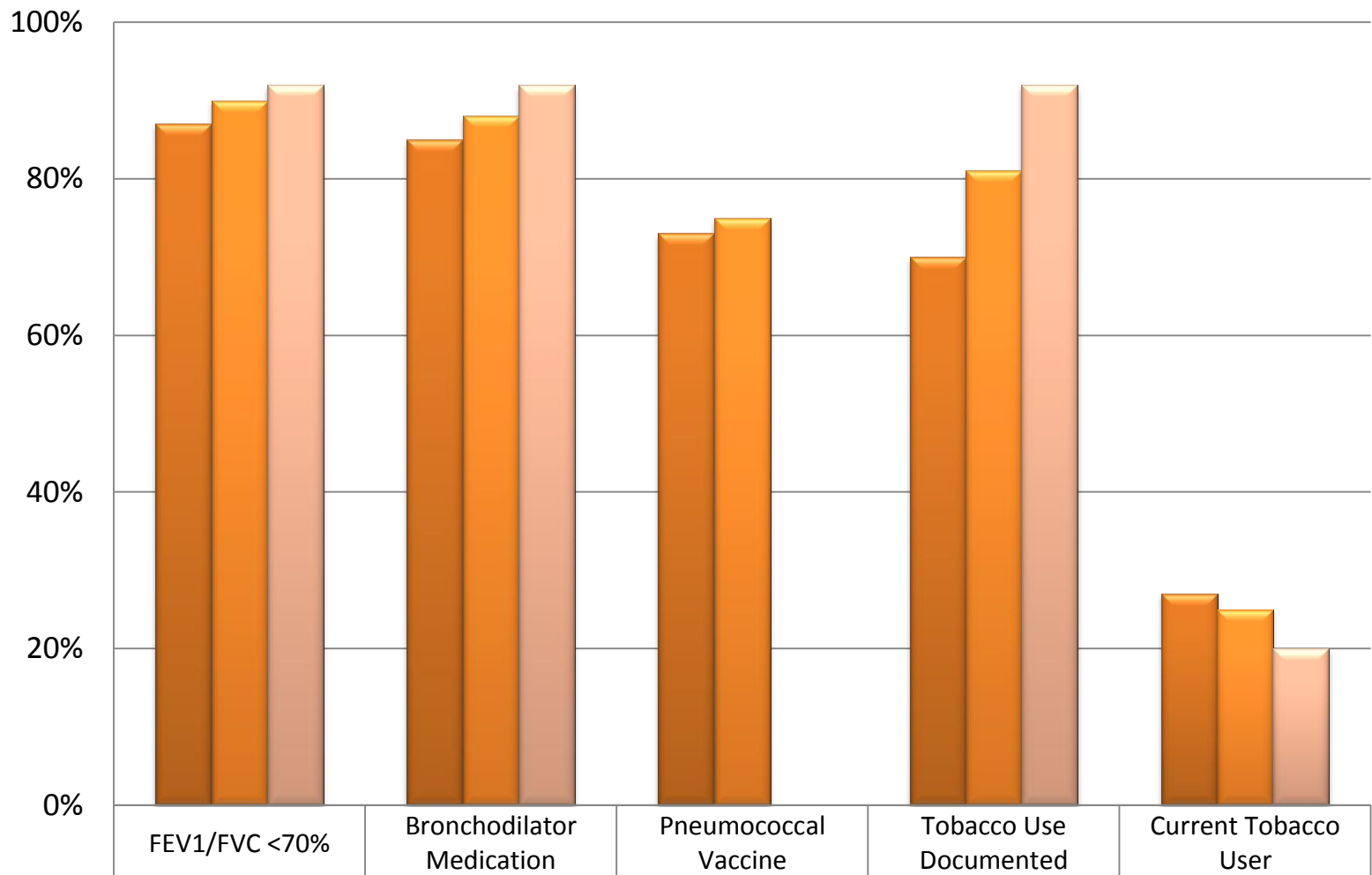
Patients with no PFT results but have been billed for COPD and/or have a PSL diagnosis of COPD.

CPI	Patient Name	Age (years)	PSL COPD Diagnosis^	Most Recent PFT Results:*			On Asthma Registry^	Broncho dilator Medication	Pneumo ccocal Vaccine	Tobacco Status Documented	Current Tobacco User
				Date	FEV1 % Predicted	FEV1/FVC					
			Y					Y	Y	Y	Y
			Y					Y	Y	Y	
			Y					Y	Y	Y	

# UM Point of Care Report

<b>ACTIONABLE REPORT FOR:</b>								AGE: 64		<b>Registry:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asthma <input type="checkbox"/> COPD* <input type="checkbox"/> CAD/Stroke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> CHF <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Dz* <input type="checkbox"/> Controlled Substance*								<b>Future Appointments</b> MED-EHG    08/04/10				
Appt Date/Time:      Clinic:      MED-EHG				Today's Provider:				Patient's PCP:														
<b>Labs / Vitals</b>	Weight		BP		Lab Results													Other Tests				
	Date	LBS	Date	BP	Date	A1c	Chol	Trig	HDL	LDLC	UMA	URPT	Drug	EGFR	Scr	Na	K	Date	EF	NYHA		
	04/29/10	258	05/27/10	110/68	05/27/10		171		47	80				84	0.7	135	4.6	04/14/08	59			
	04/16/09	276	04/29/10	110/82	02/16/10	9.0	248		51	150								01/30/98	55			
	02/24/09	278	03/05/10	108/70	11/11/09	7.7	274		53	174				77	0.8	138	4.4					
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	07/21/08	278	11/09/09	128/72	10/05/09										0.7	135	4.7					
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			07/28/09	104/71	10/02/09										0.9	136	4.1	<b>Calculated*</b>				
			06/30/09	110/71	10/01/09										0.8	139	4.3				Date	CV Risk
			06/16/09	132/58	09/30/09							NEG			0.7	138	5.0					
			06/09/09	92/58	09/28/09									90	0.7	140	4.2					
		05/22/09	122/62	09/25/09							NEG											
		04/30/08	164/80	07/21/08	8.7																	
<b>Recommended Action Items</b>	Labs:		[ ] A1c    [ ] Urine Microalbumin																			
	Exams/Tests:		[ ] Diabetic eye exam																			
	Medications:		[ ] ACEI/ARB																			
	Education:		[ ] Asthma action plan Comment:																			
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	Discuss/Referral:																					
	*Item has not been programmed yet. This report is not intended to replace the medical record. The patient's PCP is assigned based on an algorithm and so may be different from the one listed in the medical record. To provide feedback to the FGP Quality Management Program (QMP) regarding this report please e-mail QMP-Feedback@med.umich.edu																					

# Improvement in Performance, 2011 –2013



■ March 2011 (n=1845)	87%	85%	73%	70%	27%
■ March 2012 (n=1724)	90%	88%	75%	81%	25%
■ March 2013 (n=1631)	92%	92%		92%	20%

# Assessment & Screening Tools

- COPD Screener
- CAT (COPD Assessment Tool)
- EXACT-Pro (Exacerbations of Chronic Pulmonary Disease Tool)
- Others we have not yet explored
  - Clinical COPD Questionnaire
  - Modified Medical Research Council Baseline Dyspnea Index
  - St. George's Respiratory Questionnaire

**COPD Population Screener™ (COPD-PS)**

This survey asks questions about you, your breathing, and what you are able to do. To complete the survey, mark an X in the box that best describes your answer for each question below.

1. During the past 4 weeks, how much of the time did you feel short of breath?

None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	Most of the time	All of the time
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

2. Do you ever cough up any "stuff," such as mucus or phlegm?

No, never	Only with occasional colds or chest infections	Yes, a few days a month	Yes, most days a week	Yes, every day
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

3. Please select the answer that best describes you in the past 12 months. I do less than I used to because of my breathing problems.

Strongly disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly agree
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

4. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your ENTIRE LIFE?

No	Yes	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2

5. How old are you?

Age 35 to 49	Age 50 to 59	Age 60 to 69	Age 70+
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

**How to score the survey:** In the spaces below, write the number that is next to your answer for each of the questions. Add the numbers to get the total score. The total score can range from 0 to 10.


#1 + #2 + #3 + #4 + #5 = TOTAL SCORE

**If your total score is 5 or more, your breathing problems may be caused by chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). COPD is often referred to as chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema and is a serious lung disease that slowly gets worse over time. While COPD cannot be cured, it is treatable.**

Please share the completed survey with your clinician. The higher your score, the more likely you are to have COPD. Your clinician can help evaluate your breathing problems by performing a simple breathing test, also known as spirometry.

**If your total score is between 0 and 4, and you experience problems with your breathing, please share this survey with your clinician. Your clinician can help evaluate any type of breathing problem.**

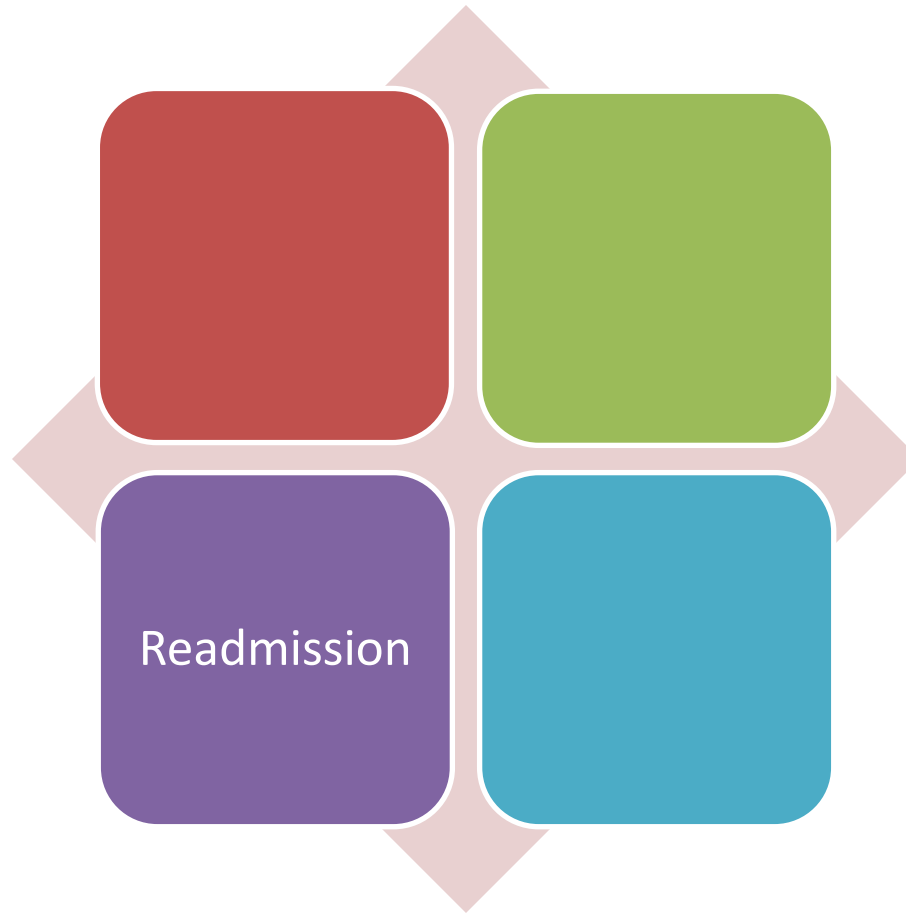
The COPD Alliance advocates clinician use of this, and other, validated screeners for the early detection of COPD in at risk populations.

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GOAL: *Decrease COPD readmissions*



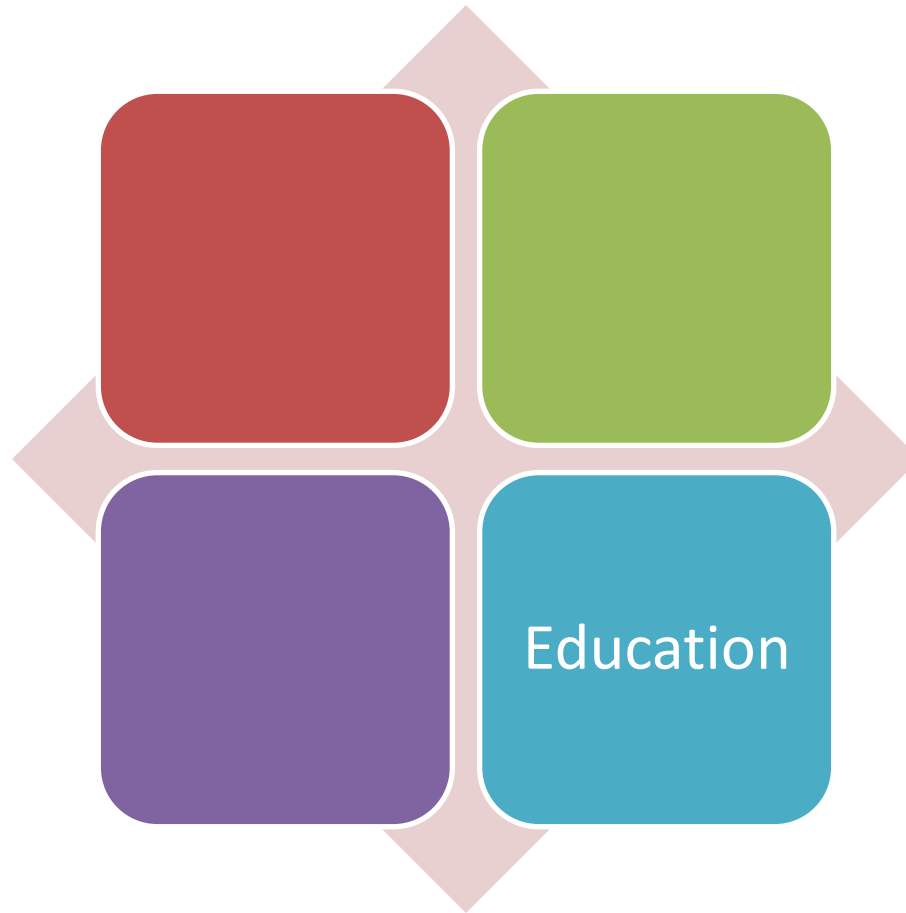
# Factors Contributing to Readmissions

- Review charts of patients readmitted with COPD
  - Admission Source
  - Discharge Disposition
  - Completion of discharge planning during hospitalization
  - Follow up appointments in pulmonary & primary care
- Factors contributing to readmission
  - Chronic problems from comorbidities
  - On home oxygen / bipap
  - Psychosocial or psychiatric issues
  - Non-compliance with treatment

# Assessment Tools

- Looking for a way to assess patients to determine if ready for discharge in comparison to baseline status
- Little concrete physiological numbers in COPD to determine if patient has improved from admission
- Literature has not determined that there is one tool for this purpose

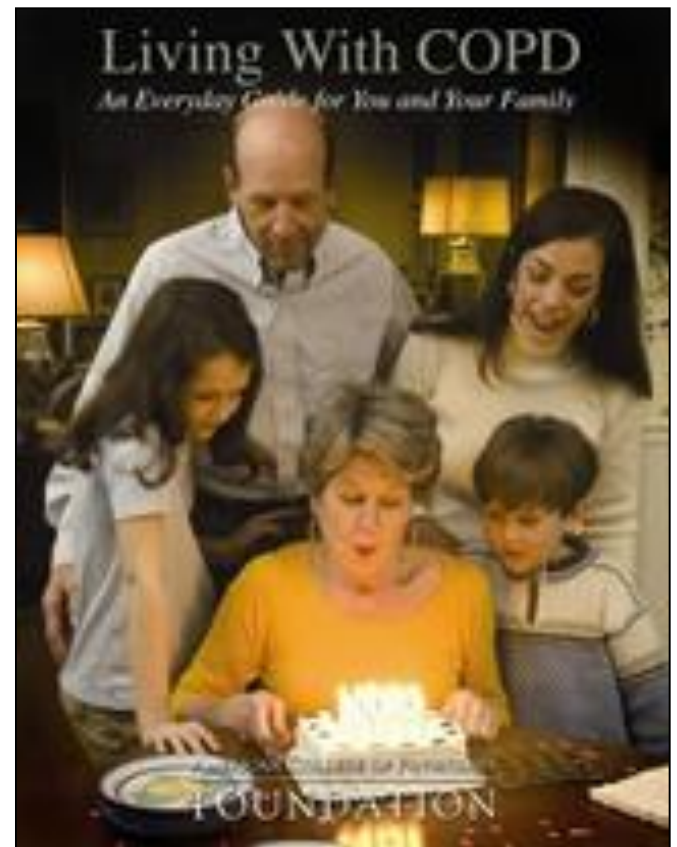
# GOAL: *Select Education Materials*





# Educational Materials Selected

- Goal of standardization across all care settings
- American College of Physicians 'Living With COPD' book is the UMHS COPD book
- Available in English and Spanish



# Educational Materials Selected

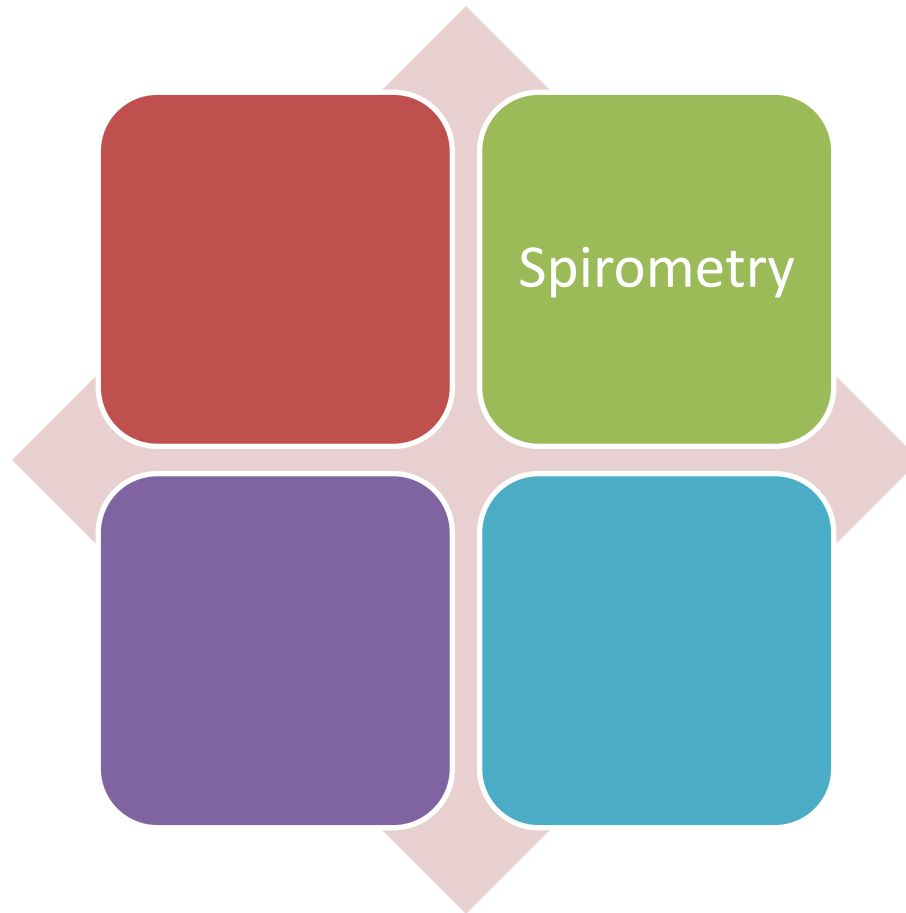


- Supplemental Materials from the COPD Foundation
  - Slim Skinny Reference Guides® for patients
  - Big Fat Reference Guide® for patients and clinicians
  - Clinician pocket cards

# Future Educational Plans

- Inservices on COPD and inhaler device training to primary care, inpatient units, and staff training groups
- Consider creating a COPD e-learning module for staff
- Assure all materials are available on internal patient education clearinghouse

GOAL: *Provide quality spirometry in  
primary care*



# Spirometry Improvement Project

- Goals:
  - Standardize spirometry in primary care clinics
  - Improve access to testing
  - Educate clinicians how to use spirometry in clinic settings
- Current State
  - 4 types of spirometers with no software
  - Very few primary care providers knowledgeable on interpretation and use of spirometry
  - No standard educational program

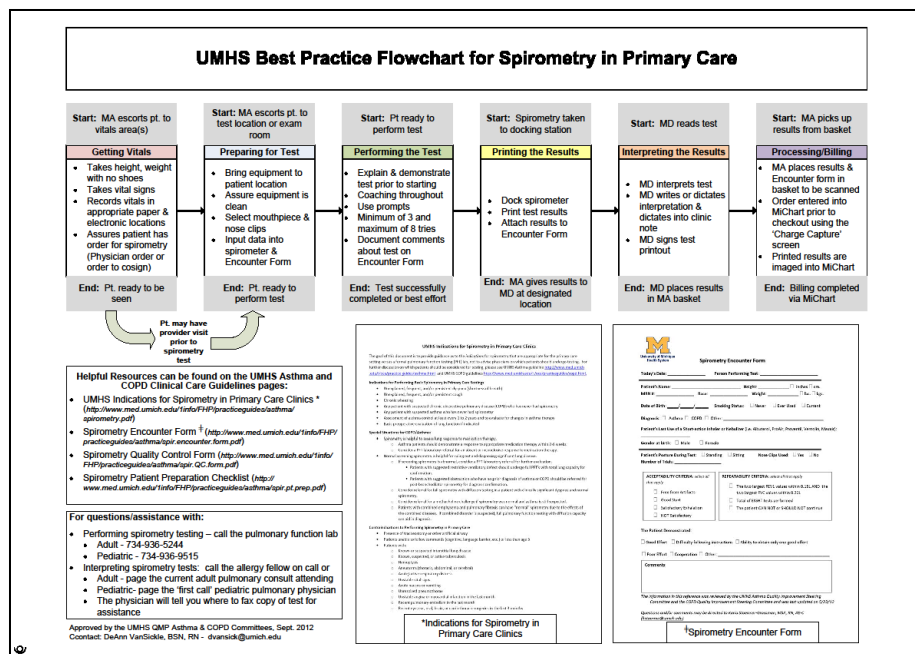
# Spirometry 360

- Awarded grant to participate in National Asthma Control Initiative Champions Spirometry 360® “Train the Trainer” Pilot Program
- Provided access to the University of Washington spirometry educational program for coaches and providers
- 6 Pilot Sites received training, over reading services and support to incorporate spirometry into their primary care practices



# Spirometry Improvement Work

- Created online education materials for coaches and providers based on Spirometry 360® materials
- Regularly communicated tips and performance reports from over reader system to clinics
- Conducted “Go & See” visits to five sites to determine best practice in workflow
- Produced flowchart for distribution

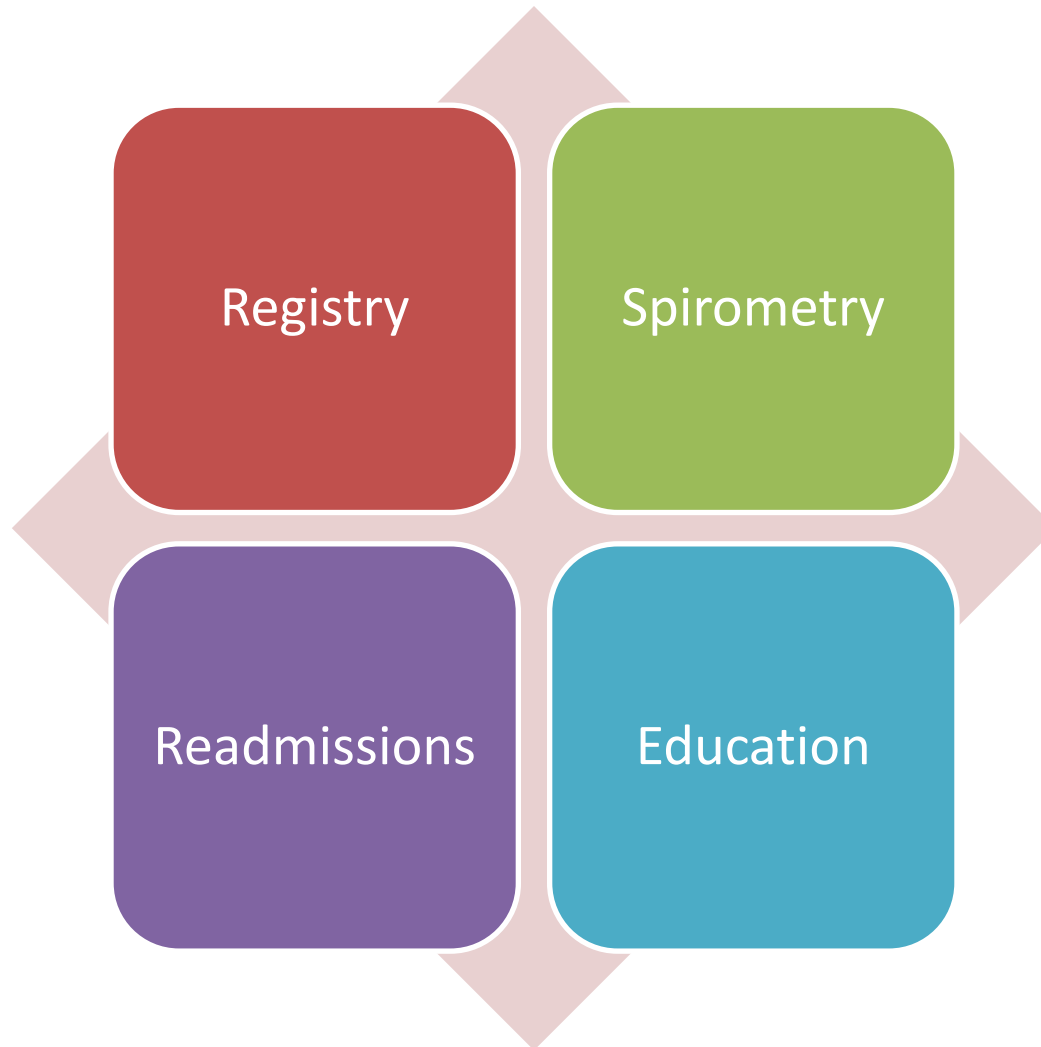


# Spirometry Results and Follow-up

- Insufficient volumes of spirometry
  - Needed 30/clinic /month ➔ Achieved 3/clinic/month
- Poor accuracy of testing
  - Goal was 80% pass rate ➔ Achieved 52% pass rate
- New spirometry model needed
  - Traveling pulmonary function tech
  - Bring spirometer and laptop to site



# Project Overview: Summary



# Best Practices at UMHS



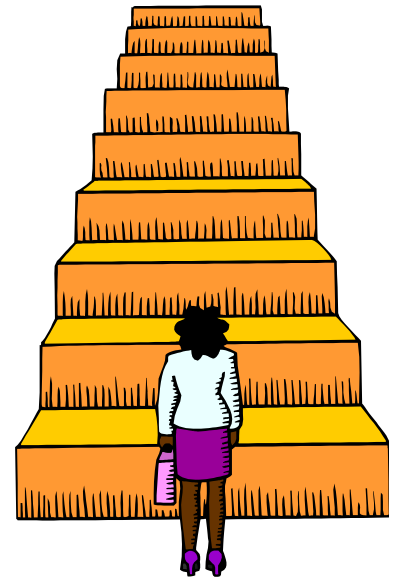
- Multidisciplinary teams representing entire health system
- Robust data and research support
  - Registry / Clinicians involved in research
- Evidence-based interventions
- Willingness to experiment
- Quality improvement support
  - Project manager-type role

# Challenges & Lessons Learned

- Important to hold regular team meetings
- Data is a necessary part of decision making
- Involve all levels of staff from clinical settings
- Patience with implementation of an electronic medical record

# Next Steps

- Improve data pull from EMR to registry
- Utilization of screening tools in ambulatory care
- Study of inpatient tool for assessment of readiness for discharge
- Pilot new spirometry delivery model



**QUESTIONS?**

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