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# Sharp HealthCare ACO

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# Sharp ACO Collaborations



- Commercial PPO Patients
- Sharp Community Medical Group (“SCMG”)

- Commercial PPO Patients
- SCMG and Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group (“SRSMG”)

- Pioneer ACO
- Medicare Fee-for-Service Beneficiaries
- Sharp HealthCare, SCMG, SRSMG

# Goal of CMS ACO Program

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CMS Shared Savings Program established in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (“PPACA”) with the goal to provide:

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***Three-  
Part  
Aim***

1. Better care for individuals
  2. Better health for populations
  3. Lower growth in Medicare expenditures
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# Pioneer ACO Footprint



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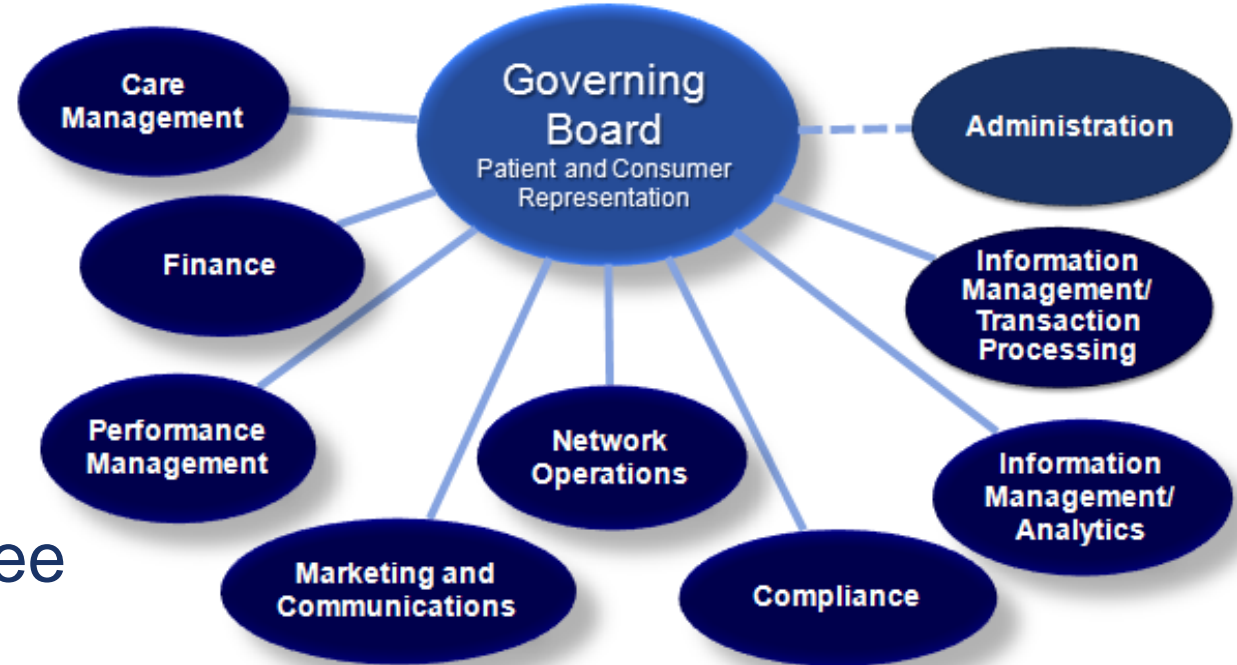
# Sharp HealthCare ACO



- Began January 1, 2012
- Collaboration between Sharp HealthCare, SCMG and SRSMG
  - All SRSMG physicians, most SCMG physicians (includes Graybill), and all Sharp hospitals
- 32,000 aligned beneficiaries
  - 74% with SCMG
  - 26% with SRSMG

# What Have We Accomplished?

- Created corporation
- Named leadership team
- Developed subcommittee structure
- Established provider and supplier network
- Formed governing body, including consumer advocate and patient representative



# What Have We Accomplished?

- Published press and marketing materials and created initial beneficiary engagement tools
  - Web [www.sharp.com/medicare-aco](http://www.sharp.com/medicare-aco)
  - ACO Hotline 858-499-2666
- Mailed notification letters and data sharing forms
  - Provided opt-out preference list to CMMI (2.6%)
- Developed 2012-2013 implementation plan
- ***Received and analyzed three years' claims data (2009 – 2011) as well as monthly claims through July 2012 for 97.4% of our aligned beneficiaries***

# What Have We Learned?

- PCP Alignment (82%)
  - 69% of beneficiaries (22,326) saw a Sharp PCP in 2012 or 2011
  - 13% (4,166) saw a Sharp PCP in 2010
- Unaligned Beneficiaries (18%)
  - 12% (3,691) haven't seen a PCP in over three years
  - 2% (500) haven't seen a Sharp PCP since 2009
  - 3% (835) opted out of data sharing
  - 2% (499) saw a non-Sharp PCP (*average costs per beneficiary are 30% higher than beneficiaries aligned to a Sharp PCP*)





# What Have We Learned?

- Identified Opportunities
  - 63% of 2011 inpatient costs (\$78 million) originate from the ED
  - 51% of total Part A claims costs for 2011 (\$123 million) are out-of-network
  - Skilled nursing bed days per 1,000 were 2,608 in 2011 compared to a 5% sample of Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries in San Diego County of 1,842 (42% higher)
    - *Medicare Advantage patients at 1,439 (81% higher)*
  - 150 beneficiaries had 5 or more ED visits in 2011 without a corresponding admit (*one beneficiary had 53*)
  - 100 beneficiaries had 5 or more hospital admits in 2011 (*one beneficiary had 17*)
  - 3.5% of beneficiaries generate 21% of Part A paid claims

# What Are We Doing About It?

- Patient Engagement
  - Outbound calls (primary care physician assignment and assistance scheduling first appointment)
  - Communication plan (health reminders, senior health resources)
  - *Sharp Nurse Connection* (after-hours nurse triage)
  - Sharp hospitals *Daily Census Reports* (utilized by hospitalists, case managers, and care teams)
  - Information Card (care coordination if admitted outside of Sharp)
- Identified Opportunities
  - Post-discharge case management
  - Launch of skilled nursing program (preferred network and addition of SNF'ist)

# Aim and Primary Drivers

Best Health, Best Care, Best Experience



Care Delivery Models



Care Coordination

Patient Engagement



Information Technology and Analytics

Alignment of Incentives



# **Tomorrow's Health Care Today**

## **Accountable Care Models**

**The Journey towards an ACO**  
**The Dartmouth-Hitchcock Experience**

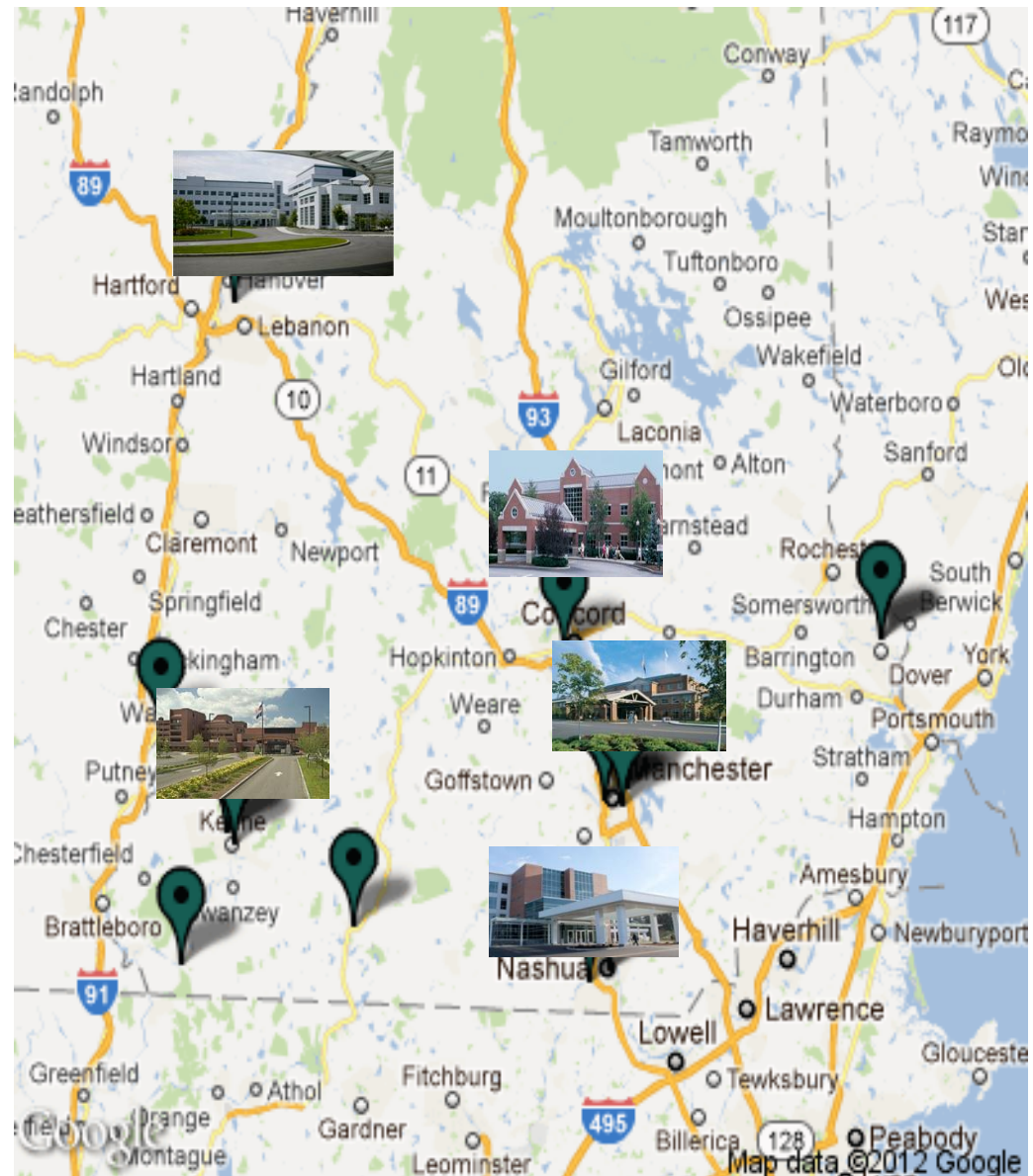
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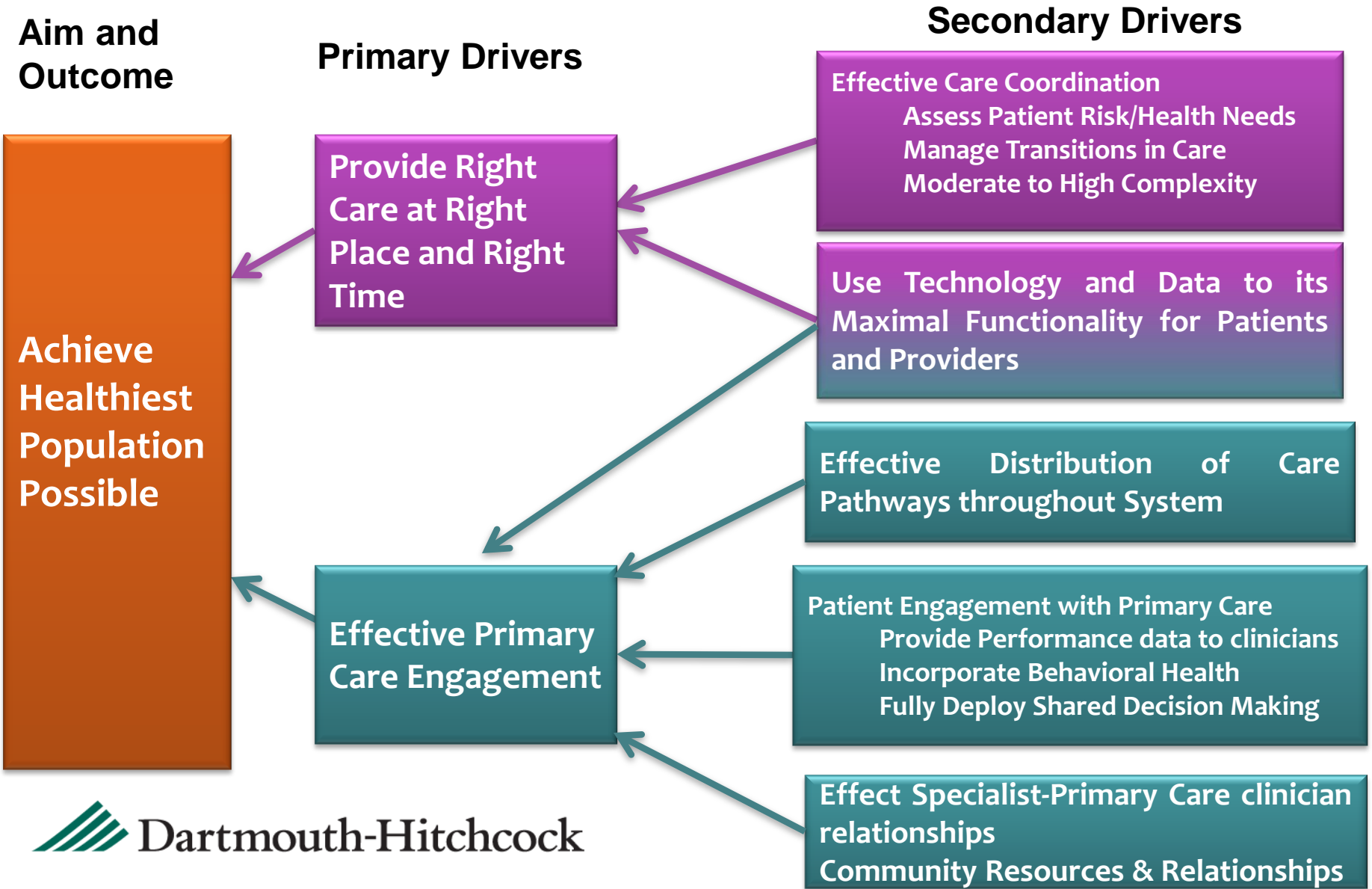
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# Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health

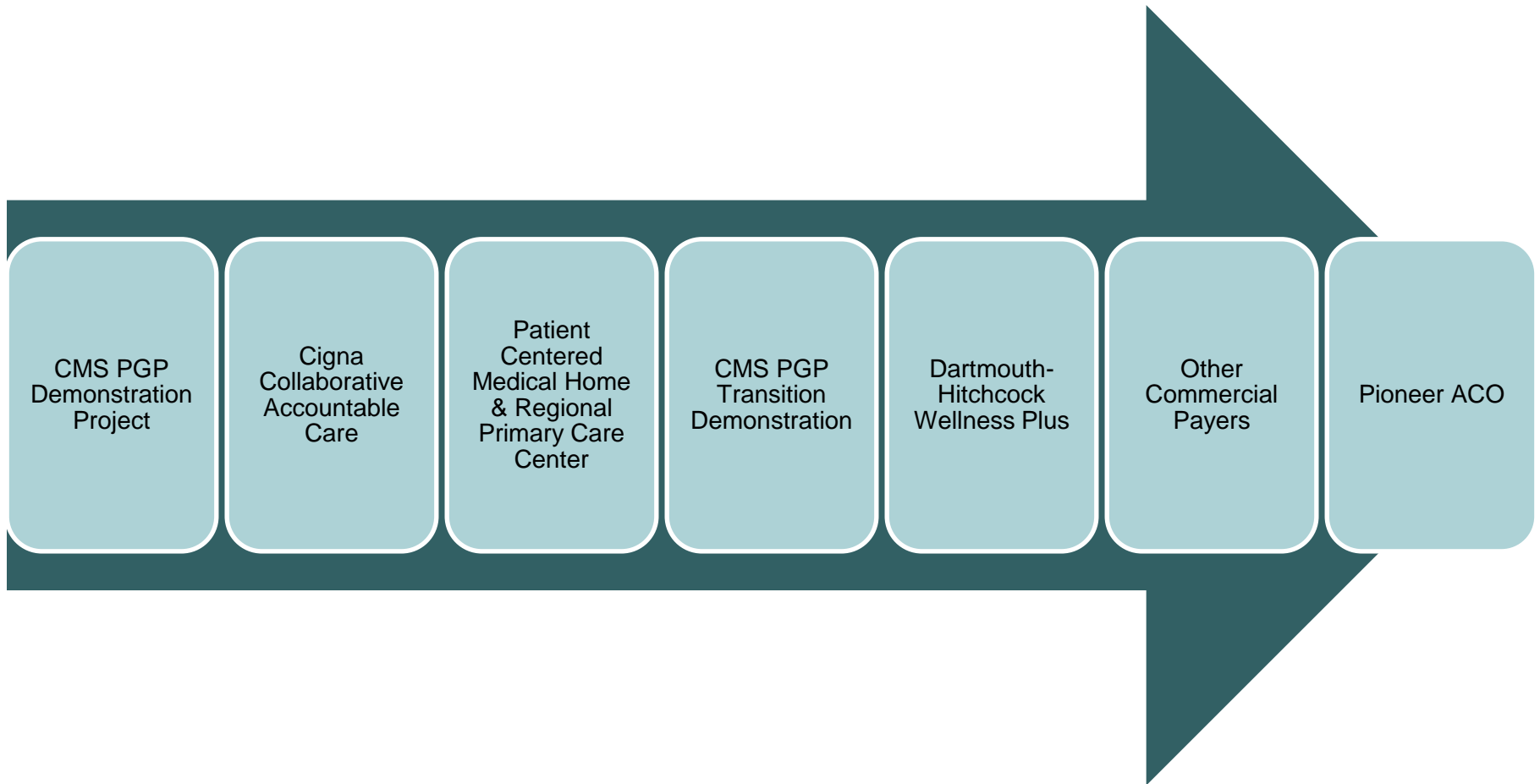
- Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital – Lebanon, NH
- Dartmouth-Hitchcock Clinic – Concord, Keene, Lebanon, Manchester, Nashua
- ★ ~396 beds; ~21,000 inpatient admits per year
- ★ 1000+ employed physicians
- ★ 900+ medical students, residents, & fellows
- ★ 7500 employees
- ★ ~1.6M office visits per year
- ★ FFS Reimbursement
- ★ Three different EMR systems (Epic, AllScripts, Centricity)
- ★ Patient Portal & E-visit reimbursement
- ★ Only Academic Teaching Hospital, NCI-designated Cancer Center, and comprehensive Children's Hospital in NH
- ★ First X-Ray in the country performed at Mary Hitchcock Memorial in 1896
- ★ Affiliated with Dartmouth Medical School and The Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy & Clinical Practice



# Drivers to Accomplish ACO Aim



# The Dartmouth-Hitchcock Journey





# On the Horizon

- **One Care Vermont**
- **Northern New England Collaborative Accountable Care (NNEACC)**







# Questions and Answers

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## **ACO Experience**

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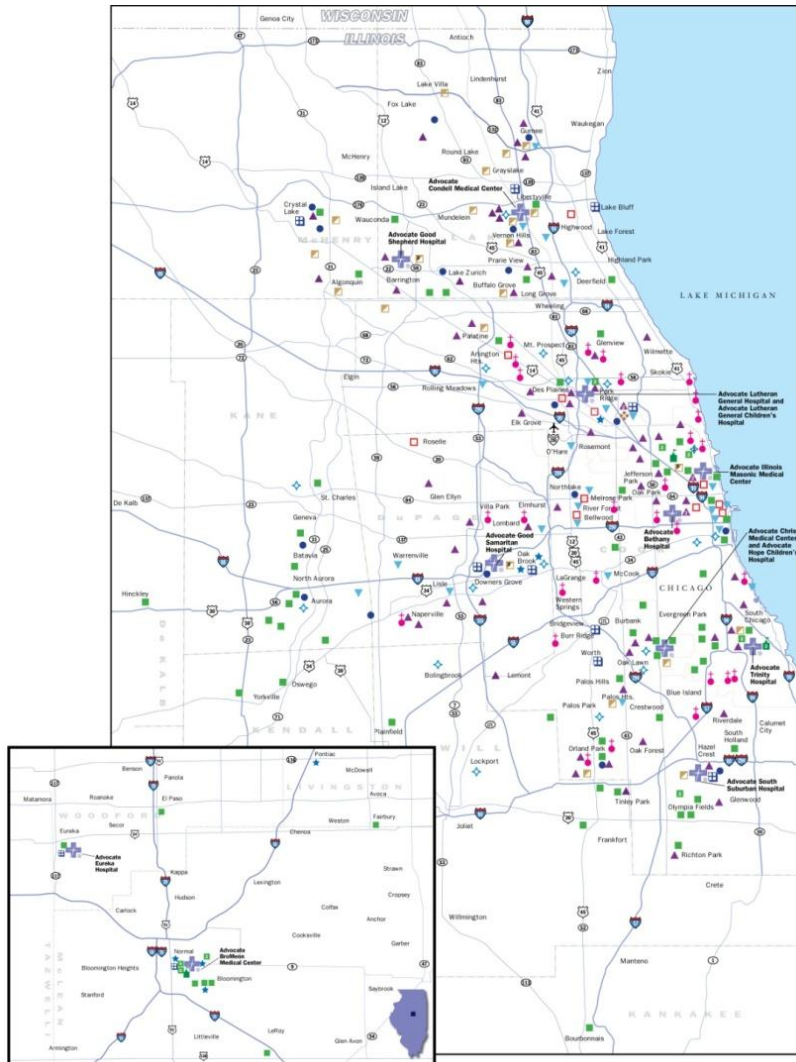
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# Advocate Physician Partners



- Physician Membership
  - 1,200 Primary Care Physicians
  - 2,800 Specialist Physicians
  - Total membership includes 1000 Advocate-employed Physicians
- Central verification office certified by NCQA
- 9 Physician Hospital Organizations (PHOs)
- 230,000 Capitated Lives / 700,000 PPO Lives / 245,000 Attributable Lives

*Advocate Physician Partners delivers services throughout Chicagoland, and central Illinois*

# Blue Cross Contract Highlights

- Blue Advantage (BA) small network HMO added APP to network Feb. 2011
- HMOI – Risk adjusted global cost of care
- PPO - Shared Savings Model
  - Measured on attributable patients
  - Focus on trend in the total cost of care
  - Need to attain outcomes, safety, and service targets

# Value Based Agreements

<b>Contract</b>	<b>Lives</b>	<b>Total Spend</b>
<b>Blue Cross</b>	<b>380,000</b>	<b>\$1.8 B</b>
<b>Medicare Advantage</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>\$0.3 B</b>
<b>Advocate Employee</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>\$0.1 B</b>
<b>Medicare ACO</b>	<b>106,000</b>	<b>\$1.2 B</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>539,000</b>	<b>\$3.4 B</b>

ACO=Accountable Care Organization

# What Results Have We Seen?

- Bent the cost curve in 2011 while maintaining or improving outcomes and satisfaction
- 2% HMO membership growth; market dropped >10%
- 11% PPO attributed patient growth
- PPO In-network use up 3.4% points
- APP physician membership growth
  - 412 new members since January 2011

# BCBS PPO Data: Jan-May 2012 vs. Jan-May 2011

Utilization Metrics (PPO)		AdvocateCare	Market
Inpatient	Admit Rate (Admit Rate/1000)	(4.3%)	.5%
	Length of Stay	(2.4%)	.7%
	Days/1000	(6.7%)	1.4%
Outpatient	ED Cases/1000	4.5%	4.4%
	OP Surgery/1000	0.0%	2.5%
	OP Other/1000	2.5%	4.2%
	Advance Imaging	2.7%	3.5%
Professional	Office E&M/1000 (procedures/1000)	(2.1%)	(.8%)
Pharmacy	Prescriptions/1000	(4.0%)	(.9%)

OP = Outpatient

E&M = Evaluation & Management

# Biggest Challenges Moving Forward

- Redesigning Primary Care-Advanced Medical Practice
- IT Connectivity
- In Network Care Coordination
- Discipline to create a standard approach
- Patient Experience
- Hospitals become Cost Centers



# Creating New Value Together

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# *The Prospect of Being Hanged : Focusing the Physician Mind on Care Transformation & ACOs*

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**"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty. I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use being anything else"**

Winston Churchill

# PRESENTATION ROADMAP

- **Who We Are**
- **What We Are Doing**
- **How We Are Doing**
- **What We Have learned**
- **What We Believe**

# WHO WE ARE

- **A physician-owned for-profit multi-specialty medical group practice founded in 1996.**
- **300+ providers, with 15 office locations in 2 counties with > 40 medical and surgical specialties**
- **Among the fastest growing practices in New York  
>250,000 Patients, >1 Million Visits/Year, >35,000 New Patients Annually**
- **Single Participant ACO; No hospital participant or provider**

# WHAT WE ARE DOING

- Transforming from Volume based to Value based Care:
  - EHR 1999→NCQA Physician Practice Connections Program→Joint Commission Accreditation 2006→NCQA Level III PCMH 2009→MSSP ACO 4/2012→NCQA ACO early adopter applicant
  - Cultural Change→Infrastructure + Physician Comp Change→Behavioral Change

# WHAT WE ARE DOING (cont'd)

- **Cost & Quality Metrics**
- **Variation Reduction Programs**
- **Enhanced Care Management**
- **Physician Education: FLOG, PCP90X**
- **CARETEAM**
- **PCMH!!!**
- **→ Aligned Physician Comp Model (wip)**
- **→ Risk/Outcome Contracting (wip)**

# HOW WE ARE DOING

- **Reduced 30 Day Readmissions**
- **Improvement in Quality Measures**
- **Success in Variation Reduction**
- **Decreased Length of Stay**
- **Increased generic prescribing rate**
- **“Physician Matrix”/Evolving Comp Model**
- **Increased physician awareness of value**
- **Reduced cost of care!!**



# WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED

- **Challenges:**
  - **Changing behavior when currently successful**
  - **Prospering with 1 foot in each of 2 canoes**
  - **Obtaining payor cooperation (vs Freeriding)**
- **Other Lessons:**
  - **Patient Choice vs Leakage**
  - **Claims Level Data essential**
- **Overall:**
  - **There *is* Low Hanging Fruit**
  - ***We can* lower cost and improve quality**

# WHAT WE BELIEVE

- Physicians should embrace Value Based Care:
  1. It's the right thing to do! (↑Quality, ↓Cost)
  2. If that's not good enough, It makes economic sense!
    - a) ↓ Resource Utilization (= ↓ cost) per individual + population based payments → greater “margin”
    - b) Lower utilization → greater system capacity
    - c) ↑ margin plus ↑ capacity → ↑ “profit” → along with ↓ health care system costs, → system sustainability and successful physicians
  3. ∴ No physician left behind!