



This workplace has been recognized by the American Heart Association for meeting criteria for employee fitness



2011 National Quality Forum Award

**Sandra E Brooks, MD, MBA**  
**System Vice President**  
**Research and Prevention**  
**Norton Healthcare**  
**Louisville Kentucky**

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## Focusing on Prevention A Matter of Survival



- 75 % of healthcare \$\$\$\$\$\$ are spent on preventable diseases
- < 5% of healthcare \$ are spent on prevention



We have evidence that we can prevent the onset and progression of diseases.....

*Thorpe and Lever CDC/WHO*

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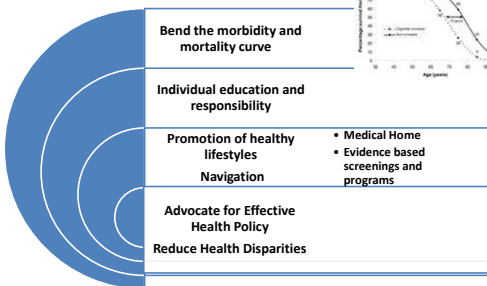
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## Goals




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"Health Equity is not an issue but a framework.  
Apply a health equity lens to the issues you already tackle"

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## Unequal Burden Factors Related to Health Disparities

- **Social Determinants**
  - Employment
  - Living conditions
  - Public policy
  - Bias
  - Institutional barriers
  - Cultural factors
- **Access to care**
- **Lifestyle factors**
- **Difficulty navigating the health care system**

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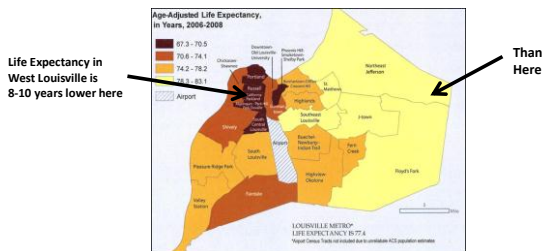
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## Life Expectancy – Depends on where you live




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*The discovery-delivery disconnect. From Freeman HP. Voices of a Broken System: Real People, Real Problems. Bethesda, MD: National Cancer Institute. March 2002.*

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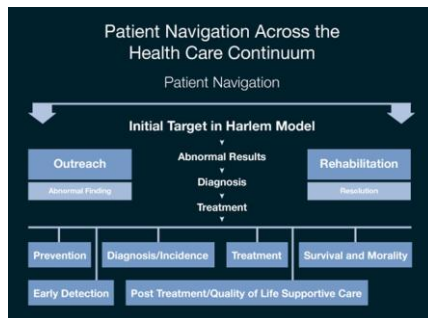
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<http://www.hpfreemanpni.org/resources>

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## Rationale for Expanding Patient Navigation

- ◆ Timely and appropriate follow up is effective in reducing mortality
- ◆ Low income, ethnicity or racial minorities experience barriers and are less likely to receive recommended/timely care
  - ◆ SES, provider, race, age, health system
  - ◆ Documented efficacy in improving adherence
    - Battaglia et al. Cancer 2011 Assessing the impact of patient navigation: Prevention and early detection metric
- ◆ Patient navigation is efficacious for underserved populations of women who face barriers to receiving timely care
  - ◆ Inner city, urban communities have more late stage cancer populations
  - ◆ Metrics and time to diagnostic resolution may vary by disease
  - ◆ Navigation benefits patients with complex barriers
  - ◆ Important to target the highest risk pts
    - Hendren et al. Randomized controlled trial of patient navigation for newly diagnosed cancer patients: effect on quality of life
    - Markossian, TW, et al. Follow up and Timeliness after an abnormal cancer screening among underserved urban women in a patient navigation program.

*Cancer Epid Biomarker, Prev 2012*

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## Goals for Patient Navigation

- ◆ A system - not a person
- ◆ Navigators work w/medical team to facilitate access
- ◆ From the community or culturally similar
- ◆ Identify sources of health care
- ◆ Link patients w/providers for dx follow-up or rx
- ◆ Guide patients through health care system
- ◆ Assess needs, identify barriers to follow-up
- ◆ Improved adherence

*Fouad et al, Ethnicity and Disease 2010, Vargas et al 2008*

## A Patient's right to understand

- No right is held more sacred, or more carefully guarded, by the common law, than the right of every individual to the possession and control of his own person, free from all restraint or interference of others, unless by clear and unquestionable authority of law.  
The U.S. Supreme Court, 1891
- The right of a patient to determine what will or will not happen to his or her own body
- The rights of patients to receive accurate information, participate in the treatment decision-making process and control the course of their own medical treatment
- Courts have consistently described informed consent as a process of educating patients so they understand their diagnosis and treatment
- Exercising the right of self-determination is contingent on a patient's right to understand information about his or her own body
- It is neither just nor fair to expect a patient to make appropriate health decisions and safely manage his or her care without first understanding the information needed to do so
- Patients have the right to understand health care information that is necessary for them to safely care for themselves, and the right to choose among available alternatives
- Health care providers have a duty to provide information in simple, clear and plain language, and to check that patients have understood the information before ending the conversation



**U.S. high school dropout rate is 30%**

*EPE Research Center (2008). "Cities in Crisis"*

## What is health literacy?

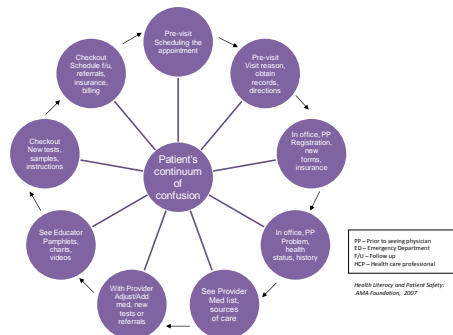
"The degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions." —

Healthy People 2010

## Our Expectations of Patients are Increasing...

- ✓ Prevention (eating, exercise, sunscreen, dental)
- ✓ Immunization
- ✓ Self Assessment of Health Status
  - Peak flow meter
  - Glucose testing
- ✓ Self-treatment
  - Insulin adjustments
- ✓ Health Care Use
  - When to go to clinic/ER
  - Referrals and follow-up
  - Insurance/Medicare

## And the Process is Becoming More Complex

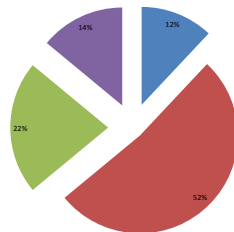


## "Health literacy is needed to make health reform a reality,"

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius

### Health Literacy Scores NAAL

■ Proficient ■ Intermediate ■ Basic ■ Below Basic



The CDC estimates that almost 9 out of 10 Americans have difficulty using everyday health information the way it is currently presented in our communities.

### How Kentucky literacy compares to neighboring states

	Population	Percent lacking basic literacy skills
Kentucky	3,202,516	12
Tennessee	4,439,666	13
Missouri	4,321,763	7
Illinois	9,507,861	13
Indiana	4,633,843	8
Ohio	8,715,916	9
West Virginia	1,418,672	13
Virginia	5,522,625	12

## Human Costs

- Premature mortality
- Avoidable morbidity
  - Less preventive care
  - Lower compliance with treatment regimens
  - Medication or treatment errors
  - More hospitalizations
  - Worse disease outcomes
  - Unable to navigate the healthcare system
- Socioeconomic health disparities

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## Correlates of low health literacy

- Elderly
- Low income
- Unemployed
- Did not finish high school
- Minority ethnic or racial group
- Recent immigrant to US not speaking English
- US born, English second language

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## Six steps to improving interpersonal communication with patients

1. Slow down
2. Use plain, non-medical language
3. Show or draw pictures
4. Limit the amount of information provided-and repeat it
5. Use the teach-back technique
6. Create a shame-free environment: Encourage questions.

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## Poor Communication Costs Billions

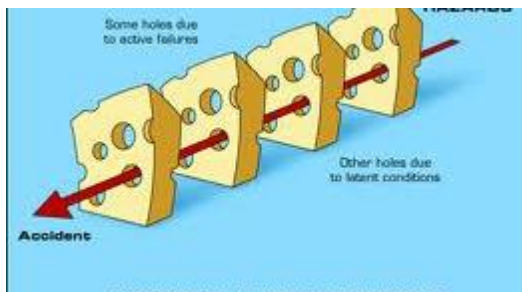
- Non adherence
- Unnecessary testing
- Decreased job productivity
- Higher costs, readmissions, deaths
  - 10% of all hospital admissions
  - 23% of nursing home admissions
- 112 million unnecessary medical visits
- \$300 billion per year in excess spending



*Peterson et al. Am J Health-Syst Pharm. 2003;60:657-665.  
DiMatteo MR. 2004;42:200-209.*

### Patient Navigation

The Swiss Cheese model and patient-provider communication:  
The relationship between patient safety and health literacy



## Patient Safety: Medication Errors

***“How would you take this medicine?”***

395 primary care patients in 3 states



- **46%** did not understand instructions  $\geq 1$  labels
- **38%** with adequate literacy missed at least 1 label

*Davis TC, et al. Annals Int Med 2006*



## Red Flags for Low Literacy

- Frequently missed appointments
- Incomplete registration forms
- Non-compliance with medication
- Unable to name medications, explain purpose or dosing
- Identifies pills by looking at them, not reading label
- Unable to give coherent, sequential history
- Ask fewer questions
- Lack of follow-through on tests or referrals




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## SOAP- UP

A method to assist providers to improved understanding

- S – Subjective
- O – Objective
- A – Assessment
- P – Plan
- U – Use teach-back to check for understanding
- P – Plan for health literacy help

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## Business Model

- ◆ Complexity of care increased requires
  - ◆ Coordination
  - ◆ Patient centered approach to care
- ◆ Results
  - ◆ Cost savings
  - ◆ Decreased ER visits
  - ◆ Reduced inappropriate admissions/readmissions
  - ◆ Reduced unnecessary dx testing
  - ◆ Standard rx protocol
  - ◆ Increased appropriate use of hospice care
  - ◆ Patient satisfaction, loyalty, ROI

*Hopkins- J Onc Practice*

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NCI Community Cancer Centers Program  
**2012 NCCCP Hospitals**



\$2.4 million/4 years  
 S.E. Brooks, MD, MBA, Principal Investigator

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**Community Prevention**




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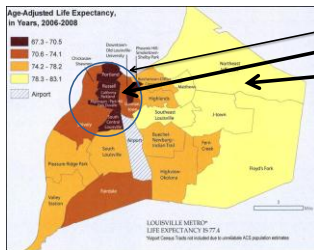
## Building a Health Literacy Toolkit

Jenita Terzic, M.Ed., CHES; Phil Schervish, Ph.D.; Tina Hembree, MPH; Sandra E. Brooks, M.D., MBA  
Louisville, Ky.

- 2009-2010 baseline REALM assessment showed that 34% of mobile prevention center patients (N=187) scored below the 9th grade reading level.
- An audit of patient education materials indicated all were  $\geq$ 9th-12th grade reading level
- Materials were revised to reflect a 6th-8th grade reading level

Kentucky Health Literacy Summit 2012

### Incorporating Disparities Metrics into Program Planning: Focusing Outreach on Underserved Areas



Life Expectancy in West Louisville is 8-10 years lower here than here

#### Mobile Screening Sites

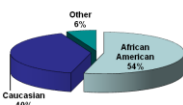


50% of Screenings Occur in Underserved Communities  
1/3 have never had a screening or have not had one in 5 years



## Screening Statistics

### Race of Screening Patients



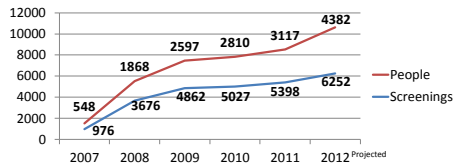
### Demographic Data

- Mean age: 52
- 15% Hispanic/Latino
- 50% Uninsured
- 46% Reside in Medically Underserved Communities
- 45% with household income <\$10,000
- 30% Never or Rarely Screened



NORTON  
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Incorporating Disparities Metrics into Program Planning  
Focusing Outreach on Underserved Areas



~20% of patients require Diagnostic Navigation  
76 Cancers (Breast, Cervix, Prostate)- 1/07-9/12/12  
Breast Cancer Specific Data

N= 53

Median Age: 52	0-1	8-14
African American/Black:	52%	48%
Caucasian/ White	60%	40%
Hispanic:	25%	63%
Non-Hispanic	75%	37%

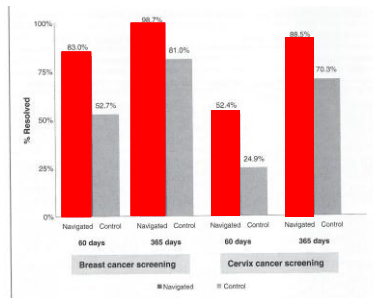
75% uninsured, 33% no PCP



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Chicago Cancer Navigation Project  
Patient Navigation Reduces Time to Diagnostic Resolution

Markassian et al.



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Boston Patient Navigation Research Program:  
The Impact of Navigation on Time to Diagnostic Resolution after  
Cancer Screening Battaglia et al, 2012

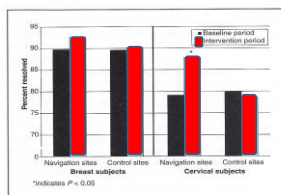


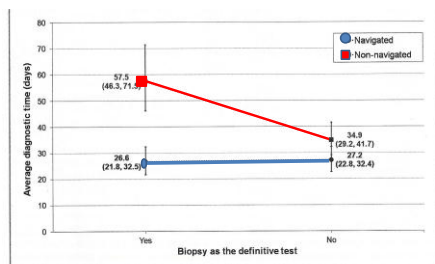
Figure 1. Percent of subjects in the Boston Patient Navigation Research Program who complete diagnostic resolution by 365 days by Study Period (baseline vs. intervention) within each Study Site Group (navigation vs. control sites), for both breast and cervical subjects. \*Indicates  $P < 0.05$

Lay navigators integrated into a medical team decrease time to diagnostic resolution after abnormal screening. The greatest impact seen with underserved women, those that lacked social support.



## Patient navigation reduces delays in breast cancer diagnosis

DC - Patient Navigation Research Program *Hoffman et al 2012*



Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev: 21(10) October 2012 1



## Patient Navigation for Breast and Colorectal Cancer in 3 Community Hospital Settings: An Economic Evaluation

*Donaldson, Holgrave, Duffin, Feltner, Funderburk, Freeman Cancer 2012*

### Objective:

1. Reduce the time interval between abnormal cancer finding, dx resolution & initiation of rx.
2. Assess the incremental cost effectiveness of adding patient navigation to standard cancer care.

**Methods:** A decision-analytic model was used to assess the cost effectiveness of a colorectal and breast cancer patient navigation program over the period of 1 year compared with standard care.

**Results:** Patient navigation resulted in 78 of 959 (breast) and 21 of 411 (colon) additional individuals to reach timely diagnostic resolution.

Costs saved, the cost-effectiveness ratio:

\$511 to \$2080 per breast cancer diagnostic resolution achieved

\$1192 to \$9708 per colorectal cancer diagnostic resolution achieved

**CONCLUSIONS:** The current results indicated that implementing breast or colorectal cancer patient navigation in community hospital settings in which low-income populations are served may be a cost-effective addition to standard cancer care.



## Impact of Patient Navigation

- Outreach to rarely/never screened populations
- >90% follow up on abnormal screening tests
- More timely diagnostic resolution

Davis, ET, Hembree, TM, Beache, SC, Ballard, D, Brooks, SE. Reaching Underserved Women with Mammography: 15 month experience with a Mobile Prevention Unit and Prevention Program. *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers and Prevention, American Society of Preventive Oncology* 2010;19:894-895

Manson, J, Brooks, SE, Lewis, AL, Hembree, TM, Contralateral Prophylactic Mastectomy Study in Women with Breast Cancer: Role for Preoperative Genetic Counseling. *Journal of the KMA, September 2012*

Brooks et al. Mobile Mammography in Underserved Populations: Analysis of outcomes of 3,923 Women. *J Community Health submitted*

Freeman et al.

Donaldson, et al.

Bottaglio, et al.



## Beneficial Effects of a Combined Navigator / Promotora / approach for Hispanic women diagnosed with breast abnormalities *Dudley, et al. 2012*

- Benefits of navigation, benefit underserved populations most
- Combined Promotora/navigator approach successful
- Hispanic/Latino women successfully navigated
- Diagnostic resolution within 60 days 62.6% vs. 47.5%
- Treated within 60 days of diagnosis 80% vs. 56.4%

### Hispanic/Latino outreach in Louisville, KY



## 2012 NCCCP DELIVERABLE DASHBOARD



Goal: To design and implement programs to reduce disparities, promote cancer screening, clinical trials, and improve quality of care

### Reducing Disparities

#### Community Cancer Screenings<sup>1</sup>

Site	Screenings	Events
Breast	941	53
Prostate	47	1
Colon	84	20
Skin	75	4
Cervical	302	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>1499</b>	<b>93</b>

### Patient Navigation<sup>2</sup>

- 4 Outreach Navigators
- 2 Bi-lingual
- 1 Diagnostic Navigator
- 12 oncology Nurse Navigators
  - 4 general for all disease sites
  - 7 specialized for breast, gastric, hepatic, arterial, thoracic and neuro
- 1 survivorship
- Navigation Interactions Across Continuum
  - Breast: 505    Prostate: 24
  - Colon: 117    Other: 1210
  - Total: 1856
  - 26-60% of patients navigated
  - 15 Outreach Staff Harold P. Freeman Patient Navigation Certified

### Collection of Race/Ethnicity Data

#### Departments Collecting Race & Ethnicity using OMB Categories<sup>3</sup>

- Hospital Admitting
- Outpatient Registration (Lab, Radiology)
- Cancer Institute:
- Patient Navigation Program
- Norton Cancer Institute offices
- Survivorship Program
- Clinical Trials Database
- Prevention Program
  - 61-99% of cancer center physicians track race/ethnicity using OMB guidelines

### Clinical Trial Training-Pilot<sup>4</sup>

Enhancing Clinical Trials Access Through Cultural Competence Training for Oncology Professionals. Cancer Health Disparities Program Meeting. NO CHOIO, Bethesda, Maryland, July 2011. Michaela M. Bialanecy, Limones-Isonor J., Hoffman R., Brooks SE.

What Will It Take To Ensure Equal Access to Quality Cancer Care: Using a Comprehensive Approach to Foster Community Engagement in Cancer Clinical Trials. ICC panel: Houston, TX June 30-July 2 2012. Michaela, M., Tsarik, J., Whipple, D., Horton, S., Brooks, SE, Green, R., Richmond, A., Corbi-Smith, G.

### Clinical Trials Education and Events<sup>4</sup>

Gaining Essentials About Research (GEAR) Session  
 • "Practical Applications in Screening, Recruitment, and Enrollment," Karriem S. Watson, MD, MPH, MS  
 • 78 in attendance

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Tissue Bank at IU Simon Cancer Center Collection Event<sup>1,4</sup>  
 • 125 participants  
 • 85% White  
 • 15% African American  
 • 2% Hispanic  
 • 1% American Indian/Native Alaskan

### Outreach Events

Health Equity Summit II: Setting a Vision for Tangible Change: Moving from Awareness to Action. Speakers: SF Arnold, MD, A. Troutman, MD, MPH, B. Smedley, PhD, B. Gibbons PhD, A. Armo, PhD, M. Harris, PhD-180 in attendance

Men's Health: A Family Affair<sup>1,4,4</sup>  
 • 400 screenings  
 • Cancer, chronic disease, tobacco control  
 • 1 Community Outreach Deliverable  
 • 1 Evidence Based/Informed Practice Deliverable  
 • 1 Tobacco Control Deliverable  
 • 1 Underserved Accrual Deliverable



## Quality/Navigation Metrics

- Wait time to appts, treatment, and satisfaction
- Timeliness of Care
- Appropriateness of Care
- Family Feedback
- Adherence to Evidence Based Guidelines
- Insurance Denials
- Hospitalizations
- Referrals to PCP
- Stage of Disease

Petrielli et al, Desimini et al, Frelick et al, Battaglia et al.



## Incorporating Disparities Metrics into Program Planning Research, Grants, and Contracts

### Get Healthy Access Program

Brooks, PI, Hembree Project Manager

Navigation of patients at risk for cardiovascular disease to health promotion activities and a primary care physician

Social Innovation Fund, Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky and NHC  
\$200,000

### Rubbertown Screening Project

Brooks, PI, Hembree Project Manager

Navigate uninsured men and women living in the Rubbertown neighborhood(3 zip codes) to mammography, paps and colonoscopy

Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness

\$125,000

CBE	221
Mammogram	218
PAP Test	50
PSA	0
FOBT	12
Colonoscopy**	22

Patient Navigation Improves Cancer Diagnostic Resolution for abnormal screening tests for breast, colorectal and prostate cancers in a medically underserved population. Raich, et al. 2012 - 15% higher diagnostic resolution rate in navigated patients



## "Hard Wiring" Incorporation of Disparities Metrics and Navigation into a Multi-Hospital Health System

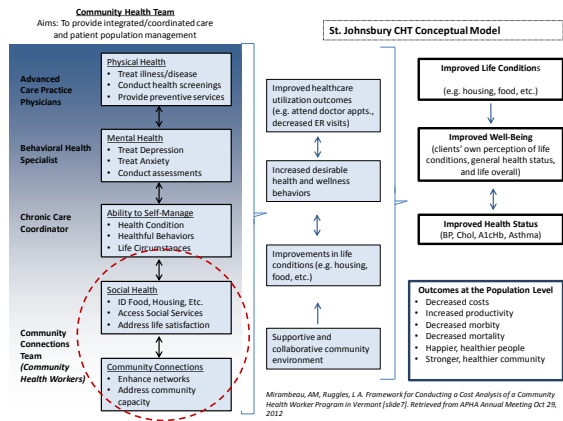
- High Level Support and Commitment
- Training
- Strategic Approach
- Formalized Access for Underserved Patients
  - ◆ Collaborate with Department of Public Health
  - ◆ Formalized Institutional Processes
    - Patient Access / Accounting / Finance / Charity Care Application
    - Community benefit reporting
    - MOA with private practices
  - ◆ Grants/Contracts
- Downstream revenue calculation



## Sustainability: 2011 Downstream Revenue

- ◆ 5,714 patients had 9,590 visits
- ◆ >2,949
  - Hospital
  - Diagnostic Center
  - Oncology
  - >95% were for outpatient services





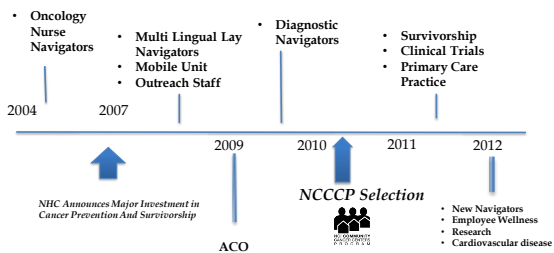
**CHW Cost Analysis Framework:**  
**Cost Categories**

Cost Categories	Data sources	Cost assignment
<b>Personnel</b>		
• CHWs	Hospital general ledger, time study	Actual salary, time study
• Supervisory Staff	Hospital general ledger, time study	Actual salary, time study
• Volunteer	N/A	Bureau of Labor, time study
• Administrative support (e.g. human resources, payroll, technology support)	Hospital general ledger	Standard NVRH overhead rate
<b>Program Costs</b>		
• Training/Professional Development	Training records	Actual costs, local rates/national averages
• Mileage	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
• Travel reimbursement to participants	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
• Marketing/promotional material	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
<b>Operational costs</b>		
• Workspace	Building floor plan	Commercial real estate averages
• Office space	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
• Miscellaneous: housekeeping, heating, electricity, snow removal, professional dues, copier lease, recycling fee	Hospital general ledger & subsidiary journal	Actual cost
<b>Start-up Costs</b>		
• Furniture (e.g. desks, chairs, tables, etc.)	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
• Computer desktops/monitors	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost
• Office telephones	Hospital general ledger	Actual cost

Mirambeau, AM, Ruggles, L.A. Framework for Conducting a Cost Analysis of a Community Health Worker Program in Vermont [slide15]. Retrieved from APHA Annual Meeting Oct 29, 2012



## Evolution of Patient Navigation Norton Healthcare







## Patient Navigation a role in development of ACO's

### Norton Healthcare: A Strong Payer-Provider Partnership for the Journey to Accountable Care

Josette N. Gbemudu *The Commonwealth Fund, January 2012*



### Brookings-Dartmouth ACO Learning Network

#### **Pilot Sites (e.g. Norton Healthcare)**

In-depth consultation, technical assistance, and data analysis for participating health systems and payers

#### **Community Initiatives**

Serves as strategic support for regions interested in piloting ACOs at the community level

#### **Policy Support**

Serves as a resource for legislative and executive staff on delivery system reform

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LEARNING NETWORK  
WWW.ACOLEARNINGNETWORK.ORG



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#### Private-Sector ACO Examples

Carilion Clinic Roanoke, VA	Norton Healthcare Louisville, KY	Tucson Medical Center Tucson, AZ
• ~900 Providers • 60,000 Medicare Patients Assigned	• ~400 Providers • 30,000 Medicare Patients Assigned	• ~80 Providers • 10,000 Medicare Patients Assigned
Large Group	↔	Small Group
Low Competitive Environment	↔	Highly Competitive Environment
Fully Integrated System	↔	Multiple Independent Provider Groups

Mark McClellan  
Engelberg Center for Health Care Reform



## Pilot ACO

*The goal of the ACO model is to increase quality and efficiency, better coordinate patient care, eliminate waste, and reduce the overuse and misuse of care by establishing incentives*

- ▶ Facilitate exchange of patient medical information through integrated EMR
  - ◆ Shared data with Humana and Norton Healthcare
- ▶ Reduce variation
  - ◆ Analysis
  - ◆ Targeted intervention
- ▶ Value based purchasing
  - ◆ Reducing readmissions
- ▶ Manage utilization
  - ◆ Checklists
  - ◆ Review case variation
- ▶ Discharge planning
- ▶ Implement evidence based guidelines
  - ◆ Personalize care and disease management/reversal
  - ◆ Employee wellness program
  - ◆ Disease management/reversal
- ▶ Incentive doctors to meet quality metrics
- ▶ Reduce pharmacy costs



ACO's- Promise not Panacea  
Donald Berwick, MD , MPP JAMA Sept 12 2012

"In these days of difficulty, we Americans everywhere must and shall choose the path of social justice..., the path of faith, the path of hope, and the path of love toward our fellow man."

Franklin D. Roosevelt



## Questions



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