Patient Centered Medical Home

Update of the Subgroups

May 20, 2009
Outline

• Medical Home Foundations

• Practice Transformation

• Purchasers and Consumers Education

• Legal Framework Used to Establish Demonstrations

• Next Steps
Medical Home Foundations

• **Charge:** Balance the ‘state of the art’ in medical home development with Maryland-specific needs. Consider how a state-wide plan can complement the several single payer demonstrations that are now underway, or in the planning stages, in Maryland.

• Subgroup Recommendations
  – Definition
  – Core Features
  – Primary Care Model

• Outstanding Issues
  – Practice Recognition
  – Inclusion of Community and FQHCs
  – Measurement Methods
Practice Transformation

- **Charge:** Examine the technical, administrative, financial, and legal issues that would arise if a multi-payer demonstration is established in the State.

- **Subgroup Recommendations**
  - Broad participation across primary care practices that are geographically and demographically representative of the State
  - Support tools, both operational and financial are necessary
  - Importance of ongoing collaboration among participating practices
  - Practices should be required to achieve NCQA PPC-PCMH Level I recognition and progress to Level II within a timeframe TBD
  - PPC-PCMH recognition tool must continue to evolve

- **Outstanding Issues**
  - Financing of support tools
  - Anti-trust laws and impact on participation among payers
  - Medicaid participation
  - Support for practices with high volume of uninsured patients
  - How to ensure self-sustaining PCMHS
Purchasers and Consumers Education

• **Charge:** Develop strategies for involving employers and consumers in medical home demonstrations.

• Subgroup Recommendations
  – Fostering patients’ involvement is a core function of PCMH
  – Significant resources have been developed
  – Recognition tools should continue to improve measurement of a practice’s activities in involve patient in care and decision-making

• Outstanding Issues
  – Limited participation of purchasers and consumers
  – Lack of understanding of medical home concepts among purchasers and consumers
  – Education is a ‘leading’ issue, but may need to be ‘bound’ to other subgroups
Legal Framework Used to Establish Demonstrations

- A majority of states have PCMH demonstrations involving Medicaid or CHIP programs, there are a limited number of multi-payer initiatives

- Workgroup should recommend that Council consider all options, including legislation to establish statewide, multi-payer demonstration

- State involvement is necessary for successful collaboration
  - Practices are more likely to participate, if transformation includes all patients of the practice.
  - State can require private payers to participate through modifications in the state law (Insurance Article).
  - Provides a mechanism to get around federal anti-trust -- MAY permit establishment of an all-payer care management fee levels, if required under state law.
  - State involvement can bring Medicaid program to the table.
Implementation Mechanism

• State Agency or Governor’s Office as convener
  – Executive Order (Pennsylvania)

• Examples of PCMHs established in statute
  – Vermont (Blueprint for Health)
  – Rhode Island (Chronic Care Sustainability Initiative)
  – New York (codified 2 pilot programs)
  – California (pending legislation defining medical home)
Legislative Options

• Resolution to define PCMH and principles
  – California, Maryland (*not enacted*)

• Executive Order: creates a state agency to develop plan to implement PCMH statewide
  – Pennsylvania (Governor’s Chronic Care Commission)

• Implementing legislation:
  – New York (Hudson Valley) -- Broad language to establish PCMH pilots-
  – Vermont’s Blueprint for Health -- Specific language outlining definition, participants, timeline, evaluation criteria, reimbursement.
Next Steps

- Presentation to Maryland Health Quality and Cost Council (June 10, 2009)
- Additional meetings of subgroups
- Staff to begin drafting PCMH Chapter of Strategic Plan