



The Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH): Overview of the Model and Movement Part I

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The Cost of American Healthcare

Health Care Expenses In an International Context



Source: The Commonwealth Fund, calculated from 2004 OECD Health Data released in 2006.

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For all the Money We Spend, How Well Does Our System Perform?

A Commonwealth Fund study ranked the performance of the health systems of six countries, with 1 being the highest ranking and 6 being the lowest. The U.S. ranked at or near the bottom in 9 of the 10 categories.

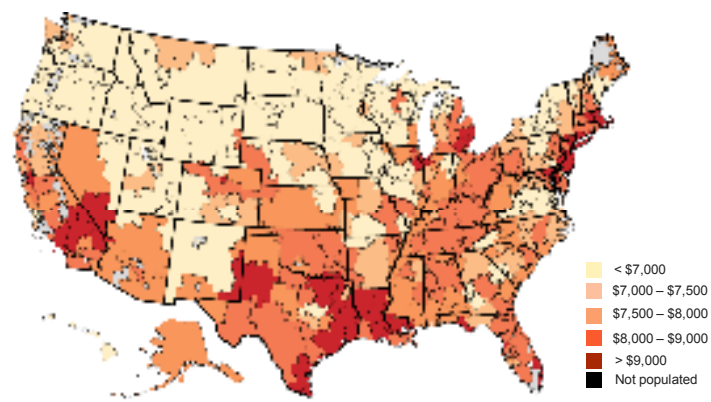
Country Rankings	
1st-3rd	1st-3rd
4th-5th	4th-5th
6th-7th	6th-7th

	AUSTRALIA	CANADA	GERMANY	NEW ZEALAND	UNITED KINGDOM	UNITED STATES
OVERALL RANKING	3	5	1	4	2	6
Quality Care	4	6	1	2	3	5
Right Care	5	6	1.5	1.5	3.5	3.5
Safe Care	4	5	1	3	2	6
Coordinated Care	3	5	1	2	4	6
Patient-Centered Care	4	6	2	1	3	5
Access	3	5	1	4	2	6
Efficiency	4	5	3	2	1	6
Equity	2	5	4	3	1	6
Long, Healthy, and Productive Lives	1	3	2	4.5	4.5	6
Health Expenditures per Capita, 2004	\$2,076	\$3,165	\$3,005	\$2,083	\$2,546	\$6,102

Source: Country Rankings on Overall Health System Performance, Commonwealth Study, 2007 (2003 Data)

What about within the U.S.? – Significant Geographic Variation

Chart 1: Medicare Spending per Beneficiary, by Hospital Referral Region, 2006

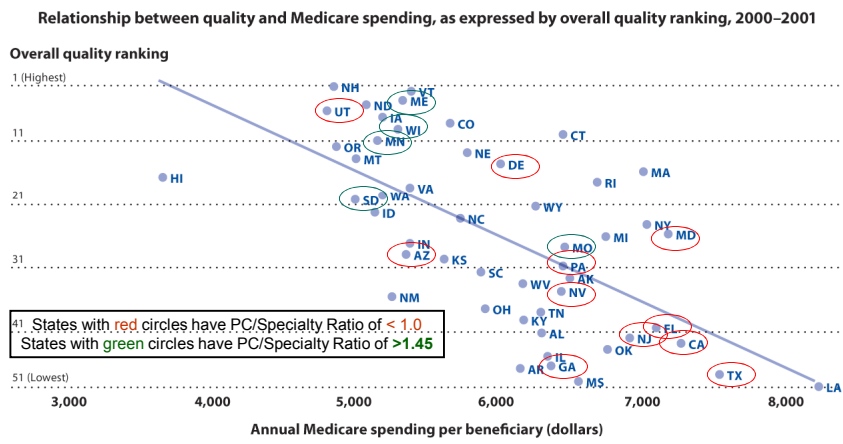


Source: The Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care. (2009). *The Policy Implications of Variations in Medicare Spending Growth*. Link: http://www.dartmouthatlas.org/atlas/policy_implications_brief_022709.pdf. Note: Data adjusted for age, race, and sex but not price. Category definitions as in source document.

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EQUITY AND EFFICIENCY • MULTIPLE CONDITIONS • CHART 5:9 Relationship Between Quality of Care and Medicare Spending

States with higher spending per Medicare beneficiary tended to rank lower on 22 quality of care indicators. This inverse relationship might reflect medical practice patterns that favor intensive, costly care rather than the effective care measured by these indicators.



Source: Medicare administrative claims data and Medicare Quality Improvement Organization program data, as analyzed by Baicker and Chandra (2004). The solid line shows that for every \$1,000 increase in Medicare spending per beneficiary, a state's quality ranking dropped by 10 positions. Adapted and republished with permission of *Health Affairs* from Baicker and Chandra, "Medicare spending, the physician workforce, and beneficiaries' quality of care" (Web Exclusive), 2004. Permission conveyed through the Copyright Clearance Center, Inc.



Leatherman and McCarthy, *Quality of Health Care for Medicare Beneficiaries: A Chartbook*, 2005. The Commonwealth Fund

Increasing Demand for Health Care Services

Population and service demand growing

- U.S. population projected to be 349 Million by 2025
- 902 million visits were made to physician offices in the US in 2006 - 2/3 Primary care - IM, Peds, and FP
- Insurance reform will expand coverage

Aging and chronically ill population

- 2011 10,000 seniors per day will become eligible for Medicare
- 83% of current Medicare patients have one or more chronic conditions
- 23% of current Medicare patients have 5 or more chronic conditions, account for ~ 3/4 of Medicare spending, see about 14 different physicians in a year and have about 40 office visits

SOURCES: American College of Physicians. How Is a Shortage of Primary Care Physicians Affecting the Quality and Cost of Medical Care?. Philadelphia: American College of Physicians; 2008: White Paper; Anderson GF. Medicare and Chronic Conditions. Sounding Board. N Engl J Med. 2005;353(3):305-9; <http://thomas.loc.gov/medicare/factpage4.html>

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How We Pay for It!**

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“[Better] performance is not simply – it is not even mainly – a matter of effort; it is a matter of design”

- Don Berwick
Administrator of CMS
(Former CEO, IHI)

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What is the Patient-Centered Medical Home?

Vision of primary care as it should be

Strengthening the physician-patient relationship

Getting patients the care they want and need when they need it

Framework for organizing systems of care at both the micro (practice) and macro (society) level

Model to test, improve, and validate

Important component of more comprehensive reform (including accountable care organizations)

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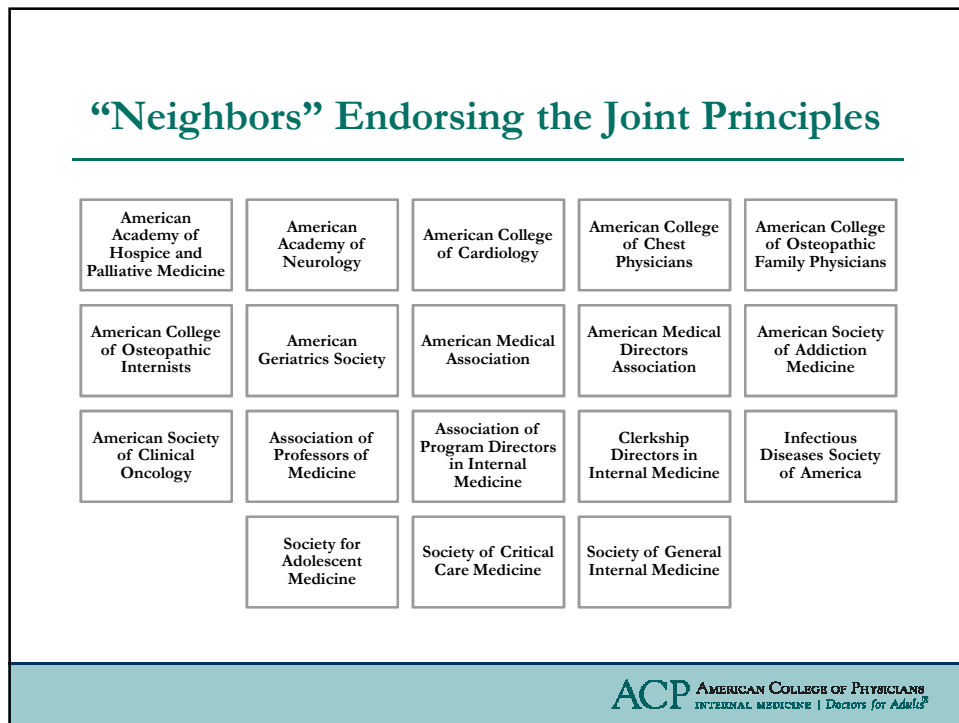
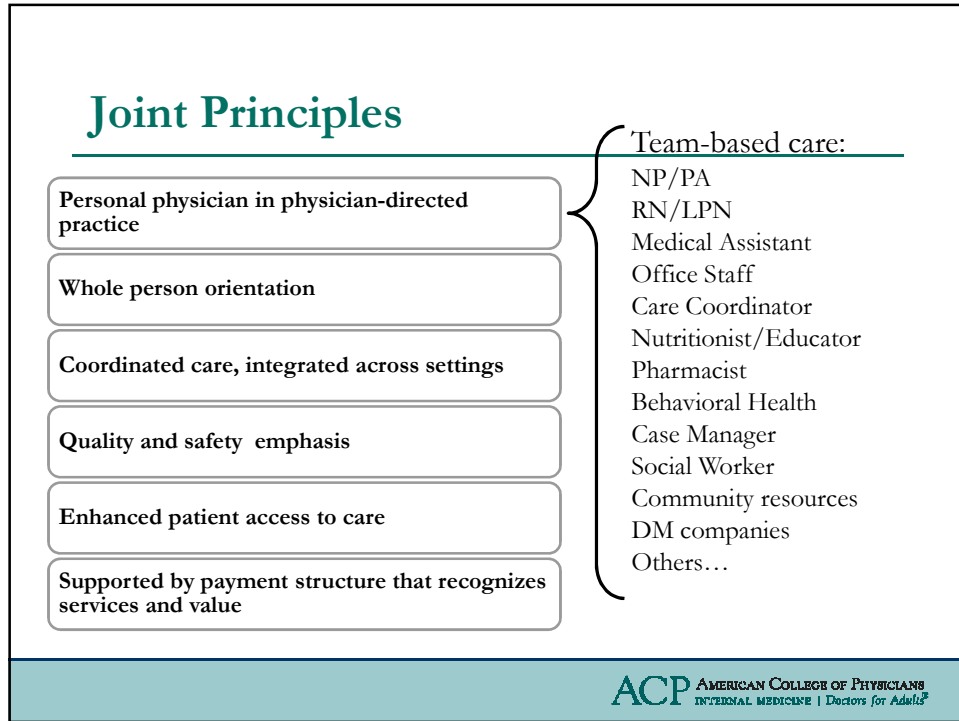
Evolution of the PCMH “Joint Principles”

ACP, American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and American Osteopathic Association (AOA) have similar positions in promoting PCMH

ACP, AAFP, AAP, and AOA—representing 330,000 physicians—establish PCMH “joint principles” in March 2007 to provide standard definition of delivery model and describe the environment necessary to support it

These joint principles guide the collective actions of the organizations to further develop, promote, and test the PCMH

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How do you Know a PCMH When you See One?

Process needed to recognize practices that have and use the capability to provide patient-centered care

Practice recognition provides purchasers (employers, government) and patients with prospective assurance that the practice has capabilities

Recognized PCMHs would also be accountable for quality of care by reporting on evidence-based clinical and patient experience measures—provides retrospective assurance

National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) announced a voluntary recognition process based on its Physicians' Practice Connection (PPC) module, the PPC-PCMH in January 2008

- ACP, AAFP, AOA, and AAP helped NCQA develop the module
- Undergoing revisions now, with new version to be released in January 2011

Other entities are also developing PCMH recognition/accreditation processes – The Joint Commission, URAC, CARF, AAAHC

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NCQA PPC-PCMH Recognition Module; Major Domains/Standards

1. Access & Communication
2. Patient Tracking & Registry Functions
3. Care Management
4. Patient Self-Management Support
5. Electronic Prescribing

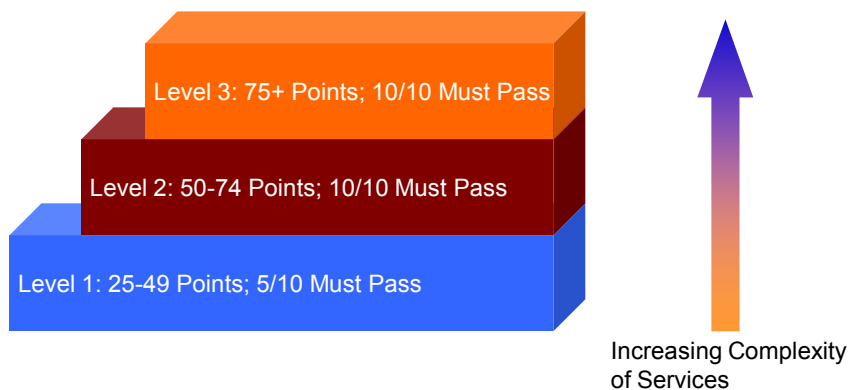
6. Test Tracking
7. Referral Tracking
8. Performance Reporting & Improvement
9. Advanced Electronic Communication

Each standard contains sub-elements – 10 of which are considered “must pass”

For more information:
<http://ncqa.org/tabid/631/Default.aspx>

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NCQA Recognition Activity

>1500 practices have received recognition

- 33% Level 1
- 5% Level 2
- 62% Level 3

58 % of practices have < 5 physicians at the site

47% of practices are part of multi-sites

Concentration in the Northeast and Mid-South

- Practices more likely to seek recognition when/where tied to reward

About 66% are adult primary care practices; 15% are pediatric practices

31 (17%) are community health centers

SOURCE: NCQA, July 2010

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Complex Delivery

Health care delivery is complex
– e.g., the typical primary care
physician coordinates care with
229 other physicians working in
117 practices

H H Pham, et al *Ann Intern Med.* 2009;150:236-242



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Specialty Care Connections

PCMH is NOT a gatekeeper system

Emphasis on transitions in care & continuity (e.g., referral agreements, care transitions programs)

ACP in discussions with several groups regarding the PCMH model and primary care/specialty care interface (sharing care)

ACP Council of Specialty Societies PCMH workgroup:

- Developed FAQs on the relationship of the PCMH to specialty physicians*
- Facilitating the development of the “PCMH Neighbor” concept – white paper to be released in late Summer/early Fall 2010

* FAQs available at: http://www.acponline.org/running_practice/pcmh/understanding/specialty_physicians.htm

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Thank You!

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