



FACT SHEET

Physician Group Incentive Program Collaborative Quality Improvement Initiative

About Value Partnerships

Value Partnerships is a collection of clinically oriented initiatives among Michigan physicians, hospitals and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan that are improving clinical quality, reducing complications, controlling cost trends, eliminating errors, and improving health outcomes throughout Michigan.

About The Physician Group Incentive Program

This program began in 2005 to encourage and incentivize physicians to more effectively manage populations of patients with chronic diseases and build an infrastructure to more robustly measure and monitor care quality. As of January 2010, 38 physician organizations and 8,148 primary care physicians and specialists are working together to improve health care for 1.8 Million Michigan residents.

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Michigan Anticoagulation Quality Improvement (MAQI2)

Overview

The purpose of this new professional Collaborative Quality Initiative (CQI) is to improve the quality of care for Michigan patients receiving maintenance anticoagulation under the guidance of anticoagulation services (ASC). BCBSM CQIs are data-driven statewide consortiums of providers built on the foundation of comprehensive clinical registries that include data on patient risk factors, processes of care, and outcomes of care. These registries are used to generate comparative performance reports, which show variation in approaches to care, as well as outcomes across participating institutions. CQIs focus on areas of care which are rapidly evolving, technically complex, and associated with uncertainty about optimal approaches to care. The MAQI2 CQI will be led by a BCBSM contracted coordinating center that will work with participating ACS providers in implementing this statewide consortium.

Objectives

- Collect, share and analyze data to improve patient care and outcomes
- Implement quality improvement initiatives aimed at improving overall anticoagulant therapy
- Develop a methodology for assessing quality of care and risk-adjusted acute and long-term outcomes for patients receiving anticoagulation care
- Identify essential elements of a well-functioning ACS and disseminate these to a larger audience of providers offering anticoagulant therapy

Incentive Design

The initiative is designed in the following manner:

- An incentive for PO participants to defray the cost of participation in the initiative, including data abstraction costs

A coordinating center to orchestrate, assist, and provide consultative feedback to POs by providing analysis and summative data on any quality initiative designed to improve transitions of care aimed at supporting POs efforts to decrease rates of potentially avoidable readmission

