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“The DISCHARGE ALTERNATIVE: A STEP in the Right Direction”

**Care Transitions Collaborative Webinar
August 21, 2014**

Agenda

Welcome and Introduction

Aubrie Augustus, RN, BSN, MHA

Roll Call

Heather Beal, MHA

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Questions and Answers

Participants

Upcoming Events and Next Steps

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Transitional Care - AGS

- A set of actions designed to **ensure** the **coordination** and **continuity** of health care as patients transfer **between different locations or different levels of care** within the same location.
- Based on a **comprehensive plan of care** & the availability of health care practitioners who are well-trained in chronic care & have current information about the **patient's goals, preferences, and clinical status**
- **Includes logistical arrangements, education** of the patient and family, and **coordination** among the health professionals involved in the transition
- Transitional care, which **encompasses both the sending and the receiving aspects** of the transfer, is essential for persons with complex care needs

Source: Coleman EA, Boult CE on behalf of the American Geriatrics Society Health Care Systems Committee. *Improving the Quality of Transitional Care for Persons with Complex Care Needs. Journal of the American Geriatrics Society. 2003;51(4):556-557.*

Re-hospitalizations Among Medicare Recipients

- Within 30d of discharge
 - 20% readmitted
 - Variable 13-23%
 - Texas 19.4%
 - Post op discharge readmitted with medical diagnoses
 - 50% readmitted unable to follow up with PCP
- At risk diagnoses: CHF, Pneumonia, COPD, Stroke, Hip Fracture
- Subsequent hospital stay slightly longer
- Re-hospitalization risk persists over time

Interventions to Reduce Readmissions

Pre-discharge Programs

- ACE Units
- Delirium Prevention
- Consultation Services
- Hospitalist Programs
- Discharge Planning
- Appointment before D/C

Transitions Programs

- Care Transitions Intervention
- Chronic Care Coordination
- Collaborative Care Management
- D/C Planning & Home F/Up
- Home Healthcare Telemedicine
- Hospital to NH Transitions
- Medication Reconciliation Programs

Post-discharge Programs

- Timely communication and appointments
- F/Up phone calls
- Home Visits

Payment Incentives

- Value-based Purchasing
- ACOs Shared Savings
- Bundled Payments
- Capitation

Overview of High Quality Transitional Care Programs

“BOOST”

Better Outcomes for Older Adults
Through Safe Transitions

<http://www.hospitalmedicine.org>

“Project RED”

Re-Engineered Discharge:
Enhanced hospital D/C Plan

<https://www.bu.edu/fammed/project-red>

“Care Transition Program”

Transition Coach
Trained Volunteers
Empowered patients &
caregivers

<http://www.caretransitions.org>

“POLST” (or “MOLST”)

Physician (or Medical)
Orders for Life Sustaining
Treatment

Advanced Care Planning

<http://www.ohsu.edu/polst>

“Bridge Model”

SW coordinating Aging Resource
Center Services @ Hospital D/C

<http://www.transitionalcare.org/the-bridge-model>

“Transitional Care Model”

APN coordinates care
during/after D/C

<http://www.transitionalcare.info/index.html>

“INTERACT”

*(Interventions to Reduce
Acute Care Transfers)*

Communication tools, Care Paths,
Advance Care Planning Tools and
QI

<http://interact2.net>



The Discharge Alternative



Mission Statement

To provide high-quality transition of care services for discharged Medicaid- eligible elders of Tarrant County.

The STEP Team

STEP Goals

Reduce *all-cause* 30 day hospital readmissions

Decrease falls

Improve Quality of Life



- Medical Director/Physicians
- Nurse Practitioners
- Social Workers
- Physical Therapists
- Medical Assistant
- Pharmacist
- Administrative Assistant
- Data Analyst
- Program Manager

STEP's History

The STEP Timeline

2012	2013	October 2013-January 2014	January 2014-May 2014	June 2, 2014
1115 Waiver for Discharge Planning and Care Transition Services Plan Submitted by UNTHSC for CMS Approval	1115 Waiver for Discharge Planning and Care Transition Services Approved by CMS	Discharge Planning and Care Transition 1115 Waiver given name STEP-"Safe Transitions for the Elderly Patient"	Evidence Based Care Transition and Discharge Planning Protocols Developed and Tested by STEP Team	STEP Began Providing Services
		Bulk of STEP Team Hired: Medical Director Nurse Practitioners Social Workers Physical Therapists Medical Assistant Pharmacist Administrative Assistant Data Analyst Program Manager	<u>Key Points:</u> <i>-Nearly two years in the planning of STEP</i> <i>-STEP is the classic definition of a "start-up"</i> <i>-Many changes along the way that continue... "building the plane" while still in flight!</i>	

Eligibility

- Medicaid +/- eligible
- 50 years and older
- Tarrant County Resident
- Not disease specific--any diagnosis
- Discharged from inpatient or observation

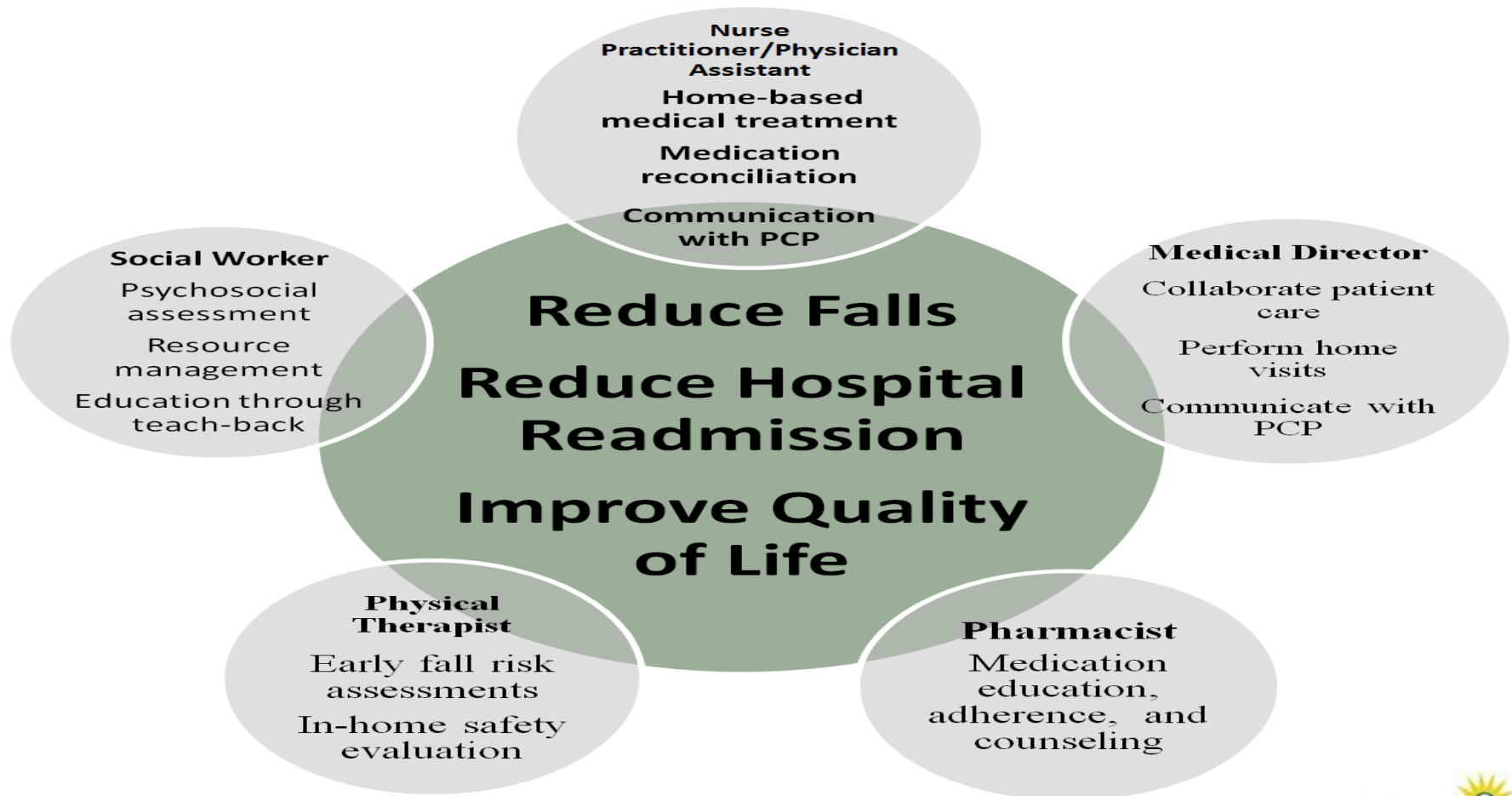


STEP Services

Holistic Care: meeting the patient's social, financial, spiritual, physical, and medical needs

- ✓ Provide in-home interdisciplinary evaluation and treatment for up to **90 days** post hospital discharge
- ✓ Re-establish patients with primary care providers for continued outpatient management
- ✓ Connect with community partners and resources
- ✓ Extensive physical therapy services

Team Approach to Care



Factors That Makes STEP Unique

- Medical Director makes an in-home visit with EVERY STEP patient
- Re-connects patients with their PCP or finds a PCP
- Not restricted by Medicaid, Medicare, or other managed care rules
- Collaborative effort to improve quality of care and access to care and community services.



- One-stop shopping—All providers are from the same team: UNT Health Science Center!
- No competing interests
- **The patient is the center of our services!**

Data, Metrics, and Milestones, Oh My!

- Key STEP data after two months:
 - 32 patients enrolled and counting
 - Lowered age eligibility for STEP from 65 years old to 50 years old in July 2014
 - Accepting referrals from observation and inpatient discharges

Partner Hospitals and Referral Counts



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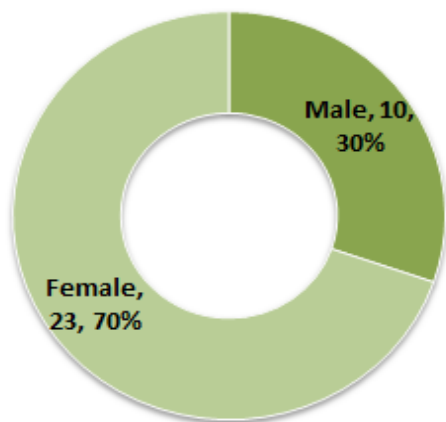
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Reasons for declined referrals:

Reasons for not being accepted into STEP	Hospital						Total
	THR FW	Baylor	JPS	Plaza	Methodist	THR SW	
Patient did not give consent	0	2	0	3	0	1	6
Patient was sent to rehab or nursing home after d/c	4	2	0	1	0	0	7
Patient does not live in Tarrant County	1	1	0	1	2	0	5
Patient's income was too high	0	2	0	0	5	0	7
Unable to locate patient (transient)	1	1	0	4	0	0	6
Total	6	7	0	3	7	1	31

STEP Patient Demographics

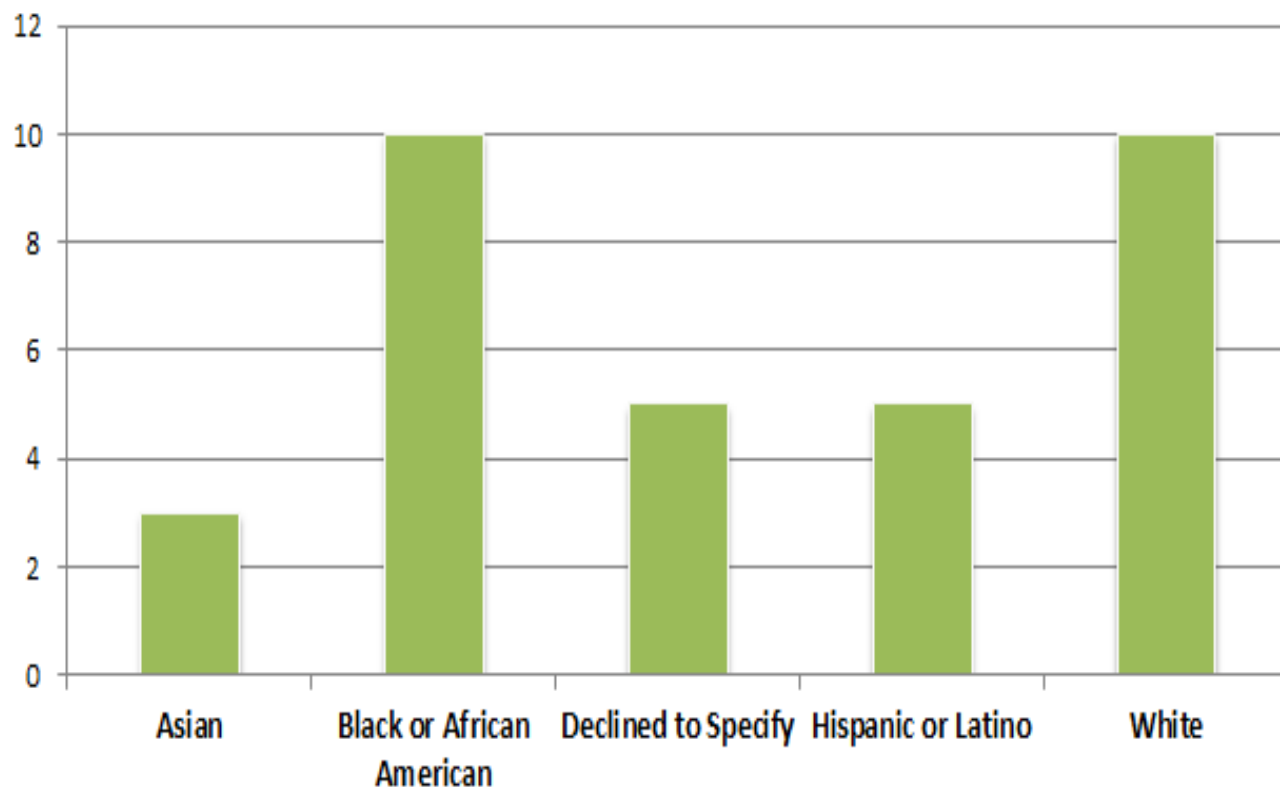
Gender



Mean Age: 72

Median Age: 70

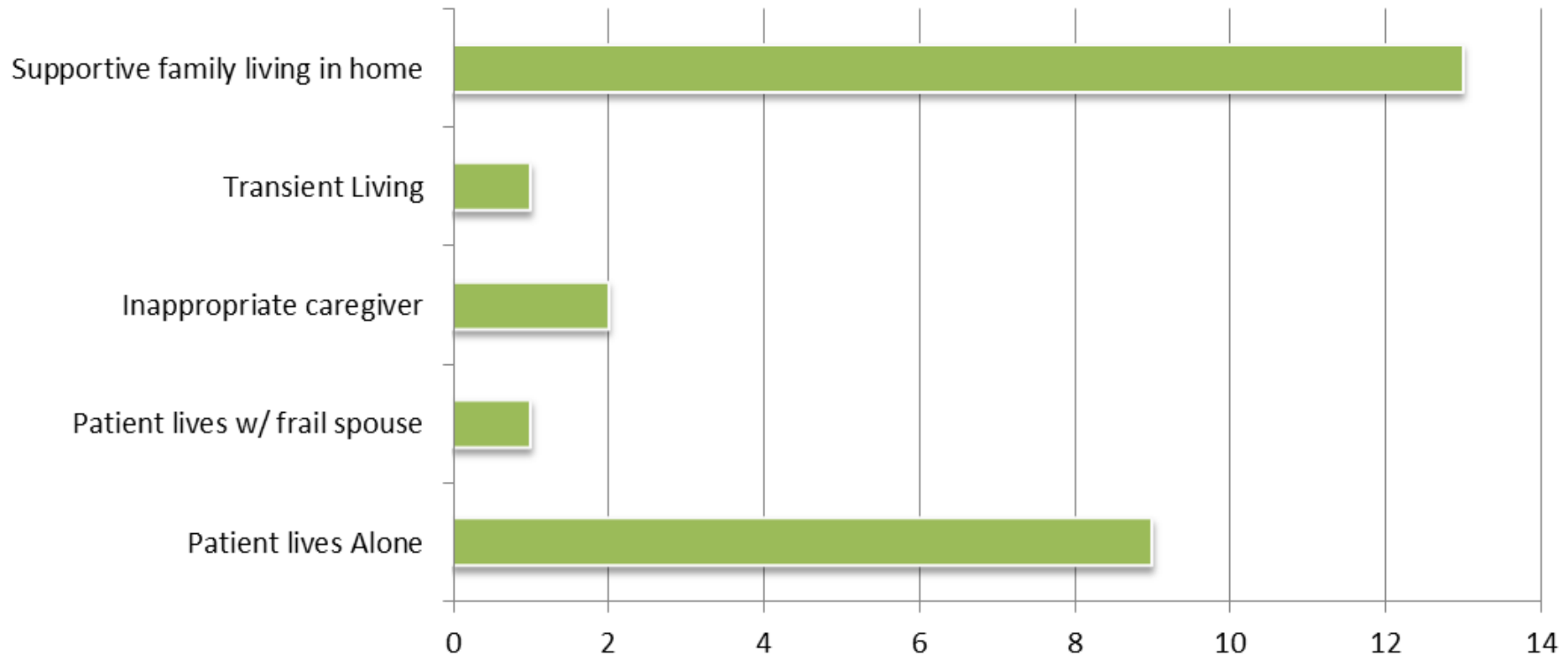
Race/Ethnicity



STEP

Patient Demographics

Living Arrangements

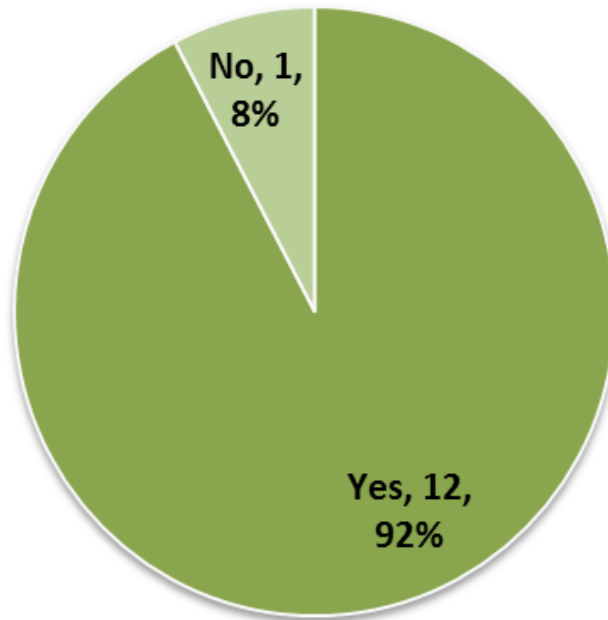


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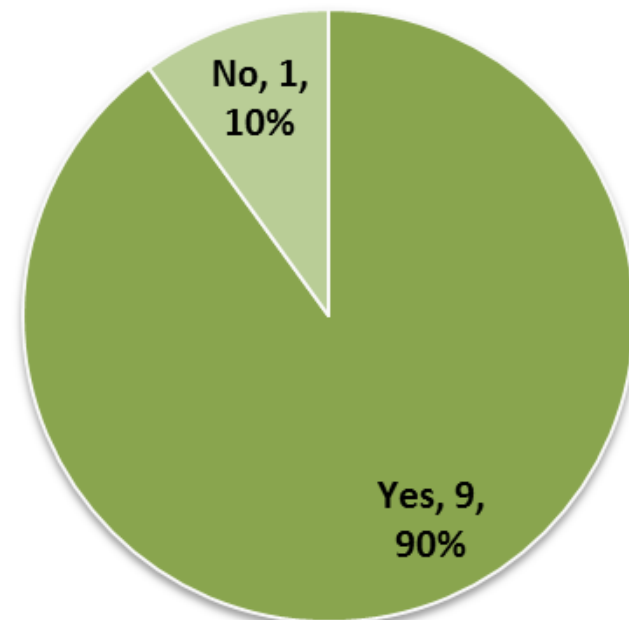
Patient Demographics

Monthly income range: \$721 - \$1200

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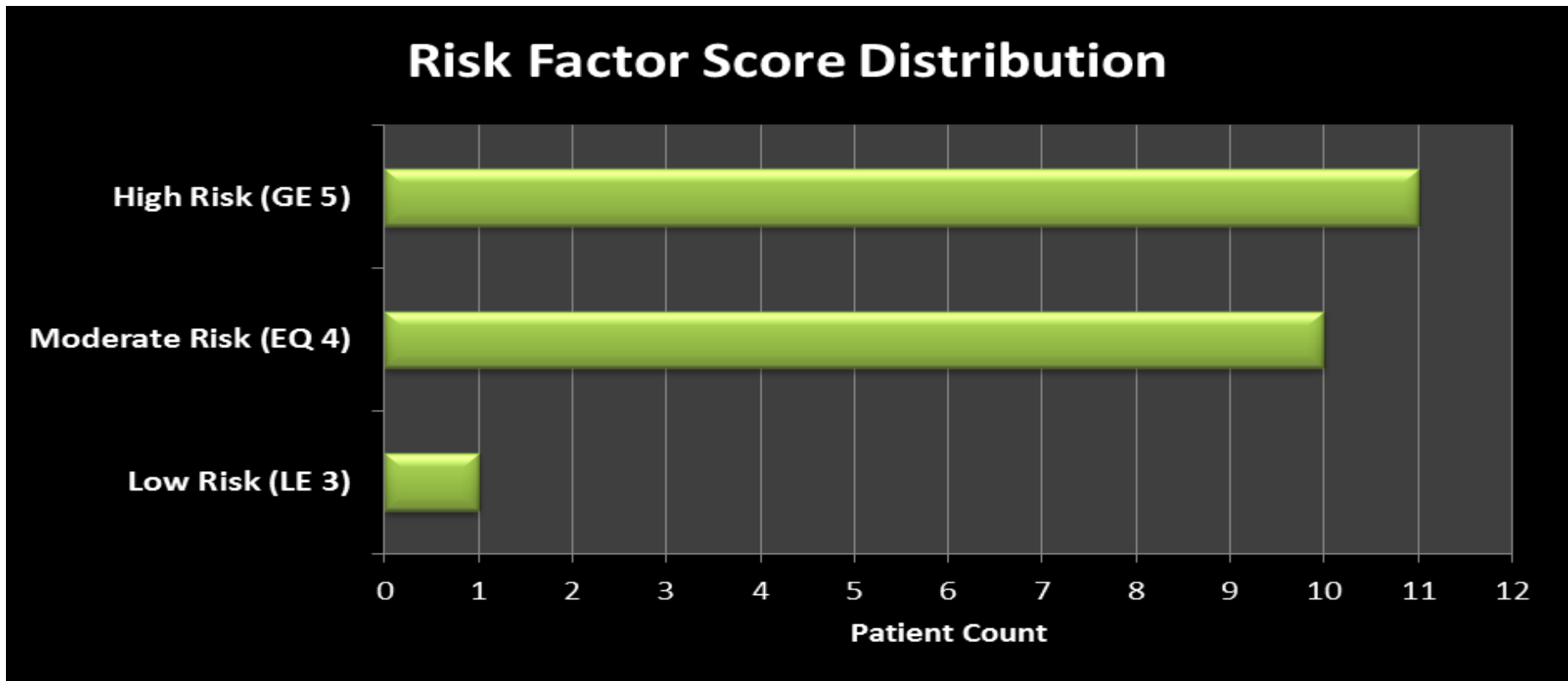


Food Stamps



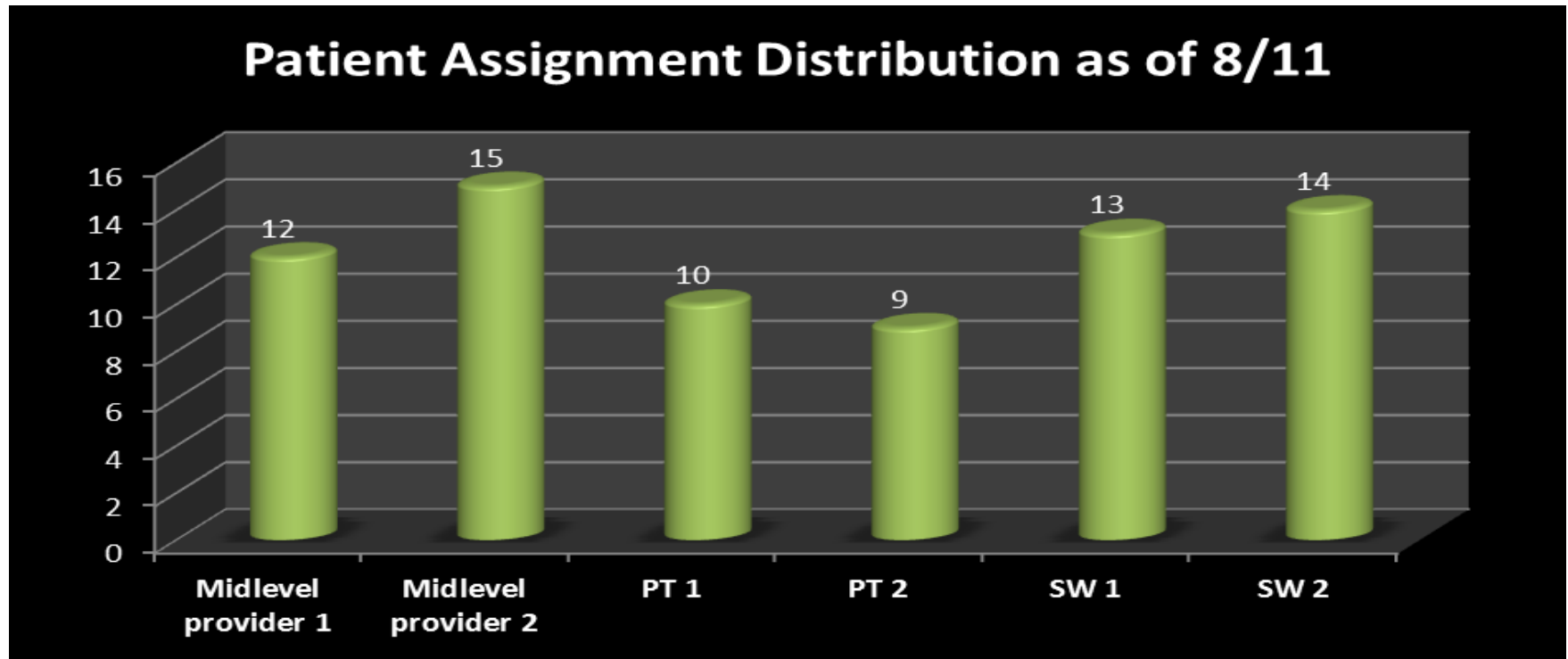
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Baseline Scores for Risk Assessment Tool:



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Patient distribution:



The CQI Imperative

- Use PDSA/rapid cycle improvement, gap analysis, and other methods to evaluate and improve services. Examples of CQI efforts include:
 - Internal audits for quality assurance and continuous improvement of data collection methods
 - Conducted gap analysis to re-design consenting process and establish measures of success
 - Performed PDSA to improve efficiency and focus of Interdisciplinary Group (IDG) meetings

STEP Outreach & Marketing Activities

- Over 77 STEP Promotional Events Since January 2014
- STEP Community Outreach Events in February, April, June, and July With a Combined 200+ attendees
- Presented STEP to:
 - 7 home health agencies
 - 4 hospitalist groups
 - 7 Tarrant County hospitals
 - 15 charity and community organizations
 - Multiple local public and private healthcare partners with 1115 Waiver projects

STEP Success Story

- **65 year old female** admitted for infection and wound dehiscence of an arteriovenous fistula

Challenges included:

- ESRD, multiple comorbidities
- Social challenges: no family support or transportation, infestation, fragmented care
- Patient was not properly insured-Medicaid application incomplete

STEP Success Story

STEP Program Interventions:

Coordination of care with PCP/specialists/social needs/and therapy/NP
Prevented rehospitalization

Establish home health services (HHS) and reconnect patient with PCP

Pharmacist completed medication reconciliation & coordinated
pharmacy benefits (free, ensuring continuous access to medications)

Arranged reliable transportation to dialysis appointments

Arranged home disinfection of bed-bugs through UNTHSC School of
Public Health and charity and community resources

Provided assistance with acquisition of Medicaid

Provided comprehensive physical therapy services: evaluation and fall
risk identification, provided therapeutic exercises and performed and home
safety assessment to de-clutter home and improve home safety

Questions and Feedback

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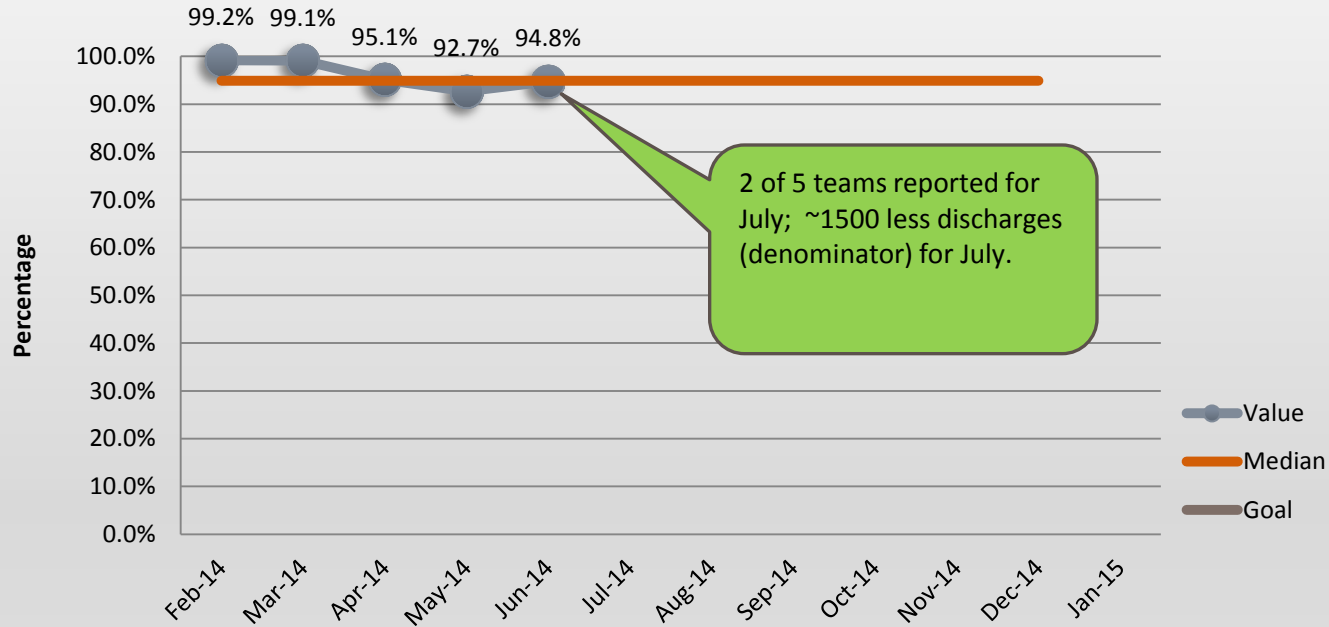
Measures Progress Update

July 2014 Data Reporting

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Care Transition - Inpatient

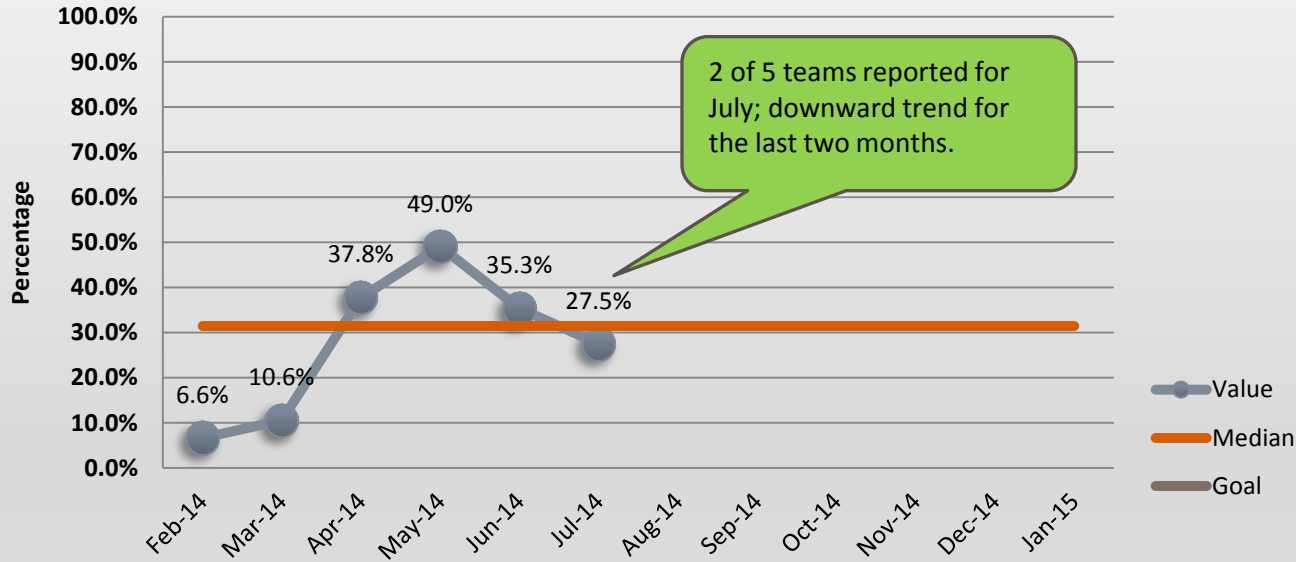
Collaborative (2 of 5 Teams): Percentage discharged patients who received written discharge summary



	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15
Value	99.2%	99.1%	95.1%	92.7%	94.8%							
Median	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	
Goal												
Numerator:	1722	6461	6333	6706	6681	5152						
Denominator:	1736	6520	6660	7236	7049	5482						

Care Transition - Inpatient

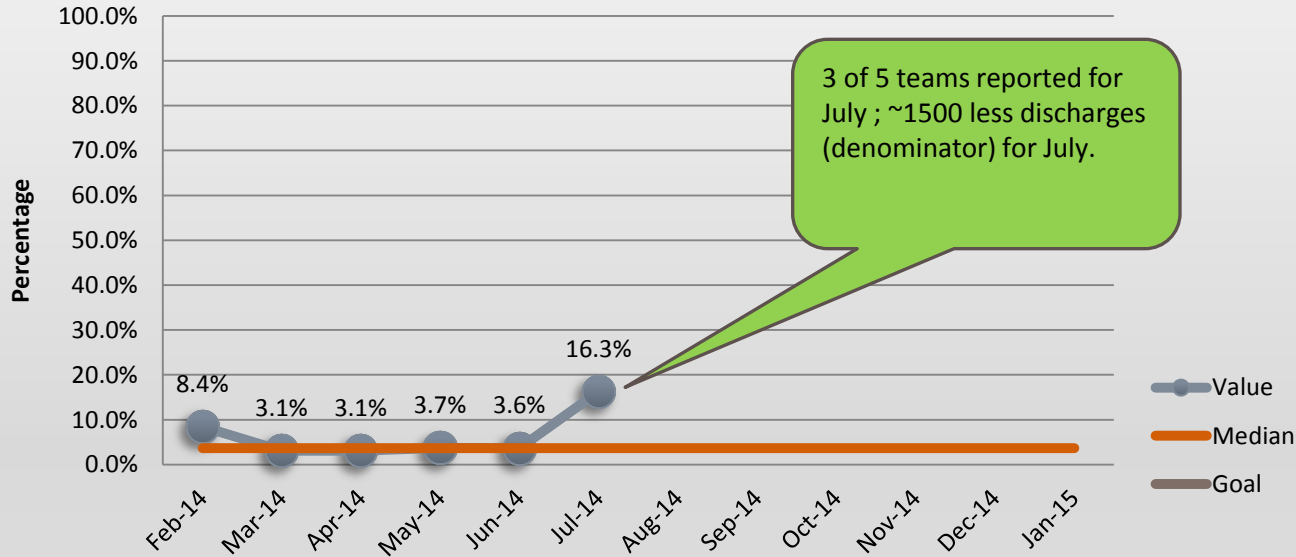
Collaborative (2 of 5 Teams): Percentage discharged patients whose follow-up provider rec'd summary within 7 days



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Value	6.6%	10.6%	37.8%	49.0%	35.3%	27.5%						
Median	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%	31.4%
Goal												
Numerator:	26	52	182	251	135	110						
Denominator:	391	492	482	512	382	400						

Care Transition - Inpatient

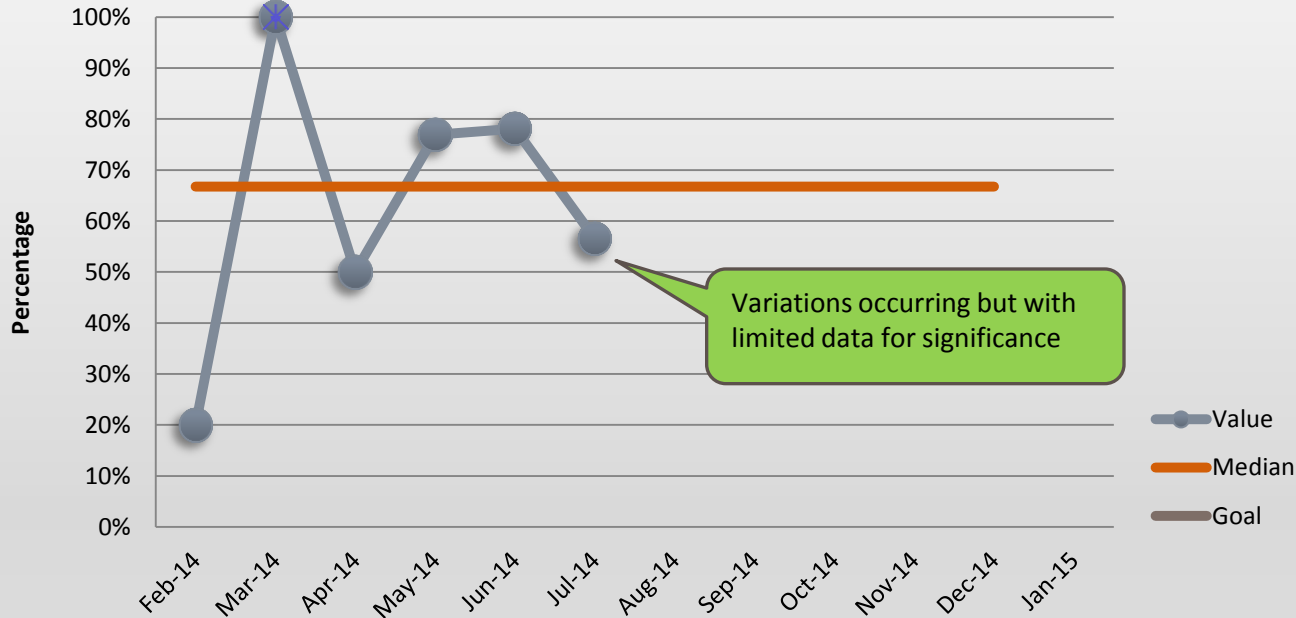
Collaborative (3 of 5 Teams): Percentage discharged patients with community provider contact within 7 days



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Value	8.4%	3.1%	3.1%	3.7%	3.6%	16.3%						
Median	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Goal												
Numerator:	150	218	206	268	258	898						
Denominator:	1778	7011	6694	7257	7074	5514						

Care Transition - Outpatient

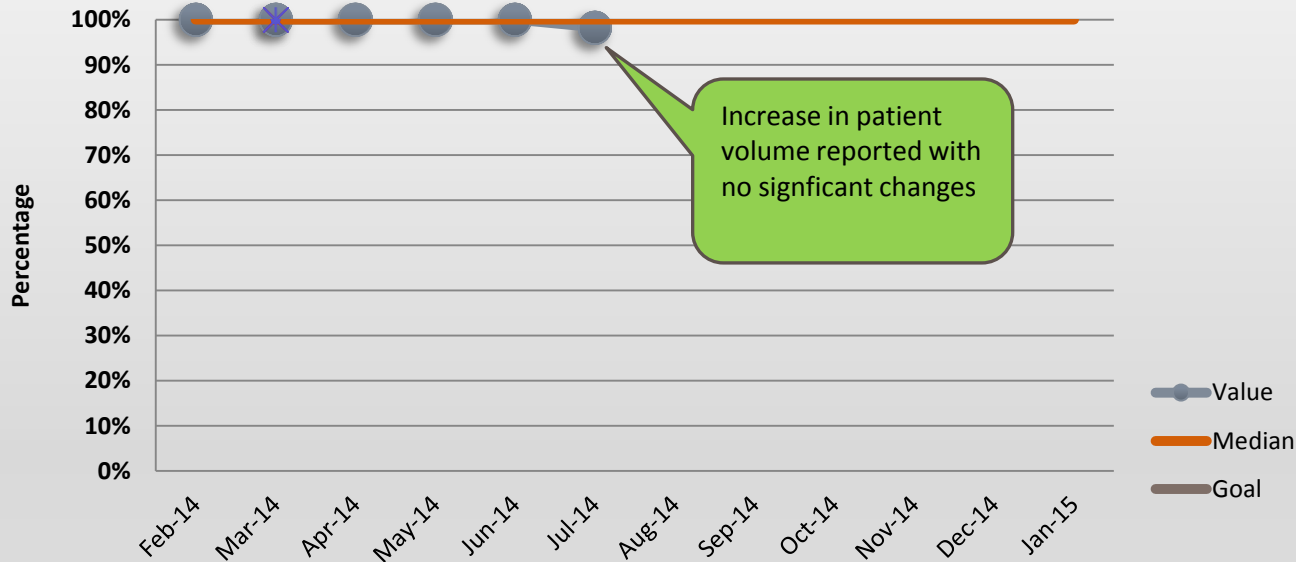
Collaborative (2 Teams): Percentage Care Coord follow-up with patient



	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15
Value	20%	100%	50%	77%	78%	57%						
Median	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	
Goal												
Numerator	1	1	1	10	25	13						
Denominator	5	1	2	13	32	23						

Care Transition - Outpatient

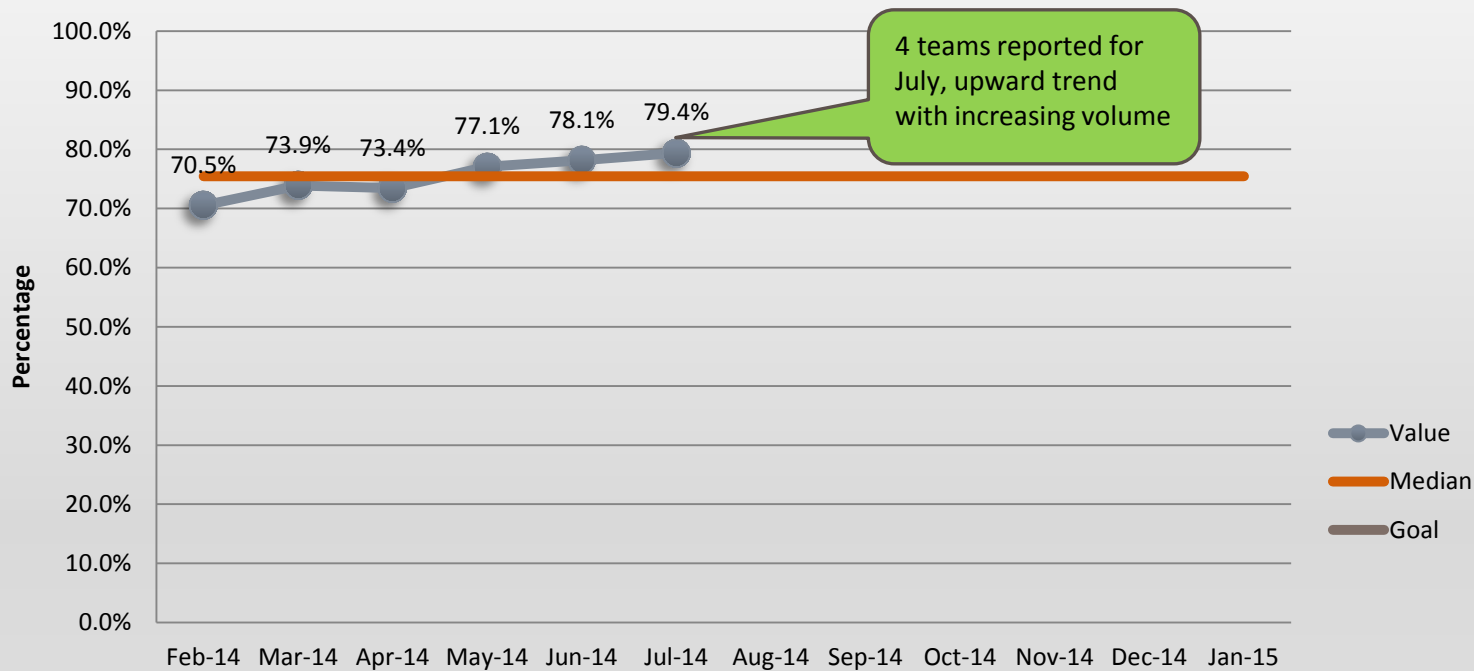
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Value	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	98%						
Median	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Goal												
Numerator	5	1	13	22	24	60						
Denominator	5	1	13	22	24	61						

Behavioral Health

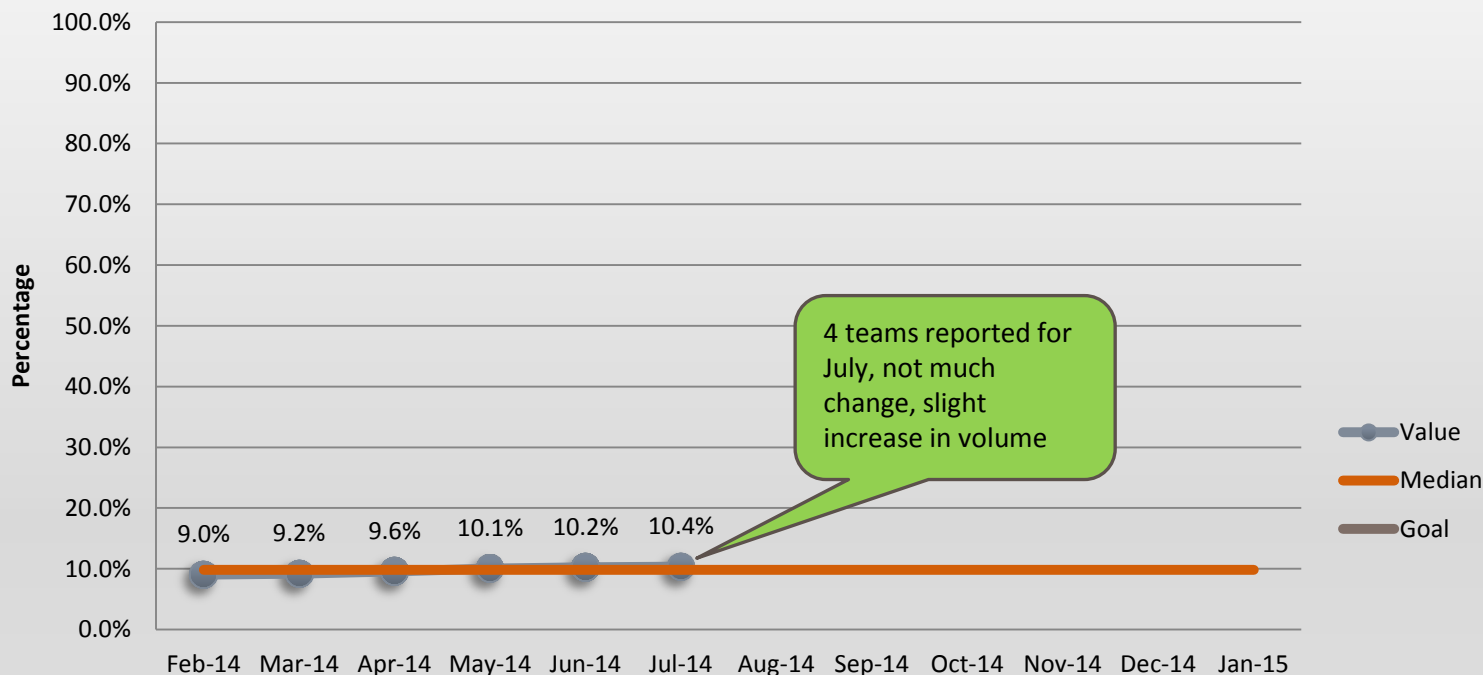
Collaborative (4 Teams): Percentage patients screened with cross-specialty tool



	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15
Value	70.5%	73.9%	73.4%	77.1%	78.1%	79.4%						
Median	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%	75.5%
Goal												
Numerator	12764	14530	15433	16781	17957	19082						
Denominator	18099	19667	21016	21778	22979	24028						

Behavioral Health

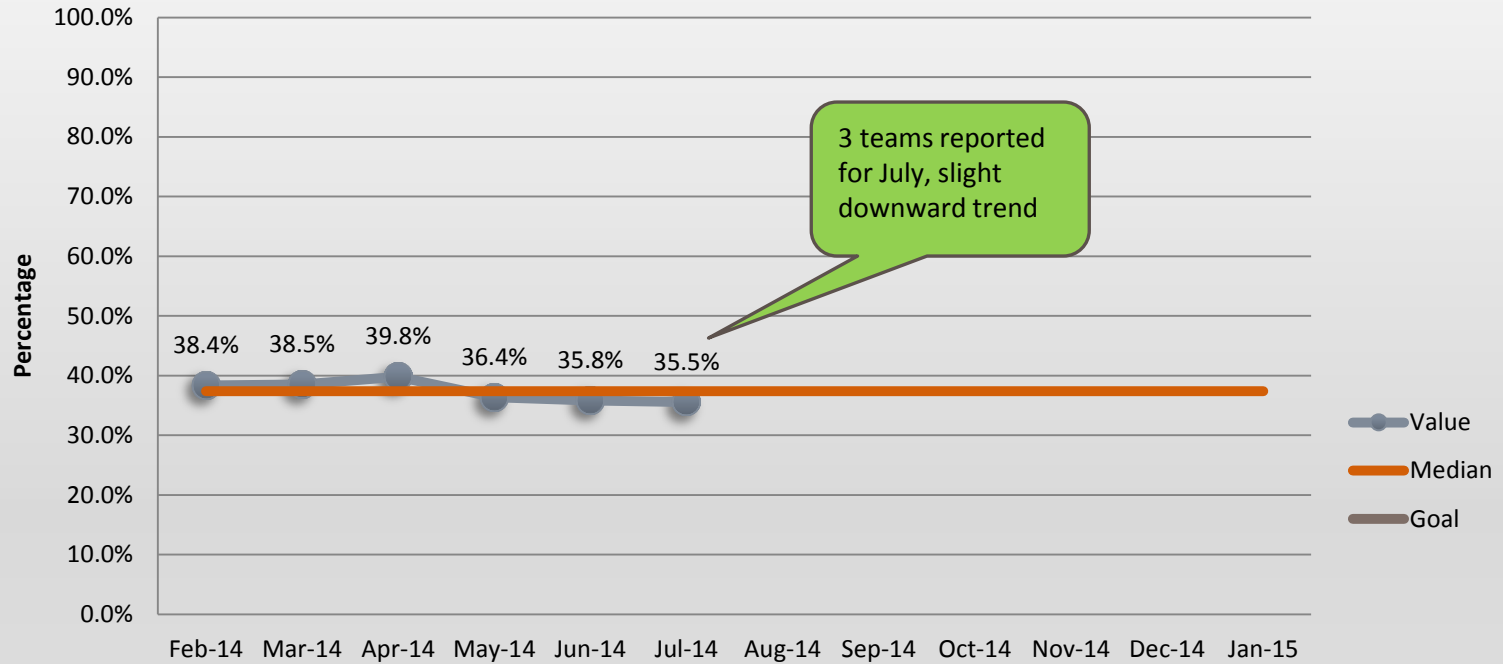
Collaborative (4 Teams): Percentage patients received integrated care intervention



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Value	9.0%	9.2%	9.6%	10.1%	10.2%	10.4%						
Median	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%
Goal												
Numerator	1629	1803	2004	2185	2347	2485						
Denominator	18028	19563	20932	21727	22940	23989						

Behavioral Health

Collaborative (3 Teams): Percentage patients whose condition improved with intervention



	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15
Value	38.4%	38.5%	39.8%	36.4%	35.8%	35.5%						
Median	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%	37.4%
Goal												
Numerator	6512	6587	6587	6146	6095	6043						
Denominator	16970	17098	16550	16893	17020	16999						



Upcoming Events and Next Steps

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Upcoming Events

Behavioral Health Site Visit at MHMR Tarrant County

Date: Monday, August 25, 2014

Time: 9:00 - 11:00 am

Place: 3840 Hulen St, North Tower, Ft. Worth, TX 76107 (In the 4th floor Board Room)

Region 10 Learning Collaborative –Learning Session 2

Date: Thursday, September 25, 2014

Time: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Place: Hilton Hotel, Downtown Fort Worth: 815 Main Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Registration Link: **Registration required**, please register at:

<http://rhp10txwaiver.com/informationresources/registration92514.html>

The Clinical and Quality Committee Meeting

To begin the Learning Collaborative for DY 4

Date: Tentatively scheduled for **October 16, 2014**

Time: **10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Place: TBD

Region 10 Learning Collaborative Learning Session 2-Speaker Information

Speaker	Tricia Nguyen, MD
Biography	<p>Tricia Nguyen, M.D., joined Texas Health Resources in September 2013 as the system’s executive vice president for population health and president of the Texas Health Population Health, Education & Innovation Center. Nguyen joined Texas Health from Banner Health Network in Arizona, where she served as chief medical officer. Nguyen has a broad range of experience working with providers, hospitals and payers, all focused on establishing the foundations for population health and outcomes-based reimbursement.</p>
Topic	Care Transitions

Region 10 Learning Collaborative Learning Session 2-Speaker Information

Speaker	Kevin W. O’Neil, MD, FACP, CMD
Biography	<p>Dr. O’Neil is the CMO of Brookdale Senior Living. He practiced and taught geriatric medicine for over 30 years. He is the Co-Director for the CMS Health Innovations Challenge Grant awarded to UNTHSC in collaboration with Brookdale Senior Living. This grant provides funding to expand and test the Brookdale Transitions of Care Program, which incorporates INTERACT (Interventions to Reduce Acute Care Transfers), an evidenced-based quality improvement program developed by Dr. Joseph Ouslander and colleagues, to reduce hospitalizations and readmissions for residents living in skilled nursing, assisted living, and independent living communities.</p>
Topic	Innovation and Transformation in Transitional Care

Region 10 Learning Collaborative Learning Session 2-Speaker Information

Speaker	Benjamin Miller, Psy.D.
Biography	<p>Dr. Miller is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine where he is the Director of the Office of Integrated Healthcare Research and Policy. He leads the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality’s Academy for Integrating Behavioral and Primary Care project as well as the highly touted Sustaining Healthcare Across Integrated Primary Care Efforts (SHAPE) project in Colorado and Oregon. Dr. Miller’s research interests include models of integrating mental health and primary care, health behavior interventions, primary care practice redesign, using practice-based research networks to advance whole person healthcare, and healthcare policy.</p>
Topic	Seamlessly Integrating Behavioral Health Across Healthcare

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Provider	Participant
MCA	Kathleen Sweeney
Cook Children's	-
TCPH	-
MHMRTC	Mahie Ghoraiishi, Elewechi Ndukwe, Erin Fogarty, Shelly Adkins, Christopher McMullen, Illayna Miller, Michael Parker, Edna Chism-Nicholas, Camille Patterson
NHH	Kathleen Sweeney
Lake Granbury Medical Center	-
PMC	Kathleen Sweeney
Huguley	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
THFW	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
THSW	Charisse Huey, Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
THS	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
Ennis Regional	Edwina Minor, Edwina Henry
Lakes Regional	Robert Johnson
JPS Hospital	Heather Beal, Alan Townsend, Susan Reed, Julie Idoine, Victor Henderson, Gillian Franklin, Annie Goodrich, Carol Johnson, Gwen Darby, Kathy Owens, Michelle Reed, Brenda Gomez, Christine Putz, Jo Hamilton, Aubrie Augustus, Vincent Do, Dr. Carter, Hunter Gatewood, Robert Hernandez, Salil Shilotri, Shelly Corporon, Lori Muhr, Erica Hilliard, Yvonne Kyle
UT Southwestern Moncrief Cancer Institute	Paula Anderson, Emily Berry
THAZ	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
Helen Farabee	-
Wise Regional	Margaret, Polly, Wanda Villard
THAM	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
Pecan Valley	-
THC	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
Baylor	Tonya Selman, Jennifer Anderson
THHEB	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan
Dallas Children's	Robert Hewson

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UNTHSC	Jeanie Foster, Andrew Harmon
JPS PG	-
Methodist Mansfield	Stacie Anderson
Wise PG	Margaret, Polly, Wanda Villard
Glen Rose	-
Texas Health Alliance	Vicki Galati, Chris Myers, David Salsberry, Jennifer Mayhan

Other Stakeholders

Provider	Participant
Kindred	Karen White