

# **The Brave New World** **Population Health Management**

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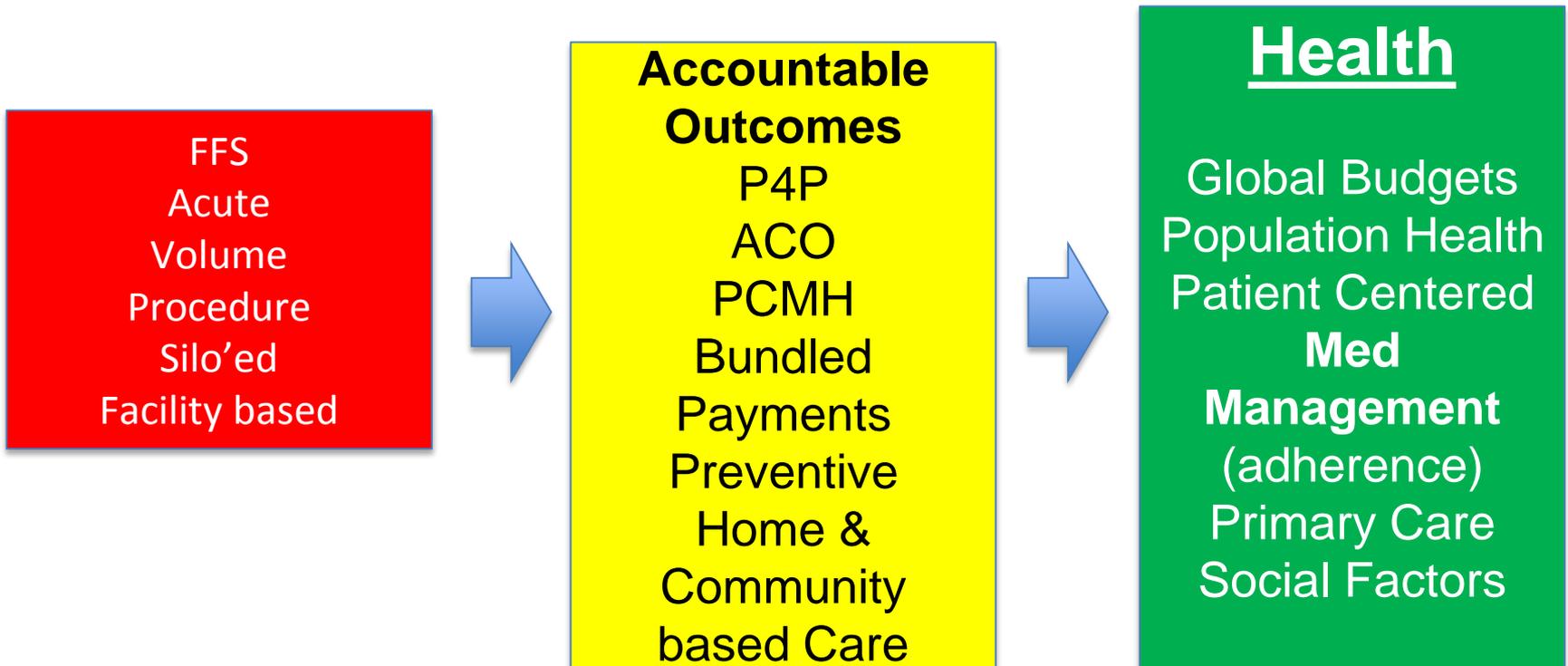
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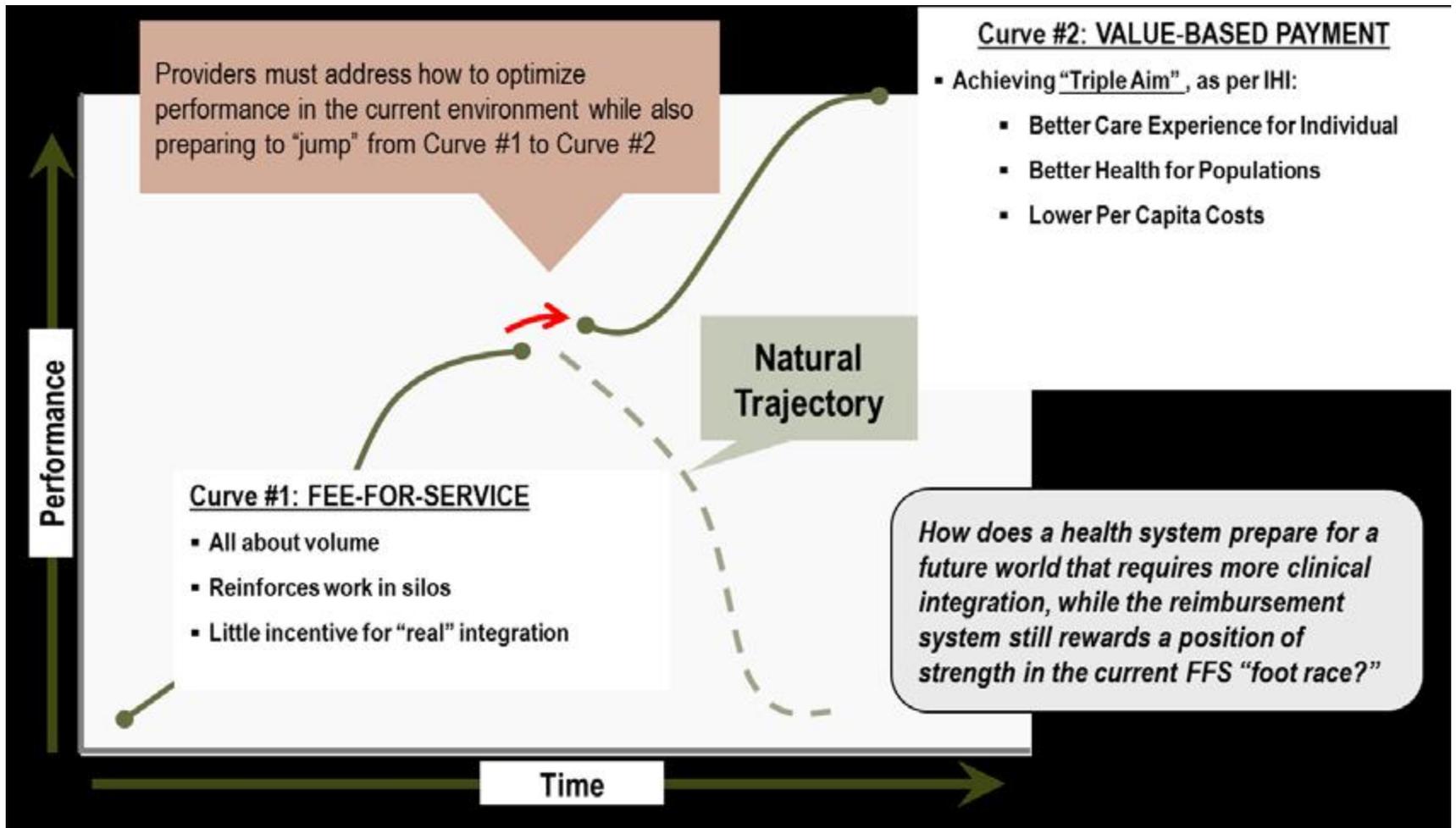
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# Successful models come into focus...

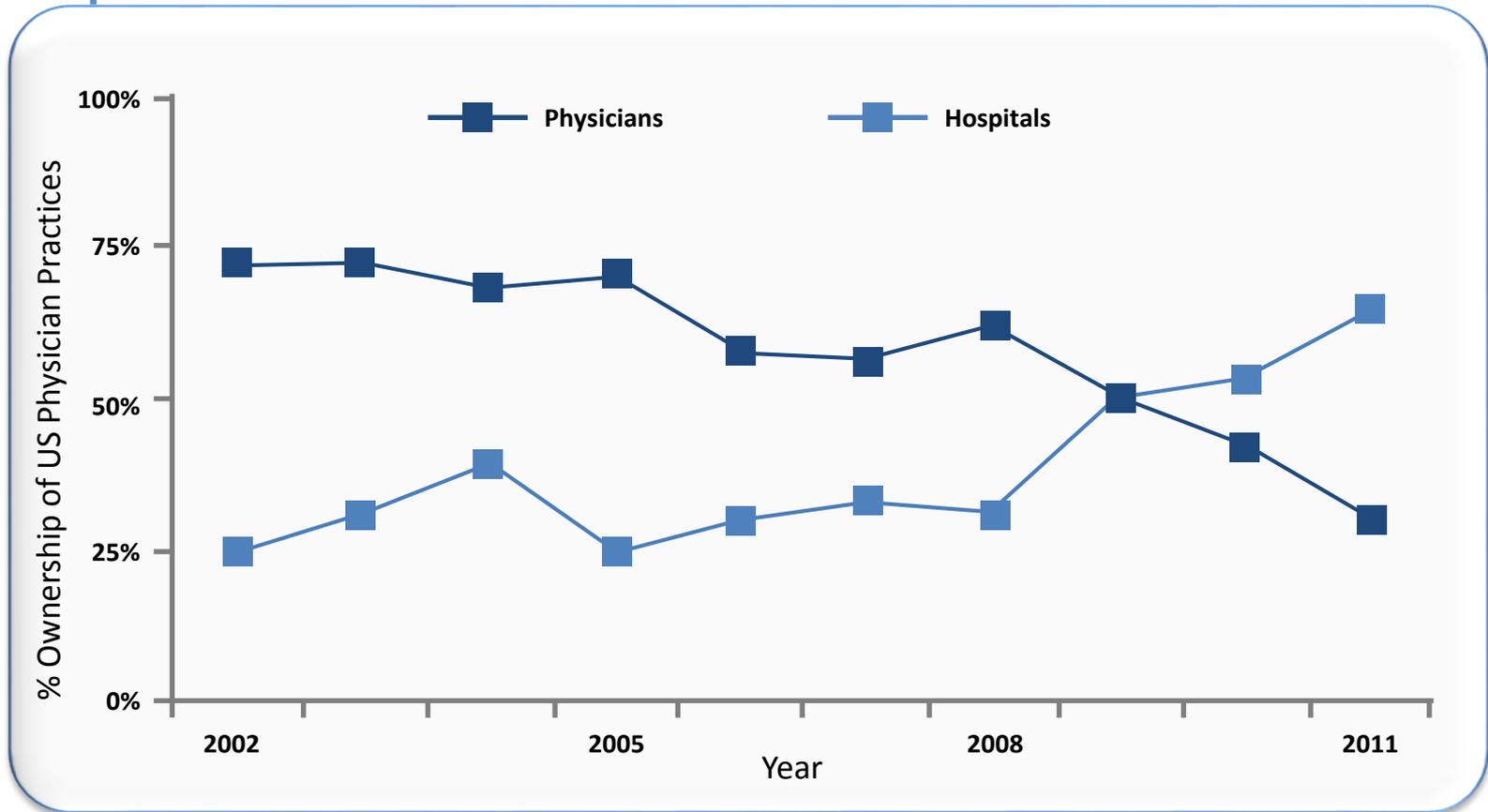


# Integrated Health Care Systems



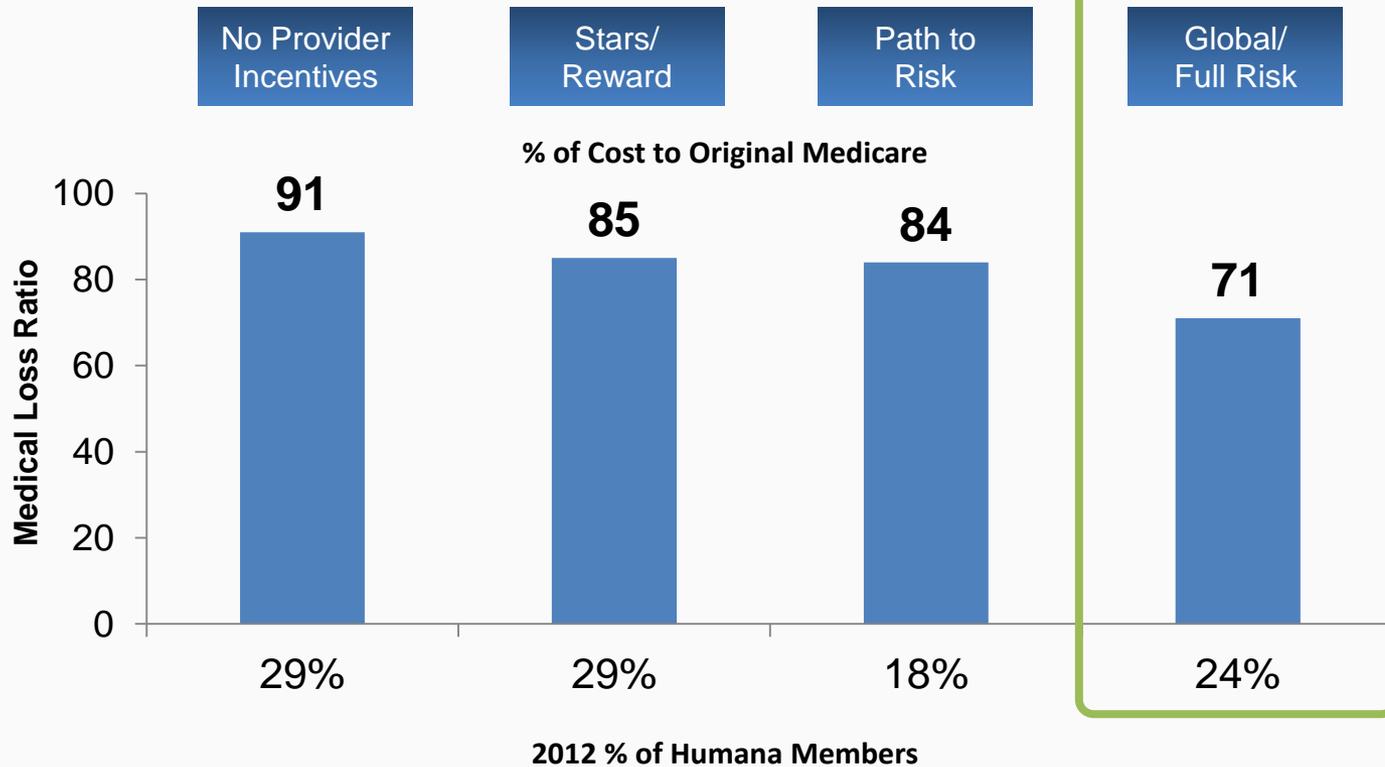


# Increased Shift From Private Practice to Hospital/IDN Models



Source: Quorum Health Resources. [http://trustee.knowledgebase.co/assets/how\\_can\\_hospitals\\_afford\\_to\\_own\\_physician\\_practices\\_-\\_08-2012.pdf](http://trustee.knowledgebase.co/assets/how_can_hospitals_afford_to_own_physician_practices_-_08-2012.pdf).

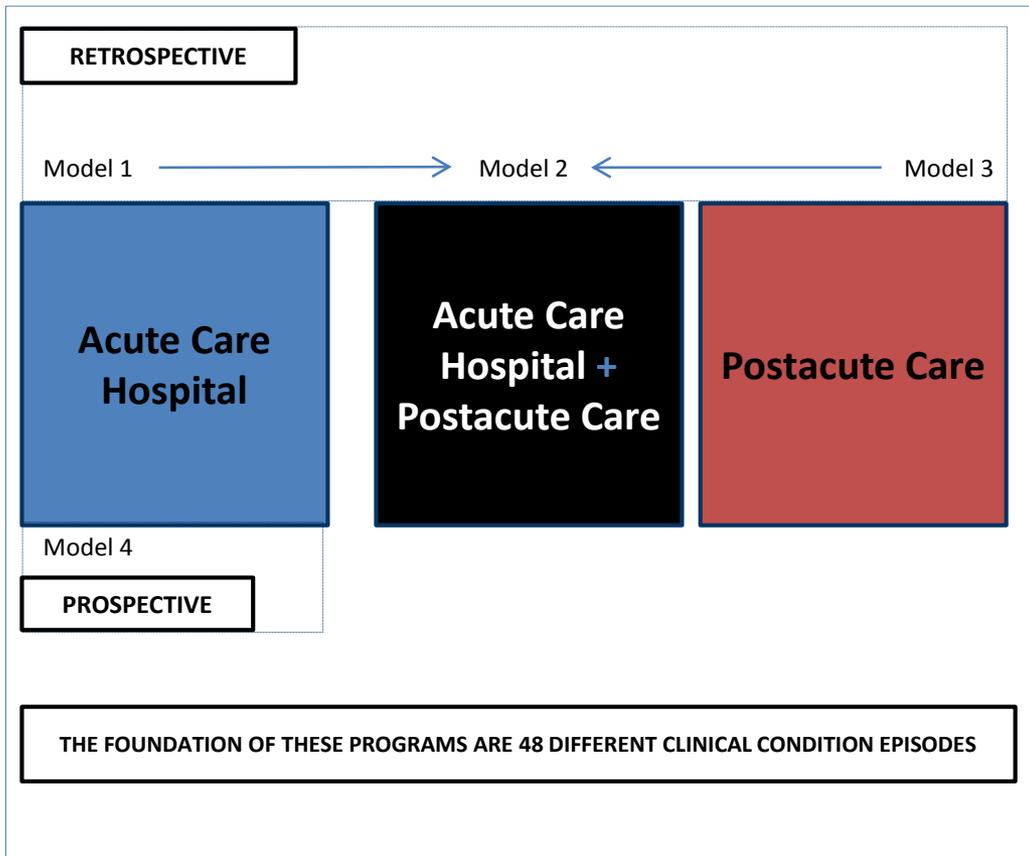
# Greater Provide Risk...Lower Utilization



Source: Humana 2012 Investor Meeting.



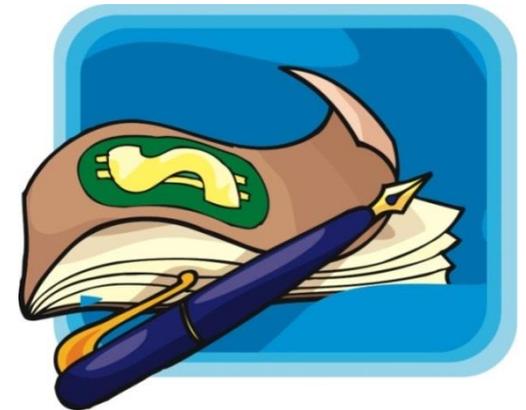
# Bundled Payment for Care Improvement Initiative (BPCI)



<b>Model 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS pays hospital discounted amount based on rates established in the Inpatient Prospective Payment System</li> <li>• CMS continues to pay physicians separately under the Physician Fee Schedule</li> <li>• Under certain circumstances, hospitals and physicians may share gains from providers' care redesign efforts</li> </ul>
<b>Model 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The episode will end either 30, 60, or 90 days after hospital discharge</li> <li>• Participants can select up to 48 different clinical condition episodes</li> </ul>
<b>Model 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Triggered by acute care stay and episode begins at initiation of postacute care services (ie, SNF, LTC, inpatient rehabilitation, home health agency)</li> <li>• Services must begin within 30 days of discharge and end a minimum of either 30, 60, or 90 days after the initiation of the episode</li> <li>• Participants can select up to 48 different clinical condition episodes</li> </ul>
<b>Model 4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS makes a single, prospectively determined bundled payment to the hospital encompassing all services furnished during the episode</li> <li>• Physicians and other practitioners will submit "no-pay" claims to CMS and will be paid by the hospital out of the bundled payment</li> <li>• Related readmissions within 30 days will be included in the bundled payment</li> <li>• Participants can select up to 48 different clinical condition episodes</li> </ul>

# Changes in Medicare Financing

- **Pay-for-Performance (“P4P”)**
  - No payment for certain complications; disincentives for avoidable hospitalizations
- **Bundling of payments** for episodes of care
- **Accountable Care Organizations** that include hospitals, physicians, home health agencies, and SNFs that are responsible for the care of a defined group of patients



# Hospital Avoidance

- Myocardial infarction
- Congestive heart failure
- Pneumonia

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Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

Total hip arthroplasty (THA) and total knee arthroplasty (TKA) [elective]



# Nursing Home Value-Based Purchasing (NHVBP) Demonstration<sup>1</sup> ...

Quality Domains (% of total score)	Measures
<b>Staffing (30%)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RNs, director of nursing hours per resident-day</li> <li>• Total licensed nursing hours per resident-day</li> <li>• Certified nurse aide hours per resident-day</li> <li>• Nursing staff turnover rate</li> </ul>
<b>Appropriate Hospitalizations (30%)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Separate measures for short and long stays</li> <li>• Based on hospitalization rates for potentially avoidable hospitalizations, risk adjusted using covariates of Medicare claims and MDS</li> </ul>
<b>MDS Outcomes (20%)</b>	<p><b>Chronic care residents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Percentage of residents whose need for help with daily activities increases</li> <li>• Percentage of residents whose ability to move in and around their room worsens</li> <li>• Percentage of high-risk residents who have pressure ulcers</li> <li>• Percentage of residents who have had a catheter left in their bladder</li> <li>• Percentage of residents who were physically restrained</li> </ul> <p><b>Postacute care residents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Percentage of residents with improving level of ADL functioning</li> <li>• Percentage of residents who improve status on mid-loss ADL functions</li> <li>• Percentage of residents experiencing failure to improve bladder incontinence</li> </ul>
<b>Survey Deficiencies (20%)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Citation for substandard quality of care or actual harm: ineligible for performance payment</li> <li>• Score values assigned according to scope and severity of survey deficiencies</li> </ul>

RN=registered nurses; MDS=Minimum Data Set; ADL=activity of daily living.

**Reference: 1.** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. *Nursing Home Value-Based Purchasing Demonstration: Fact Sheet*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; August, 2009. [http://www.cms.gov/DemoProjectsEvalRpts/downloads/NHP4P\\_FactSheet.pdf](http://www.cms.gov/DemoProjectsEvalRpts/downloads/NHP4P_FactSheet.pdf). Accessed August 24, 2010.

# Effect of Downward Funding Pressure on *Post-Acute / LTC*



Hospital



SNF

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ALF



Home

Medicare

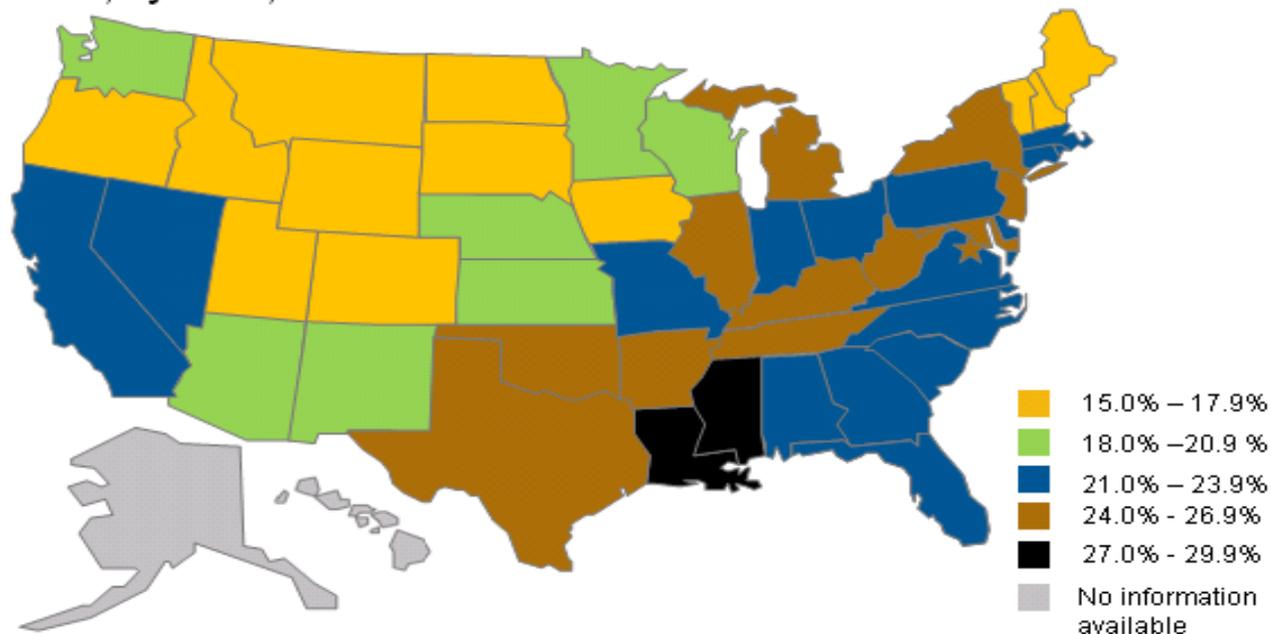


Medicaid



# 1 in 4 patients admitted to a SNF are re-admitted to the hospital within 30 days at a cost of \$4.3 billion

**Figure 3: Frequency of Rehospitalization of Short-Stay Nursing Home Residents, by State, 2006**



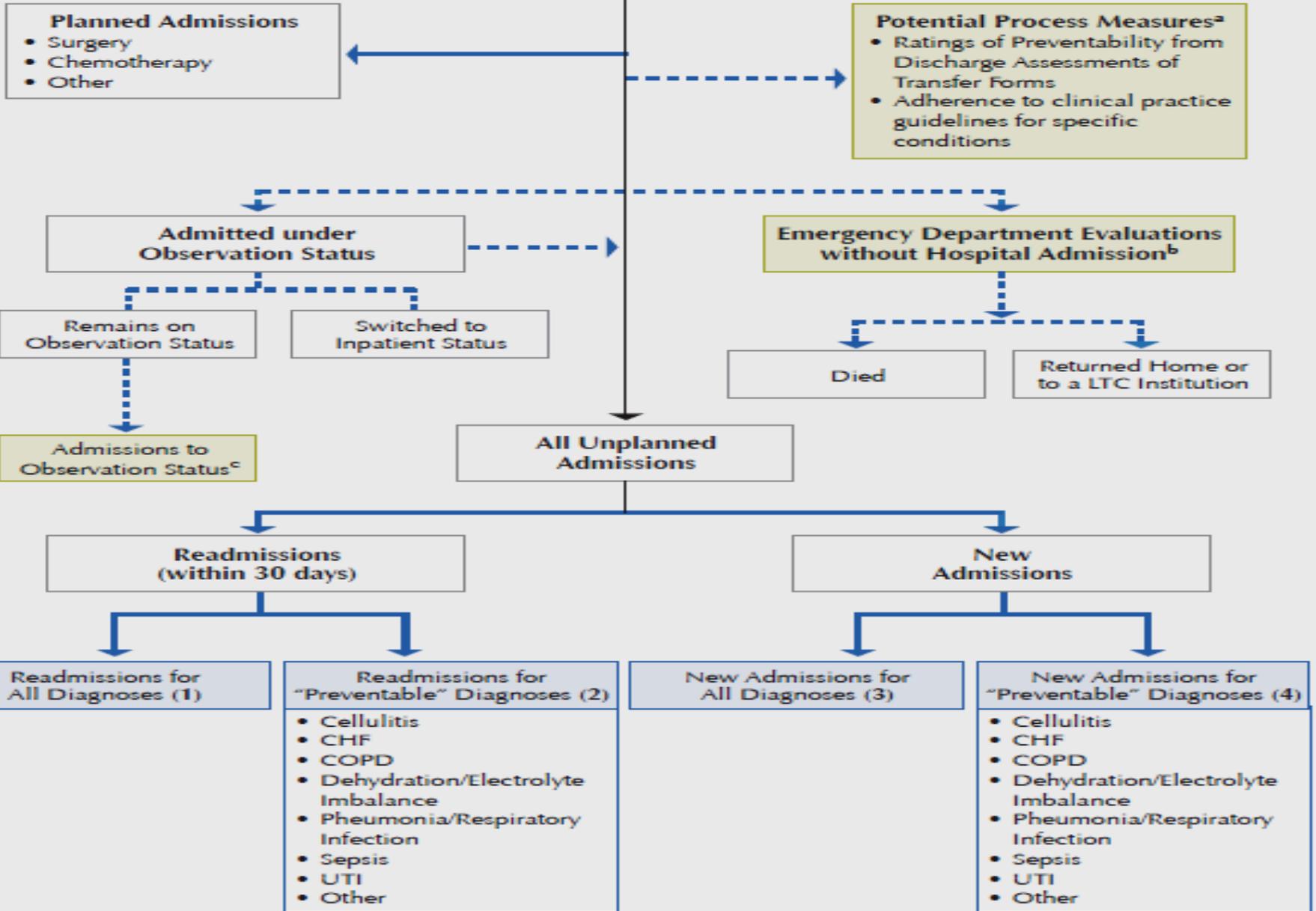
Source: Vincent Mor, et al. (2010) Medicare SNF Rehospitalizations: Implications for Medicare Payment Reform. Health Affairs.

# Getting Started: Tracking Hospital Transfers and The Quality Improvement Review Tool

## Getting Started: Keys to a QI Program:

- Tracking, trending, and benchmarking well-defined measures
  - Root cause analysis to learn and guide care improvement and educational activities
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# ALL ACUTE CARE TRANSFERS



# ACUTE CARE TRANSFER LOG



Facility Name \_\_\_\_\_ Month/Year \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Room Number	Date of most recent admission to the facility	Admitted to the facility from* (circle)	Status at time of Transfer* (circle)	Date of Transfer	Time of Transfer (circle a.m. or p.m.)	Outcome of Transfer (check which applies)		Hospital Diagnosis for ED visit or admission
						ED visit only (returned to facility)	Admitted to the hospital	
	___/___/___	Hosp H O	S LT O	___/___/___	a.m. p.m.			
	___/___/___	Hosp H O	S LT O	___/___/___	a.m. p.m.			

\*Hosp - Hospital  
H - Home  
O - Other

\* S - Skilled (Medicare Part A)  
LT - Long-term (Medicaid, private pay)  
O - Other (e.g. managed care)

# Getting Started: Tracking Hospital Transfers and The Quality Improvement Review Tool

InteractHospitalTransferTracker 2013 DRAFT.xls [Compatibility Mode] - Microsoft Excel

Home Insert Page Layout Formulas Data Review View Developer

**INTERACT**™

## Admissions from Hospital

Admissions to Your Nursing Home from an Acute Care Hospital

Today's Date: 10/31/2012

**Step 3:** List ALL admissions to your nursing home from hospital. Fields with red asterisk \* are required. This information will be used to calculate your 30-day rehospitalization rates.

Watch these residents. They are at risk of re-hospitalization within 30 days.  
 These residents were re-admitted to hospital within 30 days of admission to NH; RCA Indicated.

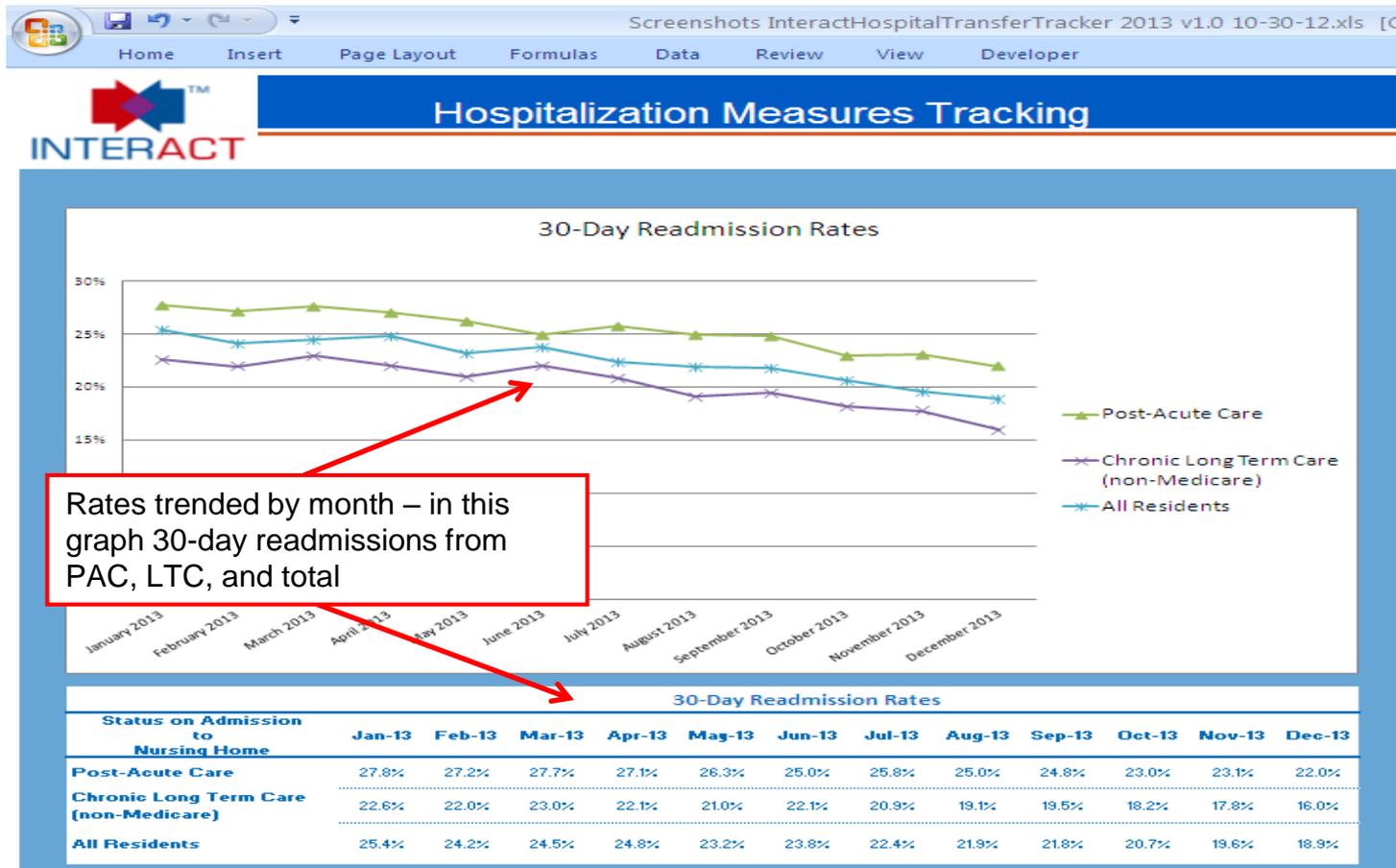
Automatic Resident Code to de-identify your file	Resident Name*	Admission Date* List all Admissions to your nursing home from acute care hospitals.	Automatic Day of Week no entry required	Status on Admission to Nursing Home*	Hospital	Automatic Hospital Code to de-identify your file
1 r6	Melpomene	07/10/12	Tuesday	Chronic Long-term Care (Not Medicare Part A)	Rose	h2
2 r7	Urania	08/20/12	Monday	Chronic Long-term Care (Not Medicare Part A)	St. Joe's	h4
3 r5	Erato	08/25/12	Saturday	Post-acute Care (Medicare Part A or managed care)	St. Joe's	h4
4 r2	Clio	09/01/12	Saturday	Post-acute Care (Medicare Part A or managed care)	Mercy	h1
5 r7	Urania	09/20/12	Thursday	Post-acute Care (Medicare Part A or managed care)	Avista	h5
6 r9	Euterpe	10/01/12	Monday	Chronic Long-term Care (Not Medicare Part A)	National Jewish	h3
7 r1	Calliope	10/12/12	Friday	Post-acute Care (Medicare Part A or managed care)	Rose	h2
8 r2	Clio	10/27/12	Saturday	Chronic Long-term Care (Not Medicare Part A)	Rose	h2

**Highlighting identifies residents at risk for 30-day readmission and those who returned to hospital within 30 days**

**Flyover boxes provide instructions for data entry**

**Status on Admission**  
 Choose 'Post Acute Care' if the resident was admitted for post-acute or rehabilitative or medical care on the Medicare Part A skilled benefit or managed care.  
 Choose 'Chronic Long Term Care' if resident was admitted for long-term care on Medicare Part A.

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Advancing Excellence tool will be located at: <http://www.nhqualitycampaign.org>

# SNF Hospitalization Rate

*subacute & long term residents*

## MONTH CENSUS

Census on First Day of the Month

A

Admissions During Month

B

Month Census



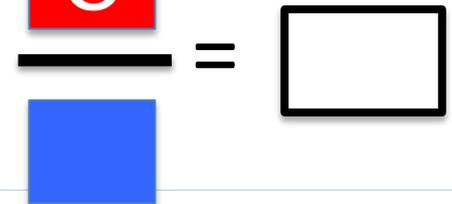
## HOSPITALIZATION PERCENTAGE

Number of Transfers to Hospital

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Over the Month

Month Census



# SNF Hospitalization Rate

*subacute patients*

## MONTH CENSUS

Census on First Day of the Month

25

Admissions During Month

15

Month Census

40

## HOSPITALIZATION PERCENTAGE

Number of Transfers to Hospital

4

Over the Month

Month Census

40

10%

# Population Health Management

## CONTENTS

- Emergency Room Decision-Support
- Worksite Weight Management
- Burden of Diabetes
- Managing Electronic Medical Records
- Genomic Testing for Obstructive CAD
- Evaluating Health Care Costs and Health Risks
- Worksite Primary Care Clinics

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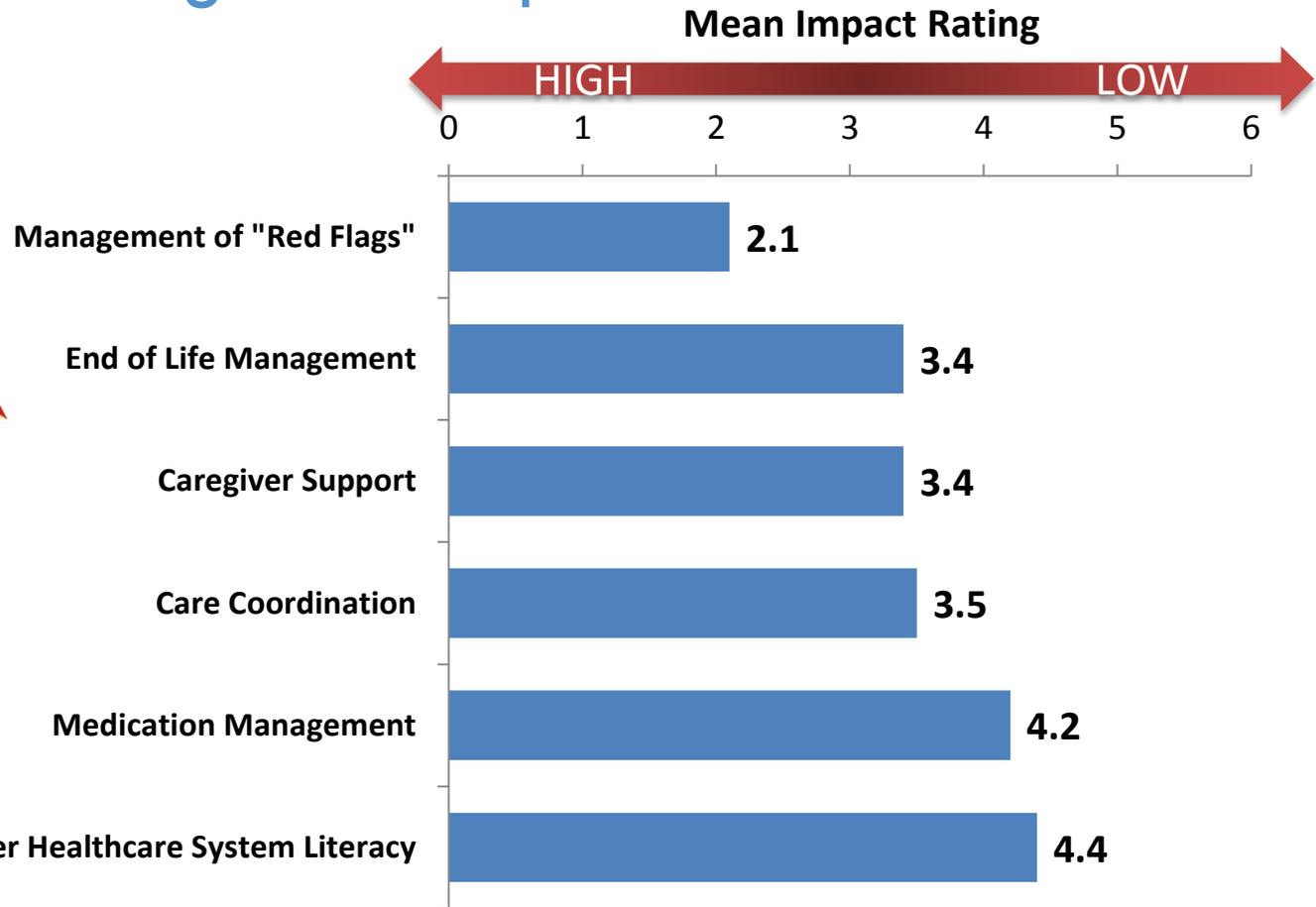
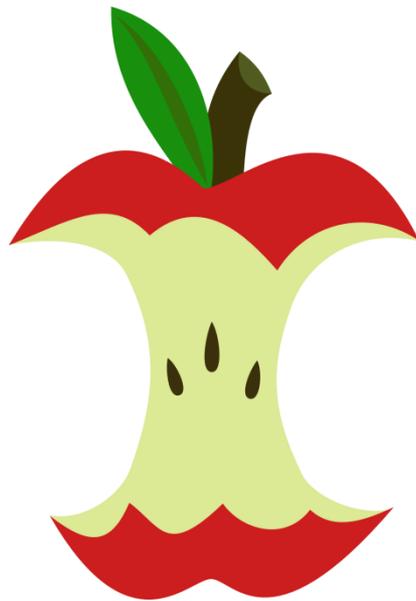


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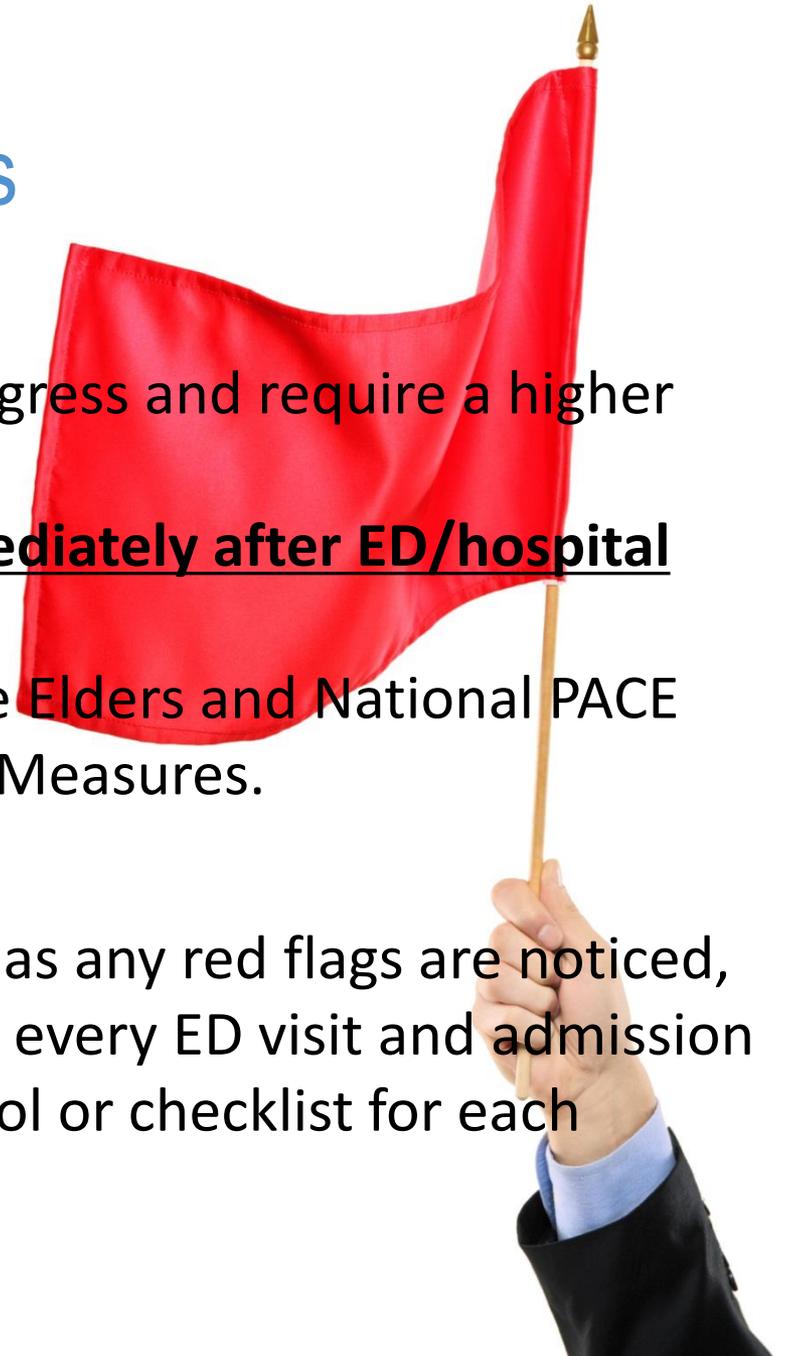
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Participant and Caregiver Healthcare System Literacy

# Management of Red Flags

- Defined as:
  - clinical issues that could progress and require a higher level of intervention,
  - **PCP visits prior to and immediately after ED/hospital visits,**
  - Assessing Care of Vulnerable Elders and National PACE Association Disease Quality Measures.
- Best practices:
  - seeing a participant as soon as any red flags are noticed,
  - evaluation of what led up to every ED visit and admission in order to develop a protocol or checklist for each participant.



# End of Life Management

- Defined as including:
  - advance directive completion,
  - assessment and intervention,
  - **health care wishes status**,
  - location of death.
- Best practices:
  - use of national standards and resources such as:
    - American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Care
    - Education in Palliative and End-of-life Care
    - PACE Pathways to Care



# EOL Resources



[www.ePrognosis.org](http://www.ePrognosis.org)

The information on ePrognosis is intended as a rough guide to inform clinicians about possible mortality outcomes.



[www.Dignityincare.ca](http://www.Dignityincare.ca)

Dignity in Care provides practical ideas and tools to support a culture of compassion and respect throughout the health care system.



[www.POLST.org](http://www.POLST.org)

The National POLST Paradigm is an approach to end-of-life planning based on conversations between patients, loved ones, and health care professionals designed to ensure that seriously ill or frail patients can choose the treatments they want or do not want and that their wishes are documented and honored.

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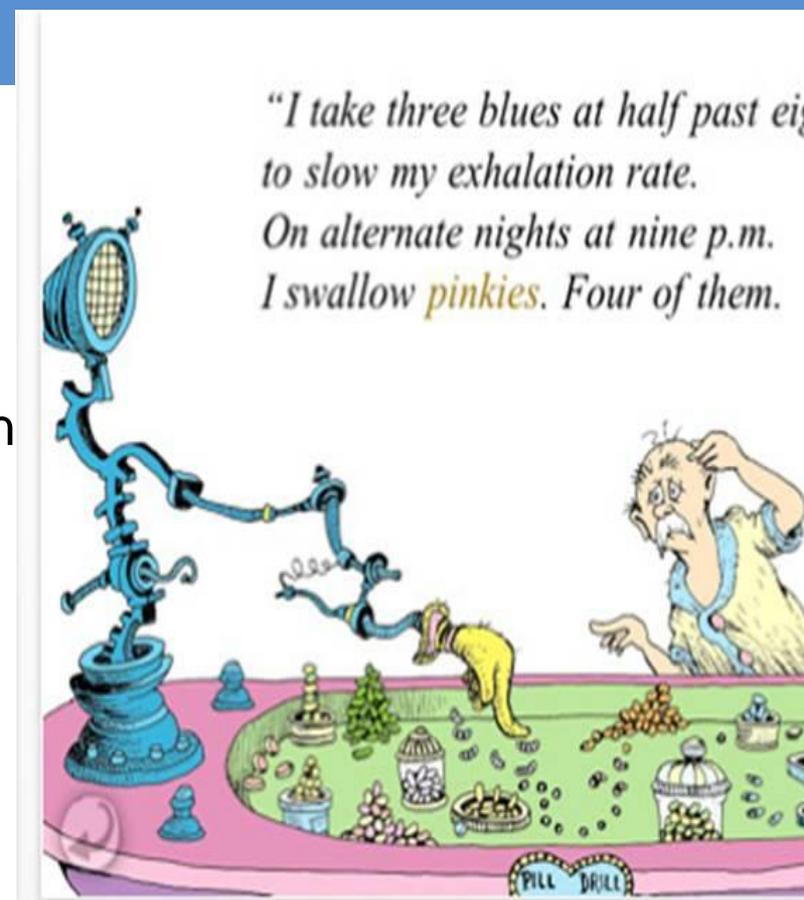
# Care Coordination

- **Defined as:**
  - transition of participants from ED, hospital, or nursing home, as well as specialist consultants,
  - **timing of PCP visit pre- and post-ED/hospital/SNF,**
  - timing of assessment of specialist recommendations from appointment.
- **Best Practices:**
  - follow-up and care plan update after a hospitalization
  - having a full-time case manager to efficiently and correctly manage transitions of care.
  - having PACE PCPs serve as attending physicians in the hospital.



# Medication Management

- **Defined as:**
  - elimination of inappropriate medication
  - management of adherence issues,
  - **hospital/SNF Rx reconciliation,**
  - total Rx used,
  - psychotropic Rx use,
  - Beers Criteria use,
  - sedation score.
- **Best practices:**
  - pharmacist involvement monthly medication reviews
  - involvement of staff in medication management
  - adding medication administration to red flag checklist,
  - discontinuation and dose reductions while monitoring responses.

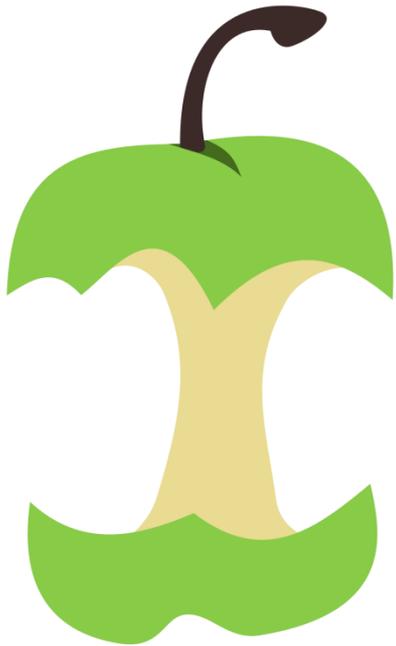


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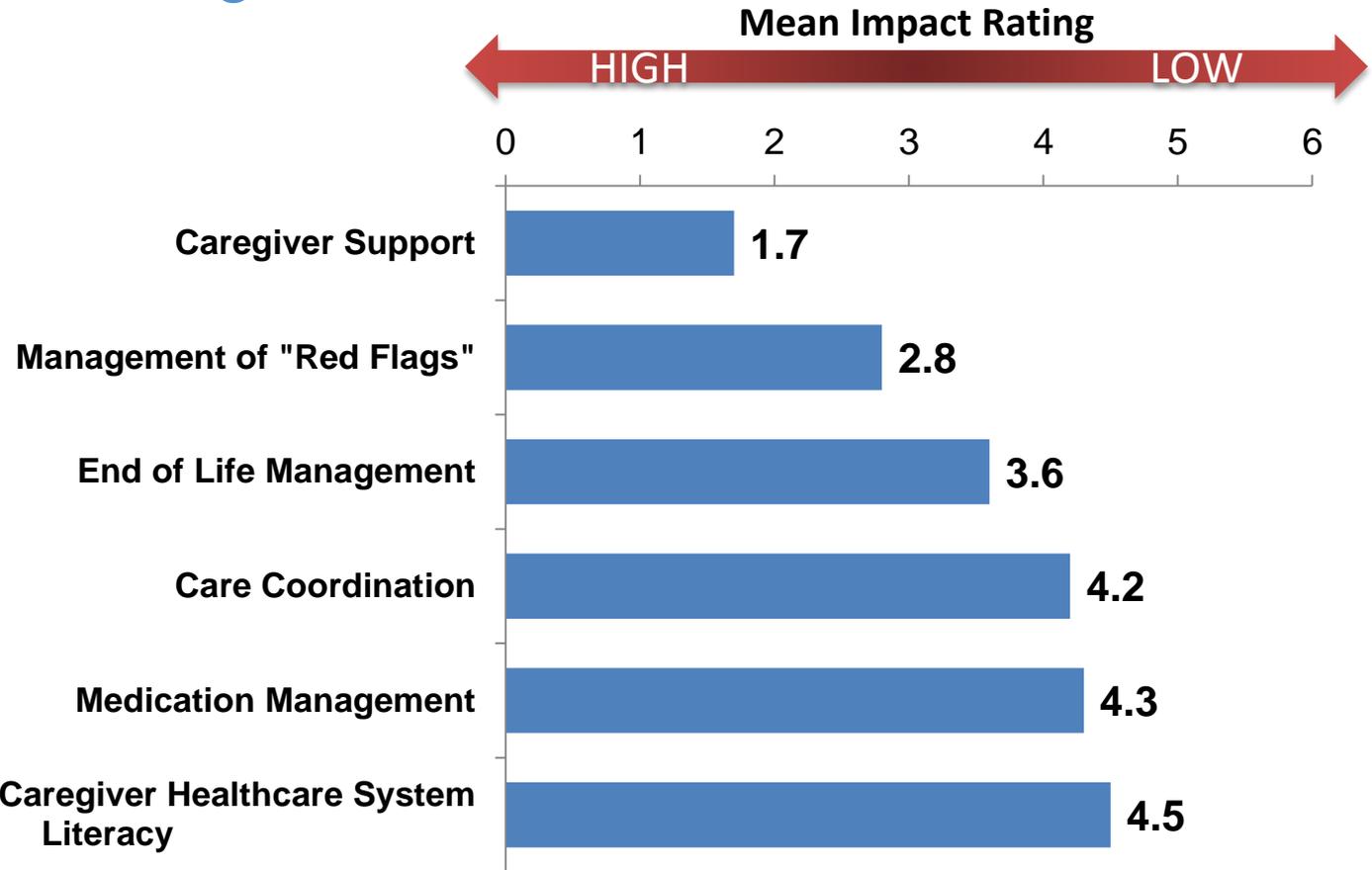
- Defined as:
  - appropriate use of health care system resources
  - **survey participant and caregiver health care literacy at admission and every 6-12 months**
- Best practices:
  - educating participant/caregiver to use health care system appropriately
  - financial information for caregivers.



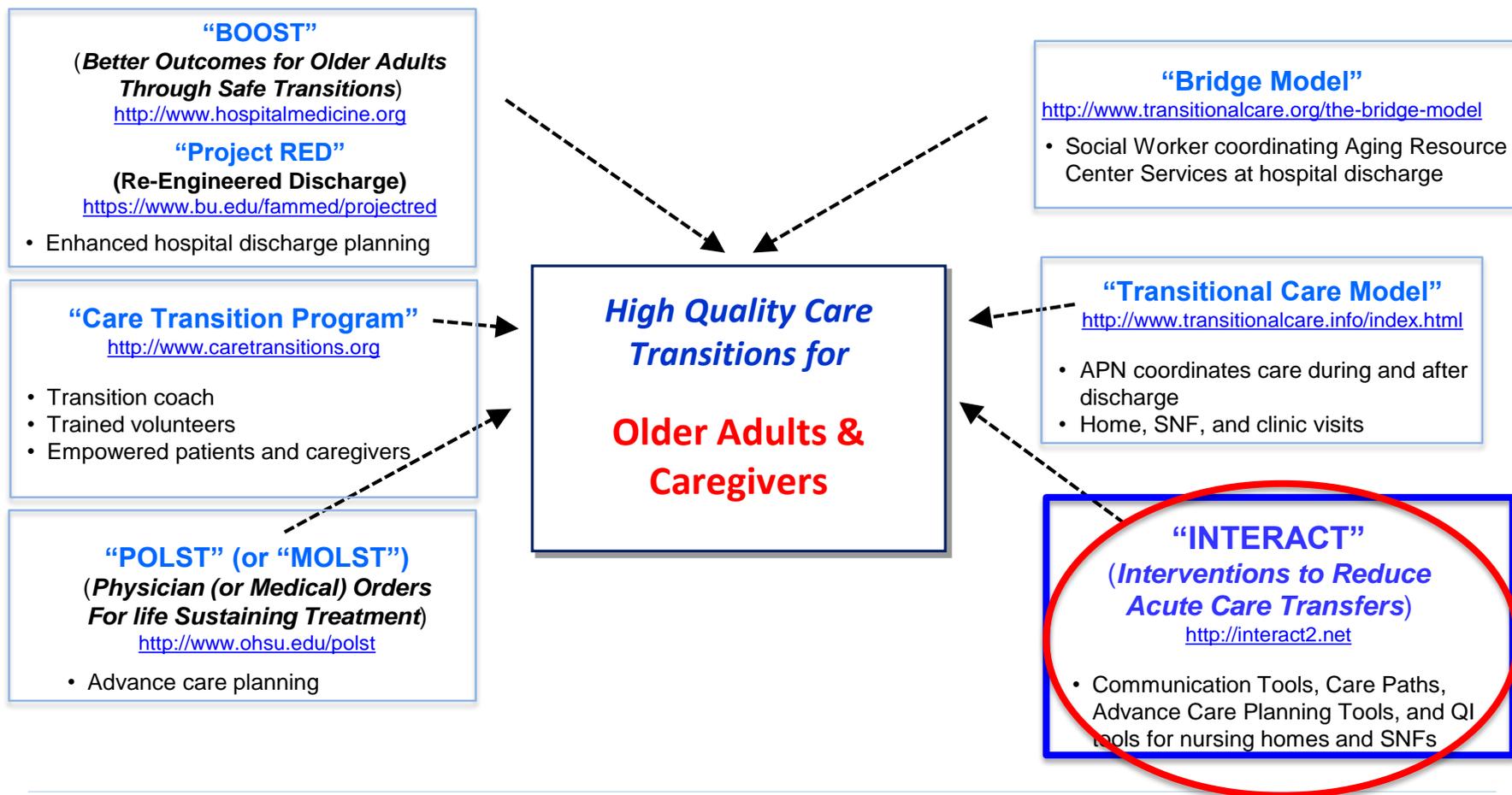
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Participant and Caregiver Healthcare System Literacy



# INTERACT is One of Several Evidence-Based Care Transitions Interventions





1. Advanced Care Planning
  2. Medication Reconciliation
  3. Change in Resident Status
    - Stop and Watch / Early Warning Tools
    - Signs & Symptoms
    - Care Paths
  4. Communication
    - SBAR
    - Transfer Forms
  5. Implementation & Quality Improvement
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# More Tools...



# Improving PCP Urgent Care

## Diagnosis

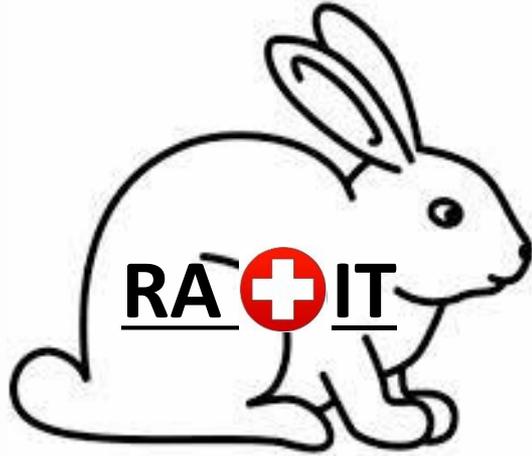
- RN Skill Set
- PCP Access
- Diagnosis Tool  
Access

## Treatment

- Treatment Access
- Comfort with  
Treatment in NH  
over Hospital

# Rapid Assessment & Initial Treatment

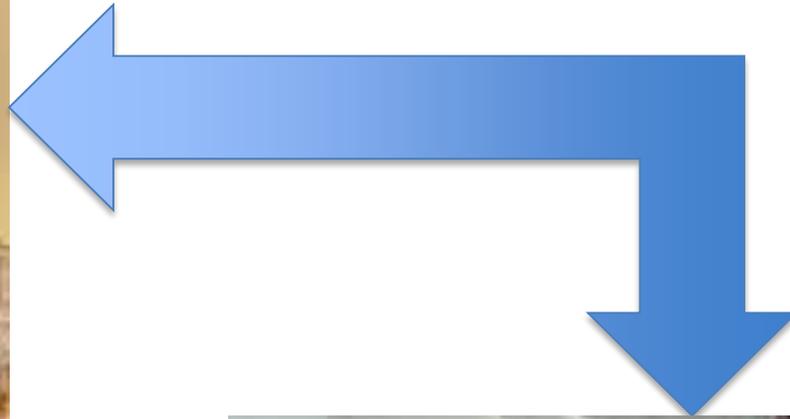
RA  IT



- Partnership with Hospital ER to provide:
  - Rapid Assessment
  - Initial Treatment
  - Transfer back to SNF with care plan

- Requires:
    - Proactive establishing process
    - Each time thoughtful communication of RA IT rather than admission
    - CQI process between ER and SNF team to access performance
    - Assess impact on hospitalization rate
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# Virtual On Call Physician

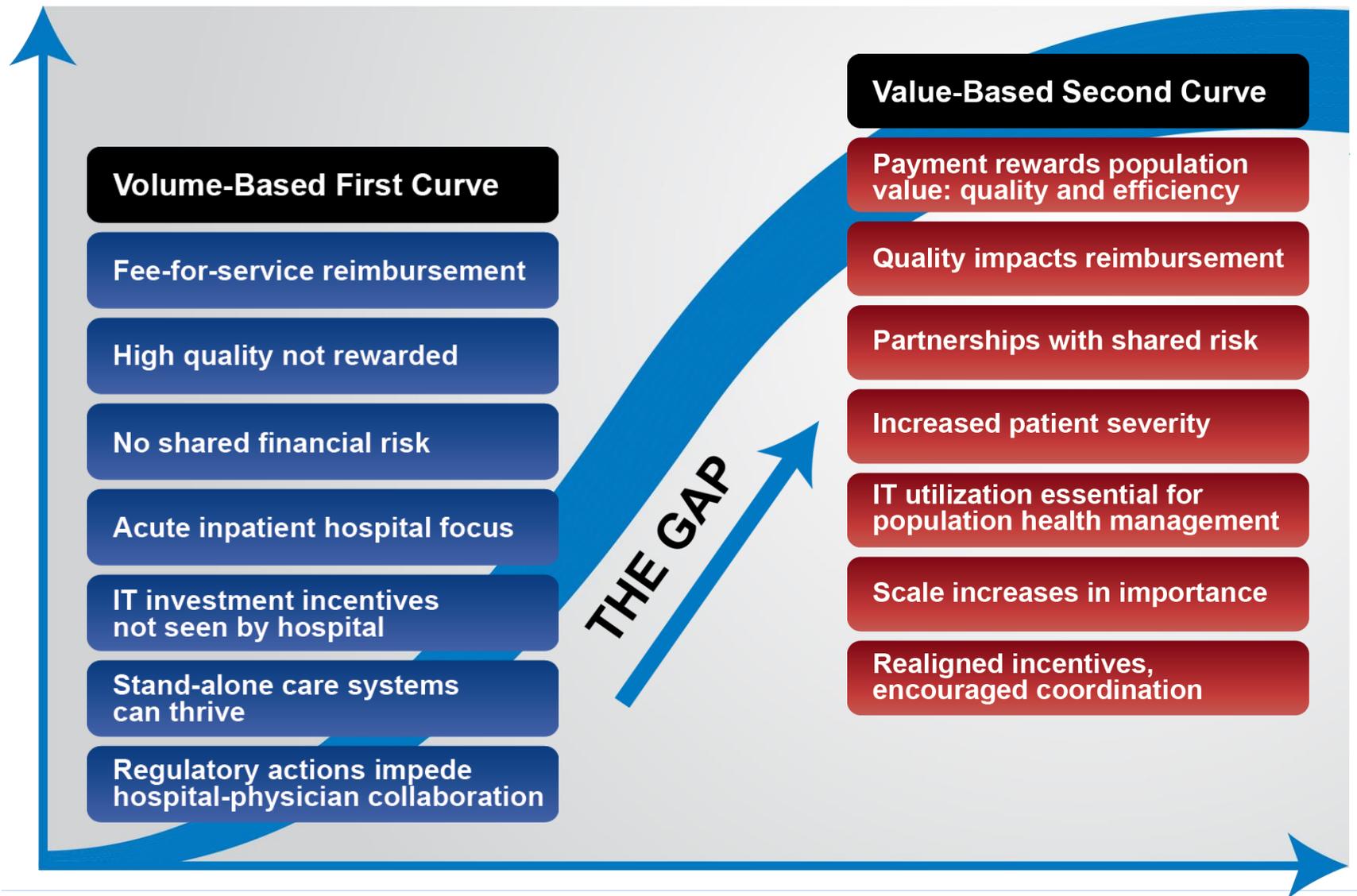


# Bedside Examination



# Pulling it All Together





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