"Meaningful Use of Data" Improving Clinical Indicators

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Objectives

- Review of available sources of data in the Clinical Information System
- Using iCare and other system reports to identify areas for improvement in screening and outcome indicators
- Discuss the importance of data integrity
- Review how to use the available information system in improving patient and population health
- Review methods of translating data into usable information

Using Clinical Information Systems to Improve Care

- Identification of need for data to manage patient and population health
- Identify sources of data
- Continually improving and maintaining data quality
- Translating data into information
- Setting targets and benchmarking
- Communication and sharing of information
- Continually tracking trends and progress

Examples of the Types of Clinical Information System Tools

- iCare
- PCC Management Reports
- VGEN
- QMAN
- Scheduling Package
- Clinical Reporting System (CRS)
- Electronic Health Record Reminders, Decision Support Tools

Improving and Maintaining Data Quality

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Providers, staff, and leadership need to trust and have confidence in the data and information, or efforts to use the Clinical Information Systems to measure progress and improvements will be met with resistance or indifference.

Improving and Maintaining Data Quality

- Listen to Staff
- Correlation to clinical practice
- Follow up on any questionable results
- Review any unusual patterns (large increases or decreases in numbers or rates)
- Run reports in more than one venue if possible
- Close relationship between clinical staff, quality improvement, IT and IM (coding and medical records) staff

- Some possible reasons for unexpected data results or changes in data
- inconsistent RPMS search
- coding changes or not up to date
- RPMS "patches" that change definitions or may effect data
- New GPRA patches/updates changes in definitions or effect other programs





 Are we using iCare panels to identify patients not meeting targets?

- Are we using iCare and other tools to "drill down" and identify what is effecting bundle or comprehensive measures?
- Are we using reminders to staff in E.H.R. or in a paper system?

Documentation

 Are screenings and interventions being documented and captured in RPMS?

• Are taxonomies for lab results up to date?

 Are outside tests/procedures being entered into RPMS – so they can be "counted" for the measures (ie, mammograms, colonoscopies)

• Is data entry up to date? How long between visit and data entry? How does this effect your measures?

iCare: Whole Patient and Population Care

Whole Patient Care

- Use in daily clinical practice to identify individual patient needs
- Case Management and Event Tracking (CMET)
- Identify patients who are delinquent for screenings
- Review screening status for today's appointments
- Individual patient summary of GPRA/CRS indicators

Population Care

- Note trends in patient screening or outcomes by provider, clinic, site
- National Aggregate Reports
- National Measures reports/patient lists

MU Core Measures

Percentage of pts ages 18 and older w/calculated **BMI** w/in the past 6 months or during current visit; if BMI outside of parameters, follow up plan is documented Percentage of pt visits ages 18 and older w/dx of HTN, with 2 office visits, with **BP** recorded

Percentage of pts ages 18 and older w/2 office visits who were queried about **tobacco use** 1 or more times w/in 24 months

Percentage of pts ages 18 and older, identified as tobacco users w/in past 24 months, have had at least 2 office visits, **tobacco cessation** documented

Tobacco Counseling

Meaningful Use (MU) Definition

Percentage of patients 18 years and older who have had at least 2 office visits who were <u>queried about tobacco</u> use one or more times within 24 months,

Percentage of patients 18 years or older <u>identified as tobacco</u> <u>users within the past 24</u> <u>months</u> and have been seen for at least 2 office visits, who <u>received cessation</u> <u>intervention</u>

GPRA (iCare) Definition

Patients identified as current tobacco users at least a year ago – who received counseling to quit or prescribed a cessation aid in the past year

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Example of Using iCare to Target Improvement

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So – What Did We Learn?

The number of tobacco users ages 18+, with at least two office visits in the past year = 1177

• 657 (56%) tobacco users did not have tobacco counseling or an rx for tobacco cessation

 634 (96%) pts that did not have tobacco counseling already have a designated primary care provider (DPCP)

291(44%) of pts with a DPCP, and have not had tobacco counseling, have an appt scheduled

Using Data for Performance Improvement

What additional data would be useful for this MU measure?

What is effecting the data found in this iCare report?

What changes/action plans could we consider based on this data? What tests of change might we consider?

How can we use the data to continually measure improvement?

Improvement Planning Form

Summary of change idea: (Describe the change and what you are trying to accomplish: i.e.; optimization of the care team)

What will be our measure(s) of success? (How might you measure the impact of the change?)

	Describe the sequence of tasks, test cycles, and	T= Test	Person	Date(s)
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Plan, Do, Study, Act

MODEL FOR IMPROVEMENT

PLAN: to answer questions (test the change or evaluate the idea) What, Who, When, Where

Plan for collection of data needed to answer questions: What, Who, When, Where

Predictions (For each question listed above, what will happen when plan is carried out? Discuss theories):

DO: Carry out the plan; document problems and unexpected observations; collect data and begin analysis.

STUDY: Complete analysis of data; what were the answers to the questions in the plan (compare to predictions)? Summarize what was learned.

ACT: What changes are to be made? Plan for the next cycle.



Graphs and charts for benchmarking and tracking trends

Communication and Sharing of Information

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- Provider Scorecards
- Team Reports
- Monthly Trend Reports
- Dashboards
- Quarterly Summaries
- Annual Reports

Summary

- The Clinical Information System (CIS) provides tools and resources to use in improving patient and population outcomes
- CIS reports and tools can be used to identify processes and outcomes related to improving care
- Communication of results to patients, staff, leadership and the community important in facilitating and maintaining improvements