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MVC NEWSLETTER



MVC Announces ED-Based Episodes at May Meeting

The MVC Coordinating Center held its spring collaborative-wide meeting May 19 with a meeting theme of "Connecting the Dots: Celebrating 10 years of insights on value-based healthcare." As part of this event, attendees heard guest presentations by Trinity Health IHA Medical Group and INHALE, networked with and learned from peers during a poster session and several breakout groups, benchmarked their organization's performance via multiple unblinded data presentations, and heard MVC program updates.

A key update and presentation by MVC staff was the announcement and discussion of a new episode structure to capture emergency department (ED) index events. Developed in collaboration with MEDIC, the new 30-day episodes of care are initialized by a patient's visit to the ED and include all claims-documented care received in the 30 days following the patient's index ED visit. Built using medical claims data from Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS), Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) PPO Commercial and Medicare Advantage plans, and Blue Care Network (BCN) HMO Commercial and Medicare Advantage plans, MVC's new ED-based episodes of care include both adult and pediatric patients, providing new opportunities for quality improvement insights at Michigan hospitals. This structure was built for 15 high-volume, ED-relevant conditions, most of which are not available within MVC's traditional inpatient-based episodes. Members can now request custom analytics for high-level insights on healthcare utilization for patients visiting the ED.

A full summary of the collaborative-wide meeting is available [here](#) and the slides are available [here](#).

RURAL HEALTH MEETING:

Delivering Value in Northern and Rural Michigan

August 9, 2023

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Virtual - [Register Now](#)

Guest Speakers:

Ross Ramsey, MD, CPE, FAAFP
President & Chief Executive Officer at Scheurer Health

Mariah Hesse, BSN, RN, CENP
President of the Michigan Critical Access Hospital Quality Network; Chief Nursing Officer at Sparrow Clinton Hospital

UPCOMING WORKGROUPS

Chronic Disease Management

Thursday, July 13, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Speaker: McLaren Port Huron

Diabetes

Wednesday, July 19, 1-2 p.m.

Speaker: Scheurer Health

Visit michiganvalue.org/upcoming-events for more details and to register

New Report Highlights Home Health & SNF Utilization

MVC released another new push report recently with the first iteration of a skilled nursing facility (SNF) and home health focused report. MVC members frequently identify post-discharge care and SNF utilization as focus areas for quality improvement; therefore, this report was developed to help members benchmark their performance in this area and identify opportunities to improve care coordination. Critical access hospitals (CAHs) received a tailored version of the report to allow for metric comparisons to only other CAHs, and POs will receive a tailored version soon. This report highlighted various

SNF and home health utilization metrics using 30-day claims-based episodes for MVC's medical conditions: acute myocardial infarction, atrial fibrillation, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, endocarditis, pneumonia, sepsis, small bowel obstruction, and stroke. Patient episodes were included if they had an inpatient admission between 1/1/2021 and 6/30/2022 for one of the following payers: Blue Care Network (BCN) HMO Commercial or Medicare Advantage (MA), Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) PPO Commercial or MA, or Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS).

MVC Celebrates 10 Years of Promoting High-Value Healthcare in Michigan

MVC premiered its 10-year anniversary celebration at the spring collaborative-wide meeting. Established in 2013 as part of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Value Partnerships Program, MVC was envisioned as a Collaborative Quality Initiative (CQI) focused on "helping Michigan hospitals achieve the best possible patient outcomes at the lowest reasonable cost." This interest in improving the value of healthcare has set MVC apart from other CQIs in both its focus and data use. Furthermore, MVC's analytic and engagement efforts resulted in some notable success stories over the last decade.

To celebrate the ways in which MVC has grown, adapted, and succeeded over time, the Coordinating Center shared a celebratory video with attendees during its opening presentations, which featured interviews with

current and past MVC leaders about accomplishments and growth they observed over the last decade. Some of the highlights included the steady and significant growth in MVC's data sources, observed collaboration and sharing between members, expansion within the Coordinating Center, diversification in MVC's members and partner groups, and MVC's recent certification by CMS as a Qualified Entity. These accomplishments and others were similarly highlighted in a 10-year anniversary timeline poster and in a slideshow that was played at multiple points throughout the day.



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NEW MVC STAFF

As MVC continues to grow, so too does the Coordinating Center team to meet the growing needs of its members and partners. Meet the newest additions to the Coordinating Center:



Jiaying "Janet" Zhang, MPH
Analyst



Kushbu Narender Singh, MPH
Analyst

OTHER RECENT NEWS & UPDATES

- MVC shared refreshed preoperative testing reports with hospitals in April, and offered a June webinar to review the reports and additional resources. A recording of the webinar was posted to MVC's YouTube page.
- In May, MVC shared refreshed cardiac rehabilitation reports with hospitals and POs, and co-hosted the spring Michigan Cardiac Rehabilitation Network (MiCR) spring stakeholder meeting
- As of 6/15/2023, MVC added new BCBSM/BCN, Medicare, and Medicaid claims data to its online registry