Data Usage in a Population Health Project

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Population Health Projects

• In xx/xxxx, the RCHN Community Health Foundation funded 7 projects at CHCs to design & carry out population health projects.
  • Funding was provided for 6 CHCs & 1 PCA
  • Projects ranged from smoking cessation to homeless care management to improving pediatric care to reduce ED usage

• One CHC, ACCESS Family Care in southwest Missouri, focused its project on integrating comprehensive diabetes care with their PCMH effort

• Debra Davidson from ACCESS will talk about this project & its data elements, but first...

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Data Use in CHCs

• CHCs are being called upon to collect & use more & more (& more) data

• MU, MIPS & especially public & population health efforts require the acquisition, management, analysis & interpretation of substantially more data in the health center’s decision process

• Use of EHR data for care planning & optimization for individual patients is well known, but...

• How is data used for population health efforts?
Using Data Requires Data Awareness

• Data Awareness is required today & will be even more so in the next 3-5 years

• Being Data Aware means knowing what data your health center has available, both internal & external

• Knowing what form the data is in, including some consideration of its quality

• Knowing what analyses are available to apply to this data & how to execute these analyses

• Most importantly, knowing the strategic issues that your center needs to address & determining how the data & analyses available can facilitate the planning & strategy process
• Data awareness is, at its most basic, the knowledge of what data is available & how to analyze & interpret it so that it can be used in strategic decision making across all levels of an organization.

• Data can also be used for pure exploration, that is to see if there are patterns in the data that can be associated with observations that help us improve clinical outcomes or operational efficiency.

• Data awareness is not just for Executives & Managers – it’s for everyone in the organization, everyone should be able see data & make observations about it.

• Data is primarily for decision making: clinical, operational, financial, any decision.
Much has been made of ‘Big Data’ & it can be very interesting & valuable for healthcare, but... Few organizations have truly big data (>50 PBs)*: DoD, VA, Kaiser Permanente, Partners, not many others.

It is much more valuable to have data that’s relevant to the questions you’re asking & to the strategic decisions you are making... regardless of how much data this is.

The real value in analysis is aligning the questions you are asking with the decisions you have to make & the strategy you are developing & following.

*For comparison – the entire digitized collection of the Library of Congress is ~2PBs; a PB is ~223,000 DVDs of data.
What Data are We Talking About

• Internal Data
  • EHR & other clinical data (registry, Pharmacy, Labs, etc.)
  • Financial (cost accounting, ledgers, AP/AR)
  • Other internal (

• External Data
  • External clinical data (HIE, ACO, eReferral, other...)
  • State public & population health data
  • Federal public & population health data (CDC, HRSA, etc.)
  • Academic public & population health data (universities, institutes, etc.)
  • Federal & State macroeconomic, demographic & population data

• Other (that we don’t know yet...)
Larger Amounts of Data Required

- Most CHCs have 5-10 GBs of EHR & up to 5 GBs of other data (financial, cost accounting, registry, pharmacy etc.)
- Most PCAs have ~250GBs of EHR data & 100GBs of other data (as above)
- Each expected to double or triple in the next 2-3 years plus need to include an additional 20-25GBs of external data (public health, macrodemographic (State & Federal), macroeconomic (State & Federal) data
- At that point, each CHC would have ~50-75 GBs of total data, while the PCA will have ~1TB (1024 GBs, $10^{12}$ bytes) at this time
- In 10 years, each CHC might have ~multiple TBs & the PCA might have up to hundreds of TBs of data
- Some healthcare organizations today have multiple PBs (1024 TBs, $10^{15}$ bytes): Kaiser: 40-50 PBs, Partners: 20-25 PBs
- This amount of data will be difficult to impossible to store, manage, search & analyze by current - even evolved current methods
• Chronic & acute disease occurs in individuals & in populations
  • Treating individuals may optimize their specific outcome, but does not address systemic &/or population aspects
• Ideally we would use our knowledge of patterns of occurrence in populations to inform our treatment of individuals (intervention)
• There are a number of steps that enable us to get started – detailed in the next slide
• Population health is one of the MIPS quality measurement areas, so this is getting more important
Population Health Efforts – Getting Started

• Ensure that IT infrastructure supports external data acquisition, data sharing, very large-scale data storage (at least PB range), data query & analytics for this amount of data
• Characterize patterns of social determinants & chronic disease occurrence (analysis of EHR & sociodemographic data)
• Integrate public & population health data with clinical & sociodemographic data
  • Sources include: CDC FastTrack (diagnosis percentages, general population), CMS (iBlueButton, Medicare Limited Data Set), FDA (openFDA, FAERS), State sources
• Execute planned analyses for population health efforts in the CHCs specific data
• Plan & execute an engagement & intervention strategy

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Debra Davidson COO at ACCESS Family Care in SW Missouri will present a project in progress on diabetes management
Thanks!

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Improving Patient Health Outcomes

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Why ACCESS uses data

• Grant Reporting
  • HRSA Funding Application and NEEDS Assessment
  • HRSA 330 annual report = UDS requirements
• Primary Care Association (MPCA) facilitated grants
  ✓ Behavioral Health Integration
  ✓ Women and Minority Health and Show Me Healthy Women (CDC – breast and cervical cancer initiative)
  ✓ Chronic Disease Collaborative
  ✓ Dental Integration
  ✓ Pharmacy Integration
  ✓ Emergency Preparedness
• Other Organizations
  ✓ Missouri Foundation for Health, MO HealthNet, DentaQuest, RCHN
• Health Outcome Improvement
  • Chronic Disease s
  • Cancer Screenings
  • Health Maintenance
• Financial
• Patient Satisfaction
• Compliance
• Bonus - Incentive
ACCESS’ Data History

• Chronic Disease Collaborative Health Outcome Improvement (through MPCA)

✓ 2008: ACCESS listed changes in organization structure that affected the quality improvement of chronic disease management for DM and CVD @ FQHC per clinic
  • PDSAs introduced, documentation of barriers and actions

✓ 2009 - 2010: EHR (GE Centricity) adaptation began September, 2009 one clinic at a time
  • Only had 3 medical clinics at the time of implementing EHR, 3rd clinic live Spring 2010

✓ 2010 - 2011: manual chart audits, 10 charts/qtr/provider designed to quantitatively capture related data points
  • Started with the UDS Measures and each FQHC was blinded from one another for MPCA
  • Baselines established per manual chart audits
  • Wide variations of interpretations on how to conduct the chart audits
  • Calculations were inconsistent, data definitions and numerator/denominators were confusing to untrained personnel
  • Lack of trained personnel in audit protocol and statistics
  • Unyielding reporting system within the EHR
Mapping our data

2011: MPCA created the HCCN (Health Center Control Network)

- Data Repository developed Arcadia (later AZARA) to gather data across the Missouri FQHCs
- Designed to facilitate consistent data points based on strict criteria from the various EHRs
- Assisted with a more user-friendly reporting tool to extract data consistently across all MO FQHCs at any given time (after nightly “processing”) at the FQHC’s fingertips
- Determining all the places the same information was recorded and where to pull (EHR vs PM) was time consuming. Mapping everything - ‘Obs’ terms versus codes and other same data representations was confusing for our RN who moved into IT to help create “user friendly” forms
- We did not realize then how any of the connected systems, when updated or upgraded can break the mapping
- Later, changes in customized forms required adding and/or remapping data elements
- The HCCN prioritized quality benchmark goals, utilizing standardized references and their numerator/denominator definitions
  - HRSA, UDS
  - NQF and HP 2020
  - MPCA’s interim benchmarks
  - FQHC’s Individual Healthcare Plan
  - HEDIS not generally used until later years when the ACO comparisons were needed
### ACCESS’ tracking evolution

#### Diabetics

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#### How to Measure Quality Indicator (Benchmark)

- **HbA1c < 7.0**
  - Lab result: >40%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **HbA1c < 9**
  - Lab result: >77%
  - Benchmark: HC Plan

- **BP <130/80**
  - Lab result: >25%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **LDL <100**
  - Lab result: >36%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **Adult HbA1c >9.0**
  - Lab result: <16%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **BP <130/80**
  - Lab result: >25%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **BP <140/80**
  - Lab result: >65%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **LDL <100**
  - Lab result: >30%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

- **Annual Dilated Eye Exam**
  - Lab result: >60%
  - Benchmark: MPCA

#### Reporting by Site Supervisor

- **Monthly**
  - Anderson Clinic
  - Cassville Clinic
  - Joplin Clinic
  - Mt. Vernon Clinic
  - Neosho Clinic

- **Quarterly**
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#### Reporting by EHR IT Tech

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Data population management

✓ 2012 – 2013 – 2016 - Present: ACCESS transformed all clinics (4 at the time) into Patient Centered Medical Homes (PCMH)
  • 2012 ACCESS set out to become recognized as a PCMH by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)
  • 2013 All 4 clinics received 95% or greater scores of achievement in meeting NCQA standards’ highest level, Level 3
  • Part of this transformation included quality data reporting of key health outcome indicators as our measures of quality to Missouri Medicaid
  • 2016 4 out of the now 6 clinics were re-recognized Level 3, again with > 95% scores.
  • ACCESS continues this participation, which also affords ACCESS to employ RN Care Managers and a dedicated Behavioral Health Consultant to assist in chronic disease management improvements
  • 2017: ACCESS’ newest clinics are undergoing recognition attestation

✓ 2012 - Present: Meaningful Use (MU) endeavors for goal achievement = Incentive payment
  • As support staff were concentrating on PCMH standards and improving the health outcomes of our patients, IT was also pushing to meet software utilization
  • Stages were aggressive and often required customization, even though the EHR was MU “certified”
### MO Medicaid quality tracking for participating FQHCs

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The data comparisons are MPCA participating FQHCs in Health Home Initiative (HHI) – other participating health systems are not indicated.
ACPI: ACCESS Comprehensive PCMH Integration


• Diabetic patients will have a HbA1c<9, indicating good control
• ER/Hospitalizations timely follow-up with patients
• Diabetics’ annual Eye Exams to prevent or early detection of blindness
• Integration of all ACCESS patients for Oral Health Care at ACCESS sites
• Community Resource Coordinator (CRC) & Health Information Management (HIM) development to centralize & standardize processes
• Internal staff education related to the ACPI project
# Diabetes Health outcome HbA1c

## Grant Cycle 1<sup>st</sup> 12 months

### Objective:
- Decrease HbA1c > 9 and untested
  - ≤ 18% (MPCA)
  - ≤ 16% (HP2020)

### BASELINE
- RCHN Grant initiation 2015: 42%
- After fixing mapping & reran: 38%

### HHI = MO Mcd Health Home Initiative pop. Of diabetics
- AO = All Other patients in Joplin

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• Diabetic patients will have a HbA1c<9, indicating good control
• Goal: Decrease HbA1c >9 and untested ≤18% (MPCA) or ≤16% (HP2020)

• By the end of the first project year, ACCESS made positive health outcome improvements in the high risk population of diabetic patients.
• The Medicaid Health Home Initiative (HHI) subpopulation ended with the lowest percent of patients with HbA1c>9 at 21%
• All other (AO) patients showed the most improvement, moving from HbA1c>9 baseline of 38% down to 26.7%.
• Since Missouri Primary Care Association (MPCA) interim goal is 18% and HP2020 is 16%, ACCESS continued their pursuit of reaching the 16% goal.
Multi-front approach accomplished improvements

- Evidence-based guidelines
- Standing orders
- Tracking: Hospital Utilization (IP & ER), Referrals for Diagnostics & Specialists
- Morning Huddle preparation
- Greater utilization of team-based care
- Partnership with area hospitals to enroll diabetic patient
- Continuous staff education
- Monthly QI/QA includes all clinic managers and other departments involved in Board Approved Improvement Plan (Clinical measures, Financial targets, HR goals, Patient Satisfaction)
- Patients assigned to Care manager and care teams
- Improve Transitions of Care timeliness and communications while decreasing hospital utilizations for primary care needs
- Increase Integrative services (Dental, Pharmacy, Vision,)