

# Pharmacist – Led Transitional Care Program

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# Objectives

At the end of this presentation the audience will understand:

- The history of “Care Coordination” at Jefferson
- The players
- The role of each player
- How the patient benefits
- Outcomes
- The future of “Care Coordination” at Jefferson

# Where we started

## Develop Transitions of Care Programs

### – CMS changes

- Reporting hospitals' 30-day readmission rates in 2009
  - **Heart Failure**
  - **AMI**
  - **Pneumonia**
- Adjustment of hospital reimbursement rates in 2013 for above diagnosis
- 2015 expanding diagnosis to
  - **COPD**
  - **CABG**
  - **Percutaneous Coronary Interventions**
  - **Vascular Procedures**

# Where we started

- Culture driven Performance Model
- Mission, Vision, and Values
  - Service Excellence
  - Collaboration
  - Ownership
  - Respect

# Where we started

Did not re-create the wheel

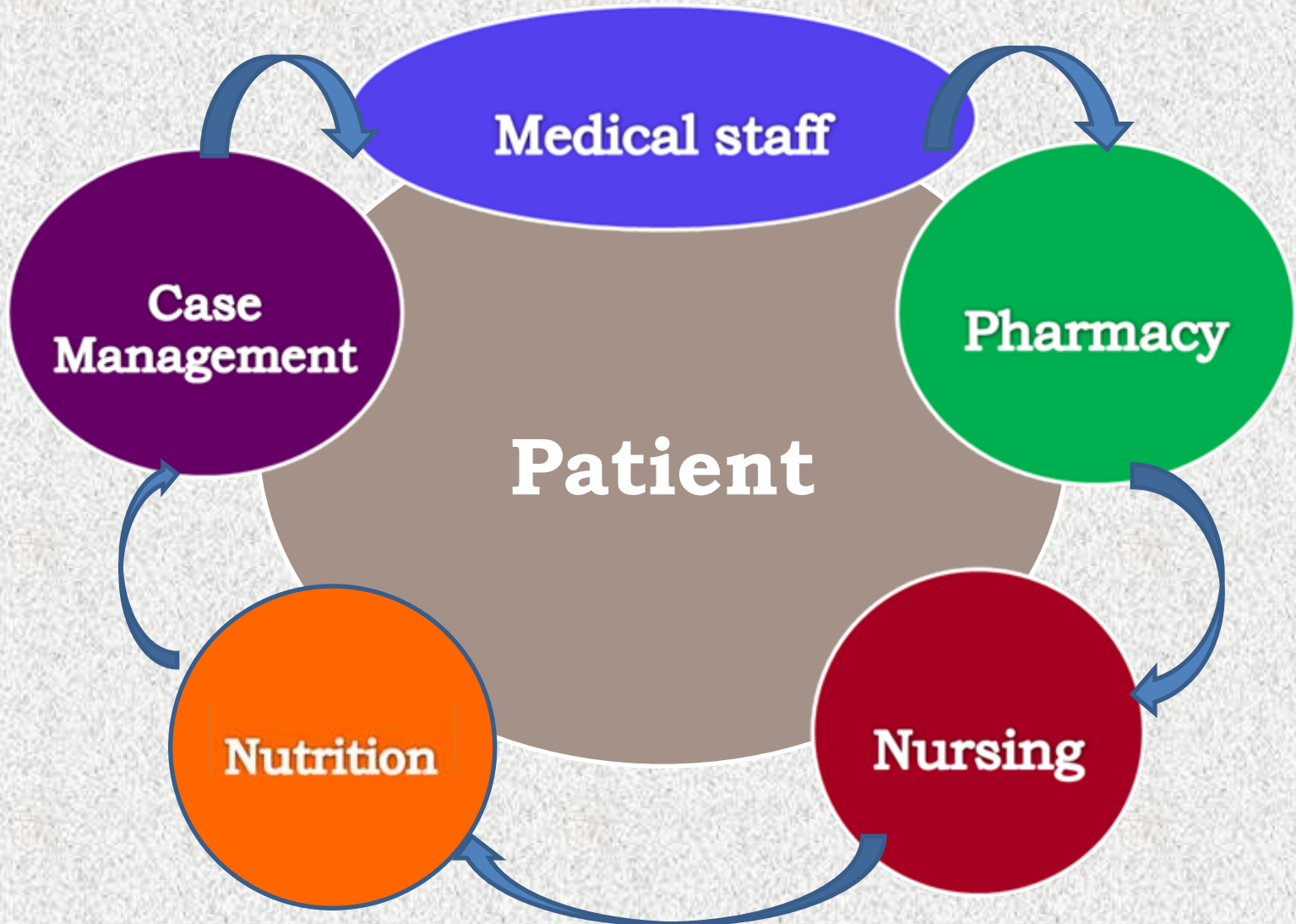
- [HFTOC pharmacy orientation\project RED.pdf](#)

# Who are we?

Collaboration of multidisciplinary professionals

- Excellent quality health care
- Working to achieve the same outcome
  - Prevent the “**Black hole**” effect

# Transition of Care Team



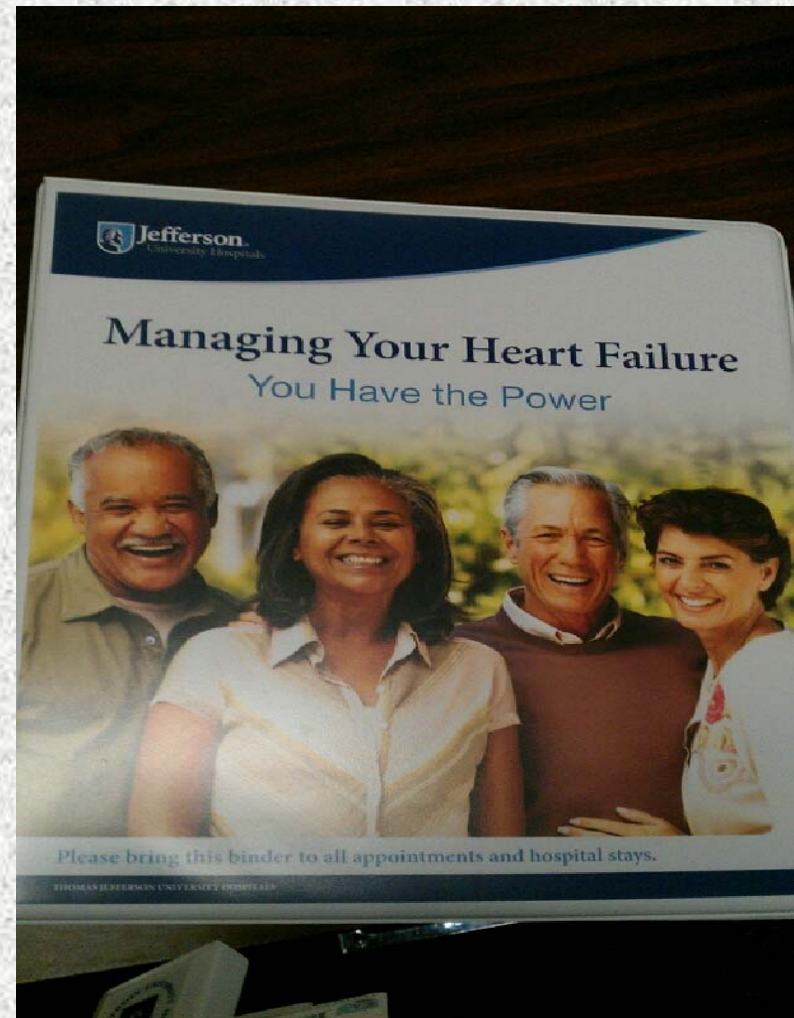
# What do we do?

- Medical staff enrolls patient
  - All patients with heart failure
- Pharmacist/Nursing educate
- Dietician educates
  - Reading labels
  - Salt restrictions
  - Good/Bad foods
- Case manager establishes appointment within 7 days



# Education

- Binder provided
- Teach-back method
  - Project BOOST
    - Heart Failure
    - Diet
    - Exercise
    - Medications
    - Resources
- Heart Failure video



# Pharmacist role

- Medication reconciliation
  - Upon admission and discharge
- Medication education
  - Why, When, How
  - Pillbox
- Scale
- Reinforce education
- 24 hour resource available



# Why the Pharmacist

## Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative

- “Hospital and health-system pharmacists need to engage now in the development of a future practice model that is responsive to healthcare reform and the health system of the future.”
  - <http://www.ashp.org/PPMI>

## Pharmacist Weekly News Update (May 23, 2012)

- “Blood Pressure Dropped When Pharmacists Gave Patients a Ring”

# What happened to the “Black Hole”?

## Pharmacist driven Transition of Care

- Phone calls on days 2, 7, 14, 21, and 30 post discharge
- Focus on ease of transition, medications, diet, exercise, follow up appointment
- Direct connection to physicians and/or case management
- 24 hour phone line

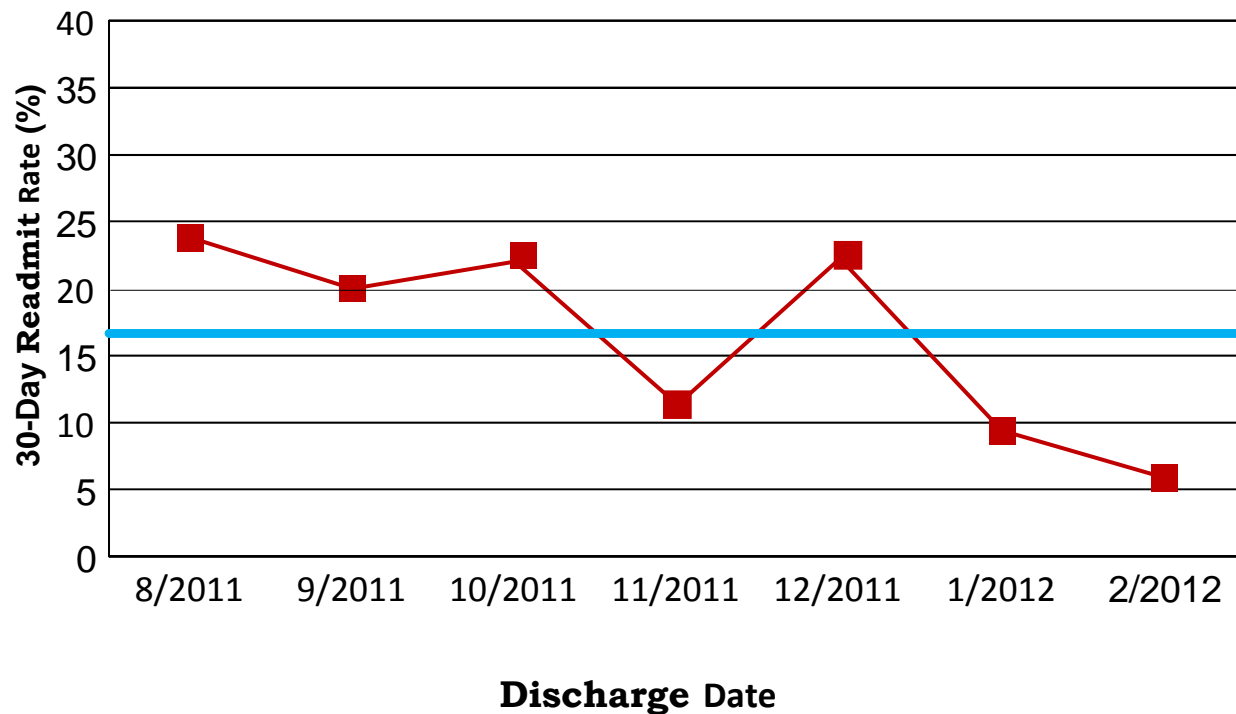


# Where are we going?

- Pharmacy as a whole
  - Readjusting the way we look at patient care
- TJUH
  - Transitions of Care programs
    - Pneumonia, MI, CABG
      - Multidisciplinary collaboration
- Development of Pathways
  - Best Practices

# Readmission trend

## Heart Failure Readmission Rates



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