

# **Project Sonar**

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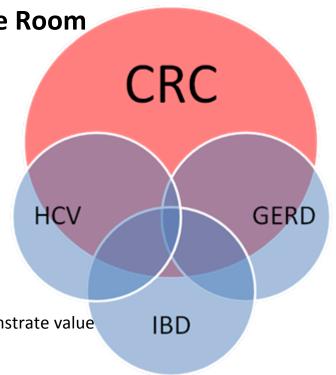
# GI Service Line – The Gastroenterologist's View

## **Colon Cancer Screening is the Elephant in the Room**

- Colonoscopy drives >50% of GI revenue
- Declining Revenues/Compressed Margins
- Alternative Screening Tools are Developing

#### **Corrective Actions**

- We seek out payment bundles
  - Which can commoditize our main revenue stream
  - Which our payers may not be able to implement
- We create process based Registries
  - Which really don't provide value
  - In Colonoscopy there may not enough clinical variation to demonstrate value





# IGG Top 10 ICDs by GI Practice Reimbursement

ICD9	Diagnosis Description	%
V76.51	Special screening for malignant neoplasms, colon	24%
211.3	Benign neoplasm of colon	15%
555.2	Crohn's Disease	14%
556.6	Ulcerative Colitis	11%
V12.72	Personal history of colonic polyps	11%
530.81	GERD	8%
578.1	Rectal Bleeding	6%
787.91	Diarrhea	4%
280.9	Iron deficiency anemia, unspecified	4%
V16.0	Family history of malignant neoplasm of gastrointestinal tract	4%
	Total	100%
	54% of the costs are related to colorectal cancer Screening and Surveillance	
	25% of the costs are related to IBD Δ	



# We're only seeing the tail on the Elephant!

And it's a pretty small tail



# We have to think like the payers



## Crohn's Cost of Care Analysis

#### 21,000 Patient Payer database

#### Two years of experience

- \$240M in annual expenses for Crohn's Disease
- \$11,000 per patient per year

#### >50% of all expenses paid are for Hospital Services

- Likely to be primarily complication related
- This is the fastest growth area of expense
- Less than 1/3 of patients admitted to the hospital for a complication were seen by a physician in the 30 days prior to the admission

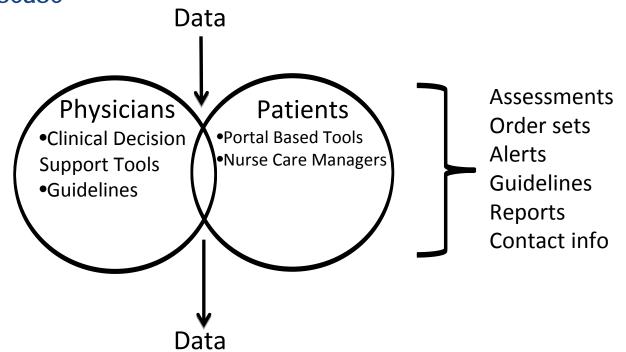
#### **Biologics 10% of total expenditures**

# Gastroenterologists receive 10% of all Professional Payments and only 3.5% of Total Payments

- But we are the most knowledgeable of its management
- Is there an opportunity to improve care at the Provider level?
- A potential for a shared savings program exists

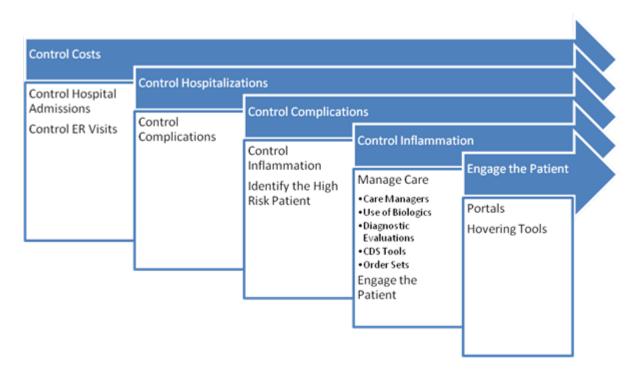


# PROJECT SONAR – A Care Management Platform for Patients with Chronic Disease





# AGA Crohn's Disease Care Pathways Project





# **Project Sonar Timeline**

Jan 2012
Began meeting with
BCBSIL to obtain cost
data on Crohn's

May 2012
Received large database
from BCBSIL with cost
data on 21,000
patients

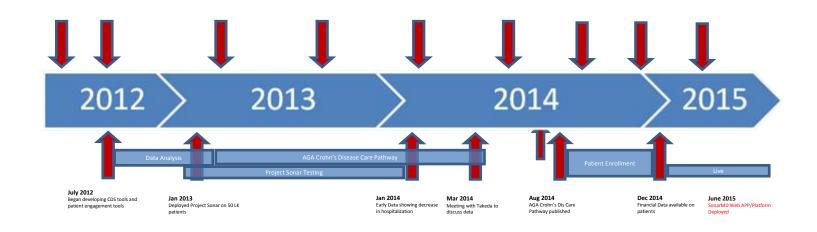
Mar 2013
Presented concept of
Project Sonar to BCBSIL

Oct 2013

Meeting at BCBSIL to discuss structure and data

Feb 2014 LOI signed between BCBSIL and IGG Apr 2014 Final Agreement signed with Sep 2014 Final patient attribution list provided Dec 2014
Go live on financial shared savings period

June 2015 Agreement signed with Takeda and Xcenda to validate platform





# **Project Sonar Summary**

- One of the First Intensive Medical Homes for a Specialty Group in US
- Partnership between IGG and Blue Cross Blue Shield Illinois
- Deployed for use in patients with Crohn's Disease
- Major Components of an IMH
- Team-based Care of a Population
  - Nurse care manager (NCM) team
  - Committed team of Physicians
- Guideline driven care model
  - AGA Crohn's Disease Care Pathway
  - Clinical Decision Support (CDS) Tools integrated into the IGG EMR
- Patient Engagement Tools
  - Communicate with patients through structured data "Pings" to assess symptomatology using Patient Portal
  - Identify opportunities for early interventions
  - Reduce potentially avoidable ER, IP utilization
- Powerful Data Analytics







# **BCBS Intensive Medical Home Program Details**

#### Attribution Period

- · The payer attributes our patients to us
- They were our existing patients that are under this payer for at least 12 months

#### Enrollment

Period

- A Supervisit is performed on each attributed patient during this period
- A risk assessment is performed
- A treatment plan based on the risk assessment using the AGA Crohn's Disease Care Pathway

#### Performance

Period

- Each patient is "touched" on a monthly basis
- Hospitalizations are be closely monitored
- · ER Visits are tracked
- Biologic Use is monitored to match risk assessmets



## Intensive Medical Home Business Model

## **Payments**

- Supervisit Payment
- Supplemental PMPM Payment used to establish Clinical Infrastructure

#### **Team-based care**

- Nurse Care Manager
- Physician Champion

#### **Performance Measurements**

- Quarterly Claims Data
- Quarterly Pharma Data
- Performance determines future PMPM Payments



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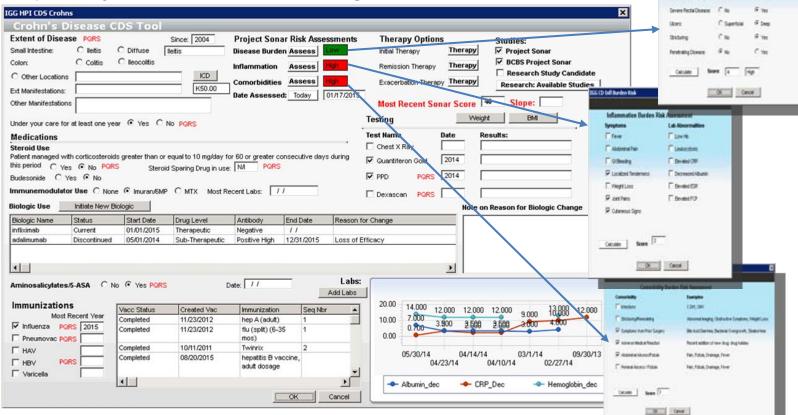
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Disease Burden Risk Assessment

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## **Proprietary CDS Tools Tie it all Together**





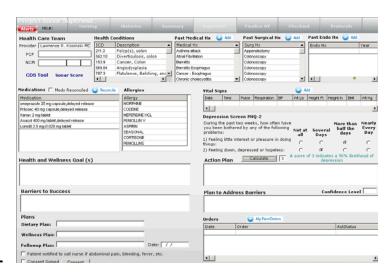
# The Patient Experience is Essential

#### **Initial Visit Details**

- Health and Wellness Goals
- Action Plan
- Barriers to Attaining Goals
- Plan to Address Barriers
- Depression Screen

#### **Ongoing Patient Experience**

- All Patients assigned a Nurse Care Manager
- All Patients "touched" at least Monthly
- All Patients have a Personal Representative

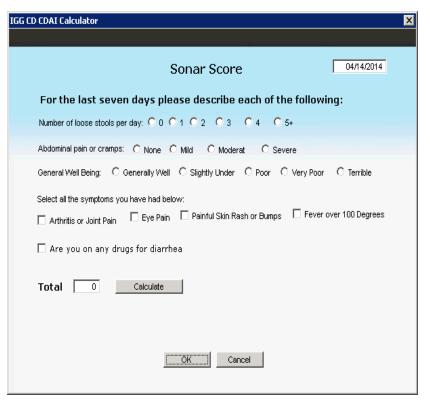


# **Project Sonar**

**Patient Engagement and Hovering Tool** 



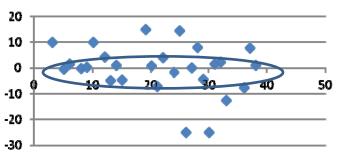
# Patient Engagement Tool



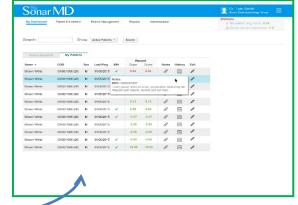


# Web-based Patient Engagement Tools

## Sonar Score Slope







CDAI = Sum((2S)+(5P)+(7G)+(20Sum(c)+(30D)

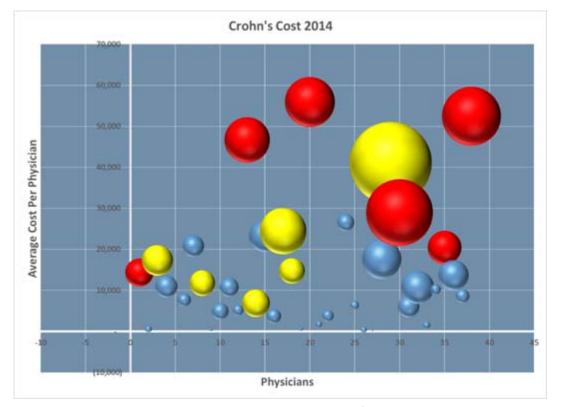
Algorithm for automated responses drives behavior

What patients tell you (subjective) is different from what really happens (objective) reporting Portal Response Rate 27% Application Response Rate 66%

# Cost/Patient by Physician

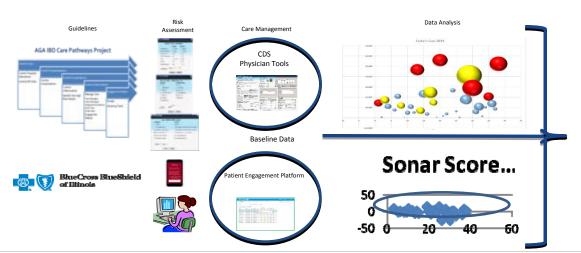
## Legend of effects

- Hospitalization
- HOPD Infusions
- No specific driver





# **Putting it all Together**



#### Predictive Analytics

CDCP Risk Factor	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Limits	
Inflammation risk: albumin	19.4	3.9	97.8
Inflammation risk: joint pain	5.7	2.2	14.5
Comorbidity risk: inflammation	11.5	1.5	87.8
Comorbidity risk: stricturing	5.4	2.2	13.4

Project Sonar Financial Summary - Claims from Dec 1, 2014 - Sept 30, 2015
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	Total Crohn's	Average Per Patient	Total Normalized Crohn's	Normalization	Inpatient	Emergency Room	Infusable	Injectable
Crohn's Payments	Payments	Payment	Payments	Difference	Payments	Payments	Biologics	Biologics
Pre-Period	\$2,118,308.65	\$ 13,936.24	\$ 1,932,069.37	\$ (186,239.28)	\$ 210,967.47	\$ 52,363.19	\$ 892,443.30	\$ 560,980.84
Study Period	\$1,884,758.63	\$ 12,399.73	\$ 1,741,326.02	\$ (143,432.62)	\$ 90,410.85	\$ 24,465.00	\$ 972,485.87	\$ 423,561.72
Difference	\$ (233,550.02)	\$ (1,536.51)	\$ (190,743.36)	\$ 42,806.66	\$ (120,556.62)	\$ (27,898.19)	\$ 80,042.57	\$ (137,419.12)
Percentage Difference	-11.03%	-11.03%	-9.87%	-22.98%	-57.14%	-53.28%	8.97%	-24.50%



#### **Publications**

#### Advances in Inflammatory Bowel Disease: December 2015

- Validation of the American Gastroenterology Association's Crohn's Disease Care Pathway Risk Assessment Metrics against Crohn's Related Costs
  - o Validated by Xcenda in conjunction with Takeda
  - Accepted for Poster Presentation
- Project Sonar: Improvement in Patient Engagement Rates Using a Mobile Application Platform
  - o Demonstrated the value of the platform as compared to the use of the patient portal
  - Accepted for Poster Presentation

#### DDW 2016 Abstracts

- Project Sonar: Reduction in Cost of Care in an attributed cohort of patients with Crohn's Disease
  - o 11% decrease in cost of care
  - o 57% decrease in inpatient costs
  - 53% decrease in Emergency Room costs
- Project Sonar: Psychosocial Effects on Cost of Care for IBD
  - o 12% increase in cost for patients identified at enrollment as having depression symptoms
  - The difference remains constant over the study period despite an 11% decline in total cost



## Conclusions

## Project Sonar is a successful example of Population Health

- Hospitalization rate cut by more than 50%
- Cost to Payer decreased 10% based upon lower utilization
- Improved Patient Satisfaction

## Why were we successful?

- Providers practicing according to guidelines
- Using CDS Tools
- Team-based Care Model
- Appropriate use of Risk Assessments
- We engage the patients
- Every patient is proactively "touched" once a month
- We intervene before they even realize that they are in need of care



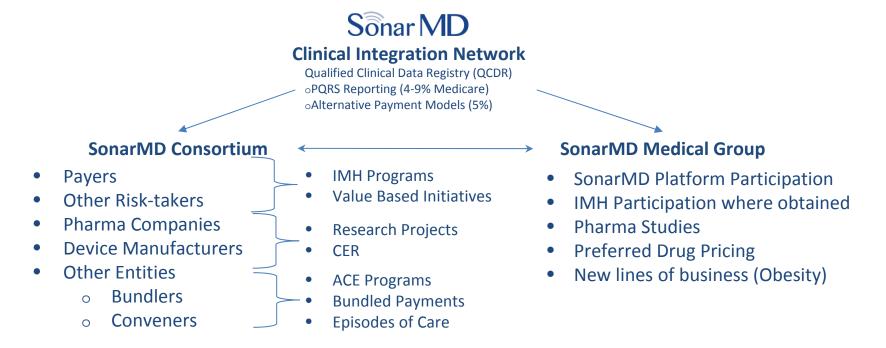
## About SonarMD, LLC

- Software and Platform Development Company
- Founded in Jan 2014 to develop a scalable platform for Project Sonar
- Partnered-with/Powered-by Mutare Health
- Designed to expand Project Sonar out of IGG
- Components of the Platform
- Web-based Patient Engagement Platform
- Clinical Decision Support Tools (CDS)
- Powerful Data Analytics
  - Risk Assessment
  - Predictive Modeling
  - Demonstrate value to patients, payers, purchasers, providers





## SonarMD - Structure

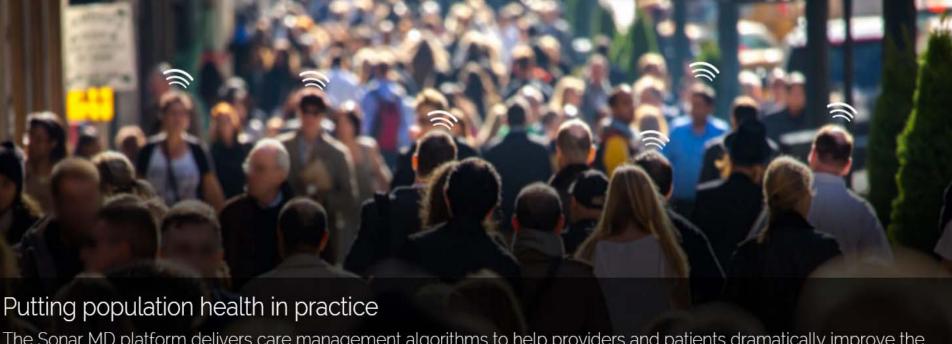




## **Sonar Health Network**







The Sonar MD platform delivers care management algorithms to help providers and patients dramatically improve the management of chronic diseases in the new era of value-based care

# **Discussion**