

# Updates from CMS: Value-Based Purchasing, ACOs, and Other Initiatives

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# Overview

- Background and Vision for Change
- Payment System Reform
- Delivery System Reform
- Putting It All Together
- Q&A

# The Current System

- **Greatest Acute Care in the World:** People come from around the world to be treated
- **But:** 46 Million Americans lack coverage
  - **Uncoordinated** – Fragmented delivery systems with highly variable quality
  - **Unsupportive** – of patients and physicians
  - **Unsustainable** – Costs rising at twice the inflation rate

# A Future System

- **Affordable**
- **Accessible** – to care and to information
- **Seamless and Coordinated**
- **High Quality** – timely, equitable, safe
- **Person and Family-Centered**
- **Supportive of Clinicians** in serving their patients needs



# Innovation Can Transform American Health Care

## ***Current State – Producer-Centered***

## **Current payments – part of the problem...**

- Fragmented payment systems (IPPS, OPPS, RBRVRS)
- Fee-for-service payment model
- Lack of Transparency

PRIVATE  
SECTOR

PUBLIC  
SECTOR

INNOVATION  
CENTER

## ***Future State – People-Centered***

## **CMS – part of the solution...**

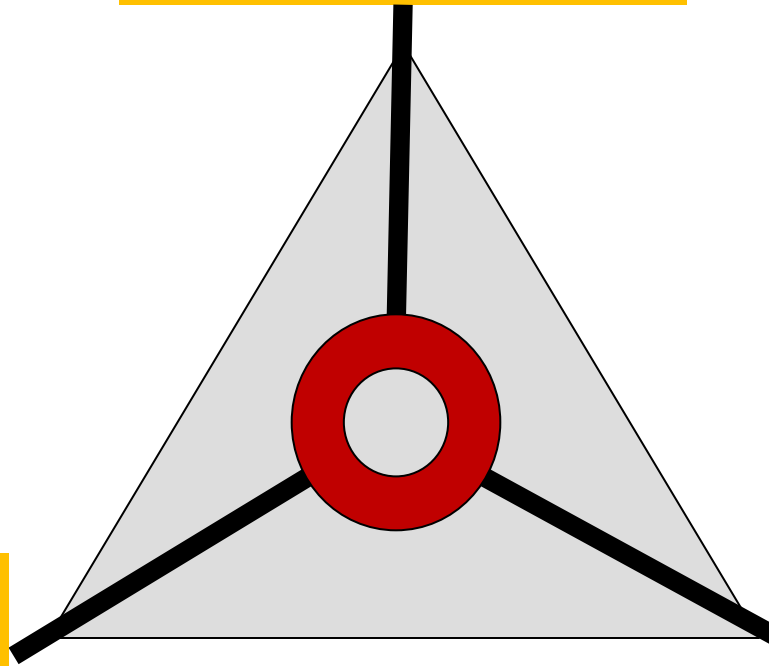
- ACOs
- Episode-based payments
- Value-based purchasing
- Patient Centered Medical Homes
- Data Transparency

# The “Three-Part Aim”

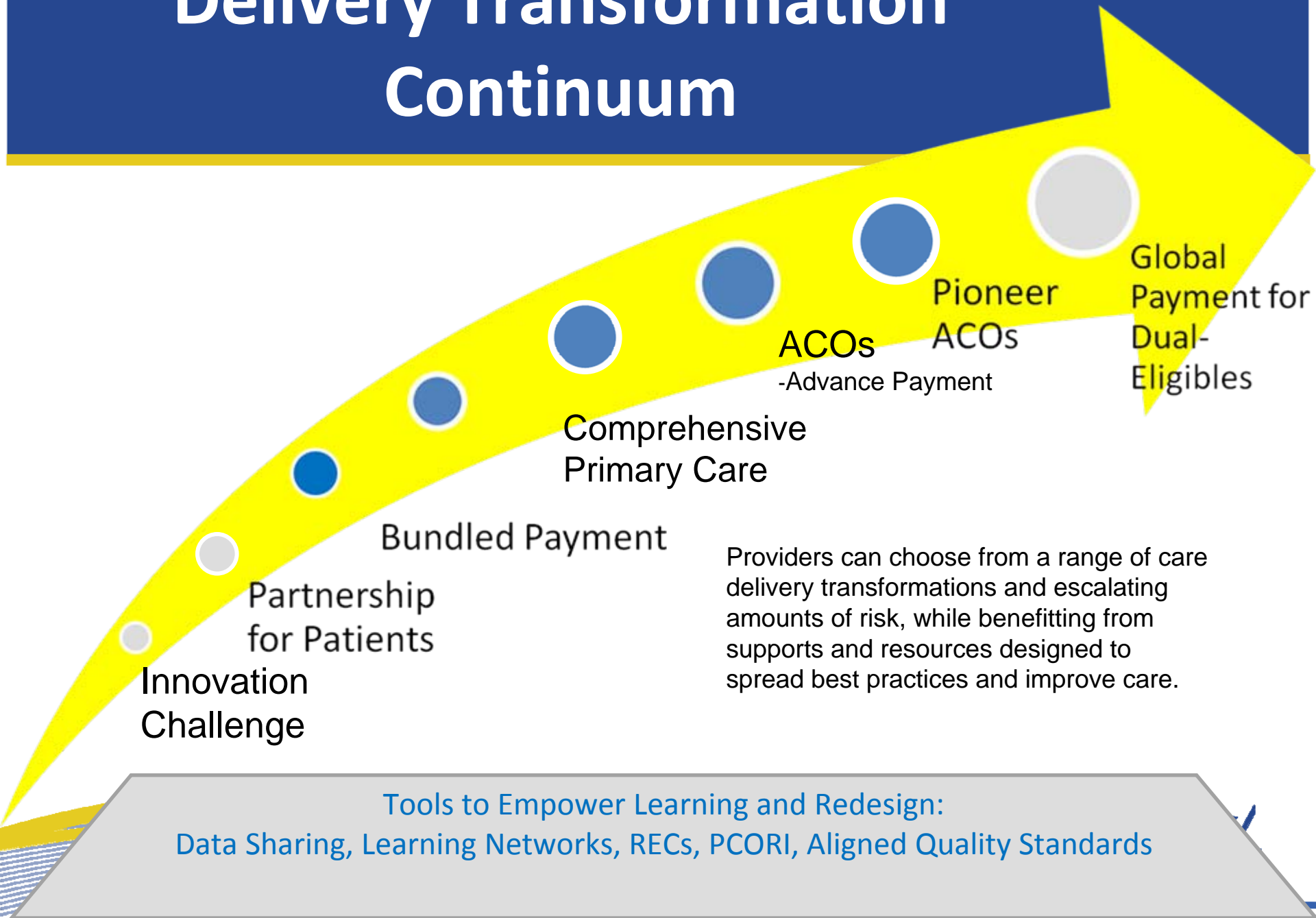
**Better Health for  
the Population**

**Better Care  
for Individuals**

**Lower Cost  
Through  
Improvement**



# Delivery Transformation Continuum





# Payment System Reforms

- Accountable Care Organizations
- Hospital Value Based Purchasing
- Bundled Payment
- Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative
- Physician Value Based Modifier

# Medicare Shared Savings Program Goals

- The Shared Savings Program is a new approach to the delivery of health care aimed at reducing fragmentation, improving population health, and lowering overall growth in expenditures by:
  - Promoting accountability for the care of Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries
  - Improving coordination of care for services provided under Medicare Parts A and B
  - Encouraging investment in infrastructure and redesigned care processes



# The Pioneer ACO Model

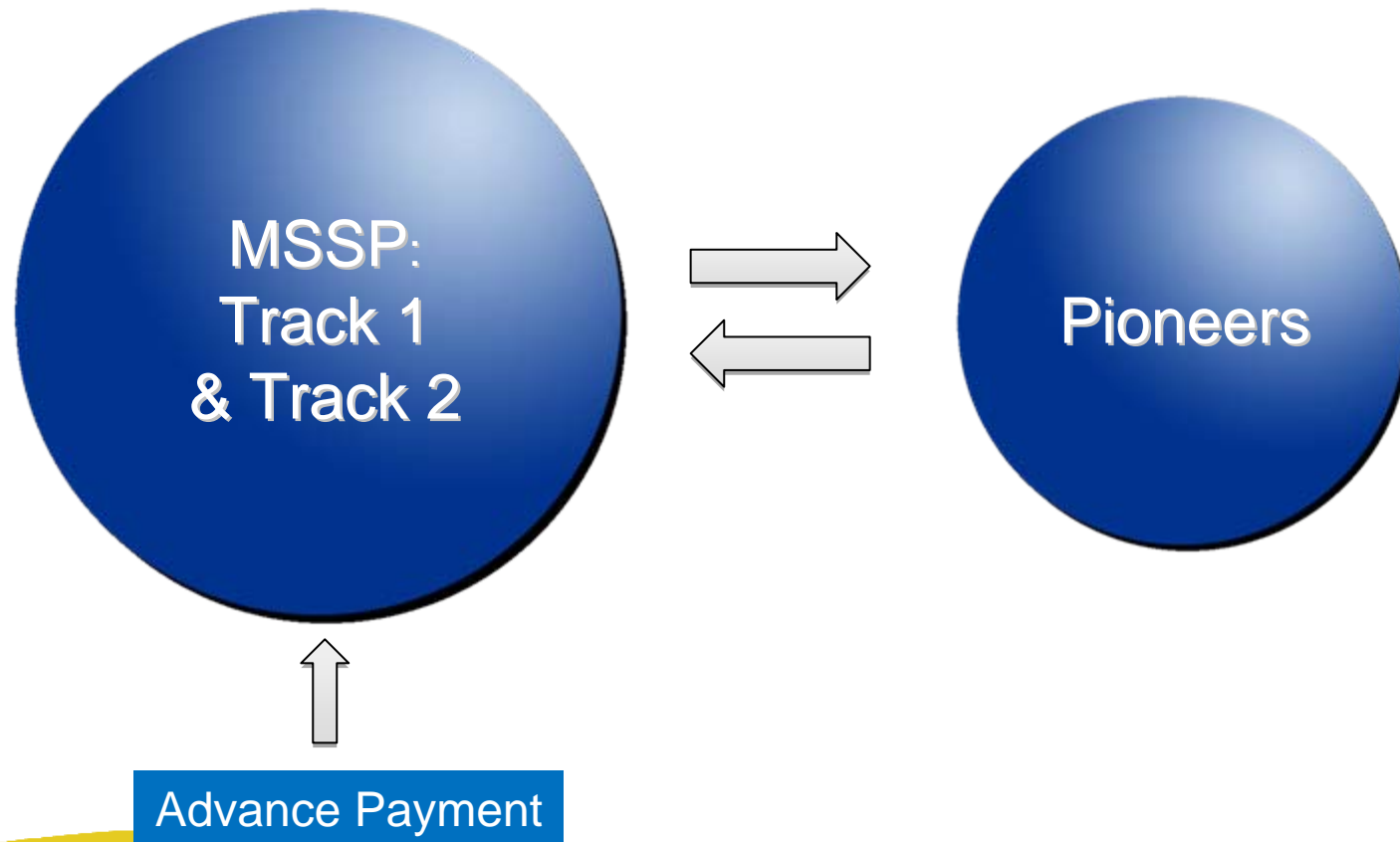
**GOAL:** Test the transition from a shared-savings payment model to a population-based payment.

- Designed for health care organizations and providers that are already experienced in coordinating care
- Requires ACOs to create similar arrangements with other payers.
- Expected to improve the health and experience of care for individuals, improve population health, and reduce the rate of growth in health care spending
- CMS will publicly report the performance of Pioneer ACOs on quality metrics
- 32 Participating ACOs announced in December 2011
- First performance period scheduled to begin in January 2012.

# Advance Payment Model

- GOAL:** Test whether pre-paying a portion of future shared savings will increase the participation and success of physician-based and rural ACO's in the Medicare Shared Savings Program
- Payments recouped through shared savings earned by ACO
  - Open to ACOs participating in Shared Savings Program
    - Only available for April 1, 2012 and July 1, 2012 start dates
  - Application Deadlines:
    - April 1 start date: applications accepted Jan 3 – Feb 1, 2012
    - July 1 start date: applications accepted Mar 1 – Mar 30, 2012 (consistent with Shared Savings Program)
  - E-mail questions to [advpayaco@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:advpayaco@cms.hhs.gov).

# CMS's ACO Strategy: *Creating Multiple Pathways with Constant Learning and Improving*



# Bundled Payments for Care Improvement

**GOAL:** Testing the effect of “bundling” payments for multiple services that a patient receives during a single episode of care. Fostering better care coordination and improved care quality through payment innovation.

## **Four patient-centered approaches:**

- Acute care hospital stay only
- Acute care hospital stay plus post-acute care associated with the stay
- Post-acute care only
- Prospective payment of all services during inpatient stay

# Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative

**GOAL:** Test a multi-payer initiative fostering collaboration between public and private health care payers to strengthen primary care.

- Requires investment across multiple payers, because individual health plans, covering only their members, cannot provide enough resources to transform primary care delivery.
- CMS is inviting public and private insurers to collaborate in purchasing high value primary care in communities they serve.
- Medicare will pay approximately \$20 per beneficiary per month (PBPM) then move towards smaller PBPM to be combined with shared savings opportunity.
- Will select 5-7 markets where majority of payers commit to investing in comprehensive primary care; approximately 75 practices per market.

# Practice and Payment Redesign through the CPC initiative

SUPPORTIVE MULTIPAYER ENVIRONMENT

Enhanced, accountable payment

Continuous improvement  
driven by data

Optimal use of health IT

**Comprehensive primary care functions:**

- Risk-stratified care management
- Access and continuity
- Planned care for chronic conditions and preventive care.
- Patient and caregiver engagement
- Coordination of care across the medical neighborhood

**COMPREHENSIVE  
PRIMARY CARE**

**Aims:**

- *Better health*
- *Better care*
- *Lower cost*



# Physician Value-Based Payment Modifier

# Delivery System Reforms

- **Partnership for Patients**
- **Million Hearts Campaign**
- **Innovation Advisors Program**
- **Healthcare Innovation Challenge**

# Partnership for Patients: Better Care, Lower Costs



New nationwide public-private partnership to tackle all forms of harm to patients.

## **GOALS:**

### **40% Reduction in Preventable Hospital Acquired Conditions over three years.**

- 1.8 Million Fewer Injuries
- 60,000 Lives Saved

### **20% Reduction in 30-Day Readmissions in Three Years.**

- 1.6 Million Patients Recover Without Readmission
- \$35 Billion Dollars Saved in Three Years

**Over 3,100 hospitals have signed pledge.**

# Improving Patient Safety



**GOAL:** Testing intensive programs of support hospitals as they make care safer.

- Provide national-level content for anyone and everyone
- Support every facility to take part in cooperative learning
- Establish an Advanced Participants Network for ambitious organizations to tackle all-cause harm
- Engage patients and families in making care safer
- Improve measurement and data collection, without adding burdens to hospitals

**\$218 million awarded to 26 organizations to operate hospital networks across the country that will make patient care safer**

# Million Hearts Campaign

[www.millionhearts.hhs.gov](http://www.millionhearts.hhs.gov)



**GOAL:** Prevent 1 million heart attacks and strokes over the next 5 years.

## **Clinical Prevention: improving care of the ABCS through**

<u>Focus</u>	simplifying and aligning quality measures; emphasizing importance of improved care of the ABCS'
<u>Health IT</u>	using electronic health records to improve care and enable quality improvement through clinical decision support, patient reminders, registries, and technical assistance.
<u>Care Innovations</u>	team-based care, interventions to promote medication adherence.

## **Community prevention: reducing the need for treatment through**

- Prevention of tobacco use.
- Improved nutrition: decreasing sodium and artificial trans-fat consumption.

# Innovation Advisors Program

**GOAL:** Support the Innovation Center's development and testing of new models of payment and care delivery in their home organizations and communities.

- Opportunity to deepen key skill sets in:
  - Health care economics and finance
  - Population health
  - Systems analysis
  - Operations research and quality improvement
- 1 year commitment; 6 months of intensive training.
- Up to \$20K Stipend available to home organizations.
- 73 Advisors selected in December 2011; up to 200 individuals will be selected within the first year.
- For further information, see: [www.orise.orau.gov/IAP](http://www.orise.orau.gov/IAP)

# Health Care Innovation Challenge

**GOAL:** To identify and support a broad range of innovative service delivery and payment models that achieve better care, better health and lower costs through improvement in communities across the nation.

## **Innovation Challenge projects will:**

- Improve care and lower costs for Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP beneficiaries.
- Reach populations with the greatest health care needs.
- Rapidly implement the proposed model.
- Develop, train, and deploy workforce in support of innovative health care payment and delivery models.

# Challenge Award Information

**Up to \$1 billion committed to 3 award cycles, with individual awards ranging from approximately \$1M to \$30M.**

## **Important Deadlines**

December 19, 2011: Letter of Intent Due

January 27, 2012: Application Due

March 30, 2012: Anticipated Award Date

For more information please e-mail [InnovationChallenge@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:InnovationChallenge@cms.hhs.gov)





# Health Care Delivery System Transformation

## Healthcare Delivery System 1.0



- Episodic Health Care
  - Sick care focus
  - Uncoordinated care
  - High Use of Emergency Care
  - Multiple clinical records
  - Fragmentation of care
- Lack integrated care networks
- Lack quality & cost performance transparency
- Poorly Coordinate Chronic Care Management

## Healthcare Delivery System 2.0



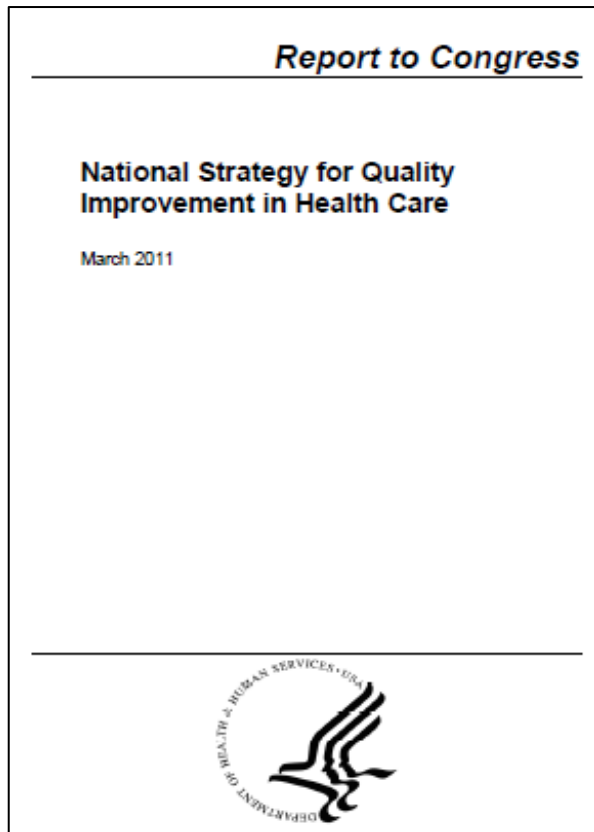
- Transparent Cost and Quality Performance
  - Results oriented
  - Access and coverage
- Accountable Provider Networks Designed Around the patient
- Focus on care management and preventive care
  - Primary Care Medical Homes
  - Utilization management
  - Medical Management

## Healthcare Delivery System 3.0



- Patient/Person Care Centered
  - Patient/Person centered Health Care
  - Productive and informed interactions between Family and Provider
  - Cost and Quality Transparency
  - Accessible Health Care Choices
- Aligned Incentives for wellness
- Integrated networks with community resources wrap around
- Aligned reimbursement/cost Rapid deployment of best practices
- Patient and provider interaction
  - Aligned care management
  - E-health capable
  - E-Learning resources

# National Quality Strategy promotes better health, healthcare, and lower cost



# National Quality Strategy and CMS

# OCSQ has a wide variety of tools to achieve the three-part aim of the National Quality Strategy

## OCSQ tool kit

- National coverage determinations
- Setting clinical standard for providers
- Survey and certification
- Technical assistance for quality improvement
- Public reporting of providers' quality performance
- Value-based purchasing

**These tools allow OCSQ to define the kind of care CMS pays for and to ensure it furthers the national quality strategy**

# CMS has a variety of quality reporting and performance programs, many led by OCSQ

Hospital Quality	Physician Quality Reporting	PAC and Other Setting Quality Reporting	Payment Model Reporting	"Population" Quality Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Program</li> <li>• PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals</li> <li>• Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities</li> <li>• Inpatient Quality Reporting</li> <li>• HAC payment reduction program</li> <li>• Readmission reduction program</li> <li>• Outpatient Quality Reporting</li> <li>• Ambulatory Surgical Centers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Program</li> <li>• PQRS</li> <li>• eRx quality reporting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility</li> <li>• Nursing Home Compare Measures</li> <li>• LTCH Quality Reporting</li> <li>• ESRD QIP</li> <li>• Hospice Quality Reporting</li> <li>• Home Health Quality Reporting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicare Shared Savings Program</li> <li>• Hospital Value-based Purchasing</li> <li>• Physician Feedback/Value-based Modifier*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicaid Adult Quality Reporting*</li> <li>• CHIPRA Quality Reporting*</li> <li>• Health Insurance Exchange Quality Reporting*</li> <li>• Medicare Part C*</li> <li>• Medicare Part D*</li> </ul>

\* Denotes that the program did not meet the statutory inclusion criteria for pre-rulemaking, but was included to foster alignment of program measures.

# Technical Assistance

## Quality Improvement Organizations Strategic Aims

### Beneficiary-Centered Care

- Case Review
- Patient and Family Engagement

### Improve Individual Patient Care

- Patient Safety – Reduce HACs by 40%
- *Improving Quality through Value Based Purchasing*

### Integrate Care for Populations

- Care Transitions that Reduce Readmissions by 20%
- Using Data to Drive Dramatic Improvement in Communities

### Improve Health for Populations and Communities

- Prevention through screening and immunizations
- Prevention in Cardiovascular Disease

**Learning and Action Networks, Onsite Technical Assistance,  
Spread Strategies**

# Aligned for Action – For Patient Safety

HAI/HAC Learning and Action Networks and Hands on Technical Assistance

HAI/HAC Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting Assistance

HAI/HAC Hospital Value Based Purchasing Assistance

## Partner Benefits

Active Learning and Teaching, Consumer Health Engagement Networks, Input into program development, Shaping system requirements with partners (e.g. NHSN development with CDC), High Performance leading to Payment Updates and Incentive Payments



# Aligned for Action-Readmissions

Technical Assistance with Completion of a Quality Application for Community Based Organization Work (3026)

Care Transitions and Reduction in Readmission Community Formation, Data Analysis, Technical Assistance and Coaching

## Partner Benefits

Active Learning and Teaching, Improving Consumer Health, Input into program development, Reduction in Readmissions, Savings related to payment penalties, Connecting with Community Partners



**Quality Improvement Organizations**

Sharing Knowledge. Improving Health Care.

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# Purpose statement for Value-Based Purchasing

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Value-based purchasing is a tool that allows CMS to link the National Quality Strategy with fee-for-service payments at a national scale. It is an important driver in revamping how services are paid for, moving increasingly toward rewarding providers and health systems that deliver better outcomes in health and health care at lower cost to the beneficiaries and communities they serve.

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# Value Based Purchasing Cycle



Measure development and selection

Monitoring and evaluation of process, measures, and quality improvement

Supportive policy and rule-making

- Integrated IT infrastructure
- Seamless communication with providers
- Public engagement and input
- Support of quality improvement
- Person-centeredness

Data collection



Data analysis and validation

Incentive calculation and disbursement



- Measurement Development and Selection

# OCSQ framework for measurement maps to the six national priorities

## Clinical care

- Acute care
- Chronic care
- Prevention
- Clinical efficiency and utilization

## Care coordination

- Transition of care measures
- Admission and readmission measures
- Provider communication

## Population/ community health

- Health behaviors
- Access to care
- Social and economic factors
- Physical environment
- Disparities in care (across all domains)

## Person- and Caregiver-centered experience and outcomes

- Patient experience
- Caregiver experience
- Patient –reported and functional outcomes

## Safety

- Patient Safety
- Provider Safety

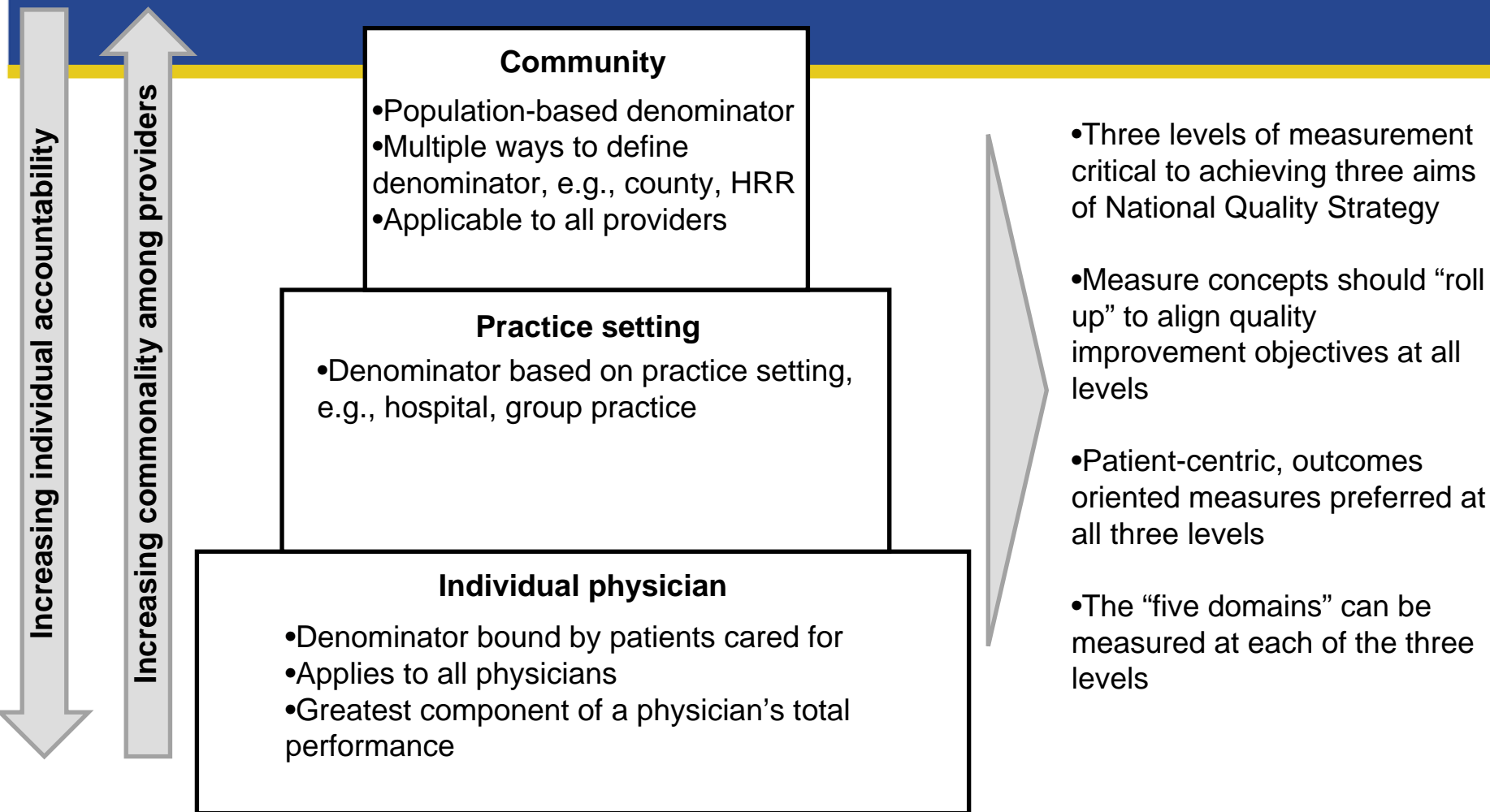
## Efficiency and cost reduction

- Annual spend measures (e.g., per capita spend)
- Episode cost measures
- Quality to cost measures

• Measures should be patient-centered and outcome-oriented whenever possible

• Measure concepts in each of the six domains that are common across providers and settings can form a core set of measures

# Quality can be measured and improved at multiple levels



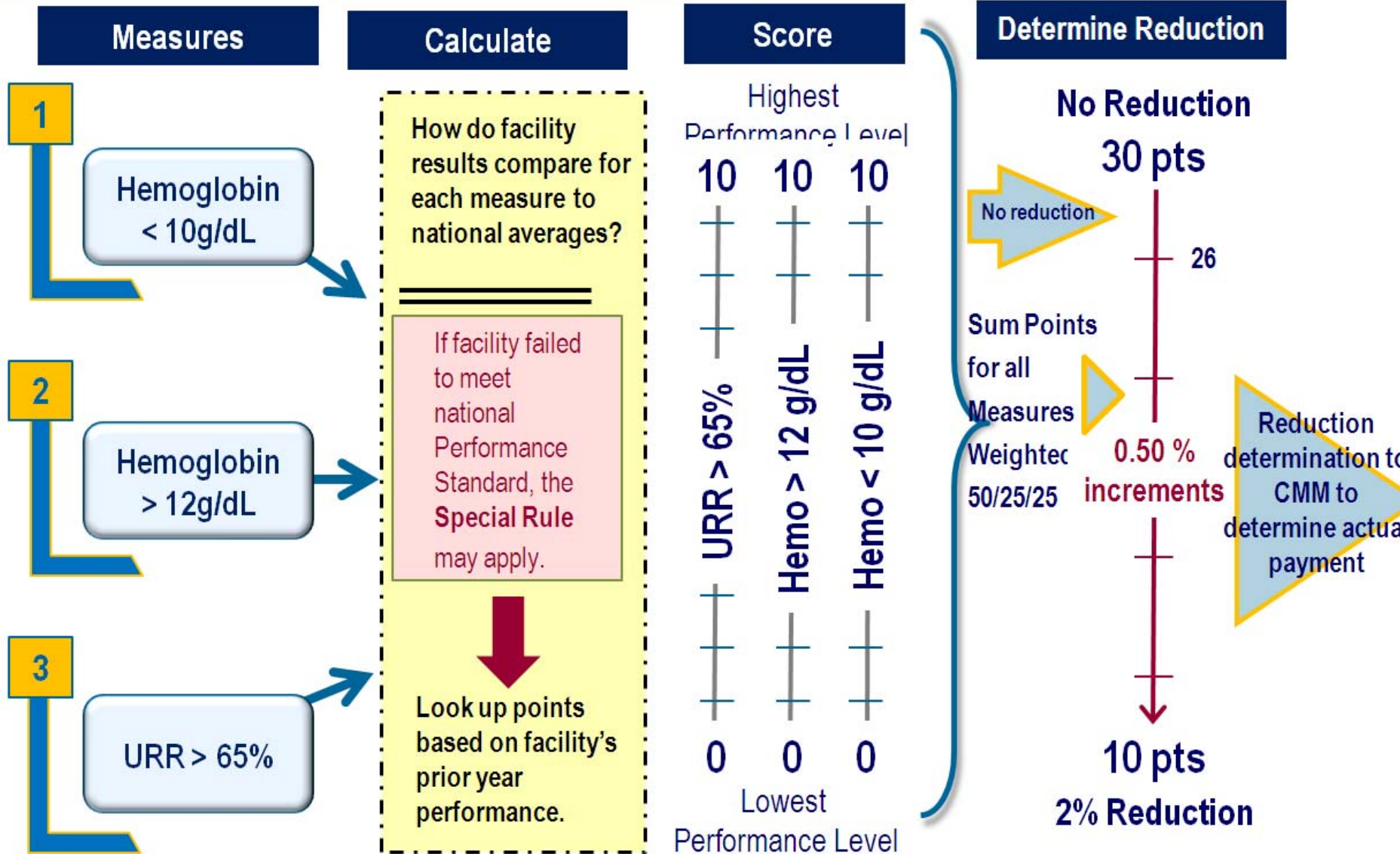


# Background on the Payment Year 2012 ESRD QIP



- **Section 153(c) of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) mandates the establishment of a QIP, which requires CMS to:**
  - Assess the quality of dialysis care by selecting quality measures, establishing performance standards and a performance period, and evaluating performance with respect to the standards.
  - Starting January 1, 2012, apply payment reductions of up to 2% for providers that do not meet standards (*based on scoring methodology published in the ESRD QIP Final Rule on January 5, 2011*).
  - Publicly report provider performance through a website and provide a Performance Score Certificate for each facility to post in their patient area.
- **The ESRD QIP is intended to complement the Prospective Payment System (PPS) by establishing a financial incentive for providing high-quality dialysis care.**

# 2012 ESRD QIP Model



# 2012 QIP Results

**For the PY 2012 ESRD QIP, 4,939 facilities received a Total Performance Score. Of these facilities:**

- 69.1 percent will receive no payment reduction as a result of meeting or exceeding the performance expectations.
- **The payment reductions for the remaining facilities are as follows:**
  - 16.6 percent will receive a 0.5 percent reduction
  - 6.0 percent will receive a 1.0 percent reduction
  - 7.7 percent will receive a 1.5 percent reduction
  - 0.6 percent will receive a 2.0 percent reduction



# PY 2013 Measures



- **Two measures have been adopted for the PY 2013 ESRD QIP:**
  - Percentage of patients with hemoglobin levels greater than 12 g/dL (Hemoglobin Greater Than 12 g/dL)
    - ❖ Lower percentage indicates better care
  - Percentage of patients with a Urea Reduction Ratio (URR) of 65% or greater (Hemodialysis Adequacy)
    - ❖ Higher percentage indicates better care
- **Facilities must have at least 11 patients eligible for each measure to receive a Total Performance Score**

# PY 2013: Payment Reductions



- A facility's Total Performance Score determines whether a payment reduction applies:

PY 2013 Payment Reduction Scale	
Total Performance Score	Percentage of Payment Reduction
30 points	No Reduction
26-29 points	1.0%
21-25 points	1.5%
20 points or less	2.0%

# PY 2014: Overview



- **The PY 2014 Final Rule broadens the scope of the ESRD QIP measures:**
  - Total of three clinical measures:
    - ❖ **Addition of one new clinical measure**
    - ❖ Clinical measures comprise 90% of the Total Performance Score
  - Total of three reporting measures:
    - ❖ **All reporting measures are new**
    - ❖ Reporting measures comprise 10% of the Total Performance Score
- **Scoring on clinical measures is based upon a facility's achievement or improvement on a measure**
- **The facility receives the higher of its achievement score or improvement score for each clinical measure**

# Introduction: Hospital VBP Program



- Initially required in the Affordable Care Act and further defined in Section 1886(o) of the Social Security Act
- Quality incentive program built on the Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting (IQR) measure reporting infrastructure
- Next step in promoting higher quality care for Medicare beneficiaries
- Pays for care that rewards better value, patient outcomes, and innovations, instead of just volume of services



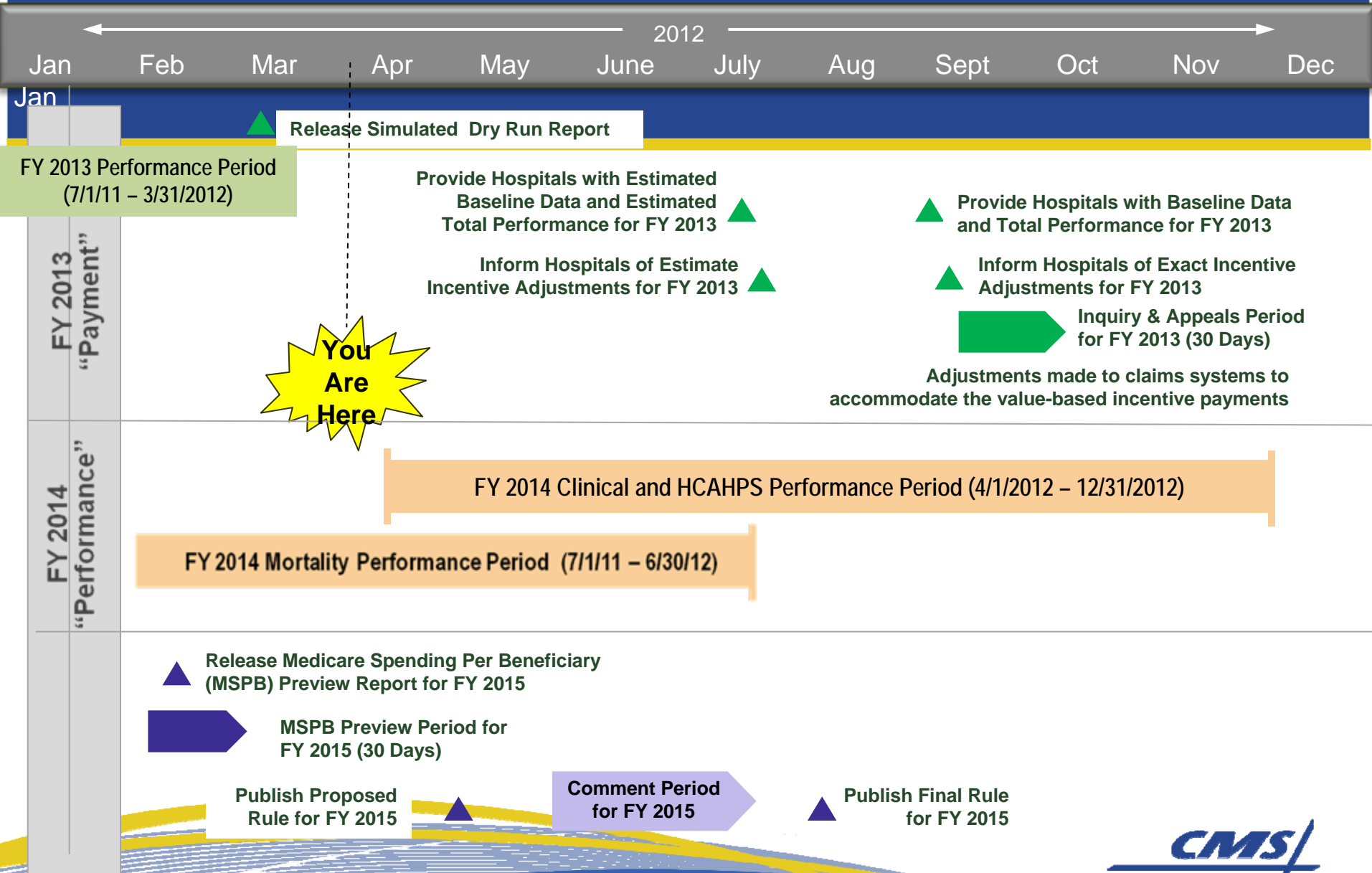
# Hospital VBP Program



- For the first time, 3,500 hospitals across the country will be paid for inpatient acute care services based on care quality.
- In FY 2013, an estimated \$850 million will be allocated to hospitals based on their overall performance on a set of quality measures that have been shown to improve clinical processes of care and patient satisfaction.
- This funding will be taken from what Medicare otherwise would have spent, and the size of the fund will gradually increase over time, resulting in a shift from payments based on volume to payments based on performance.
- Funded by a 1% withhold from participating hospitals' Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) payments raising to 2% by 2017.



# Hospital VBP Program for CY 2012 Critical Dates and Milestones

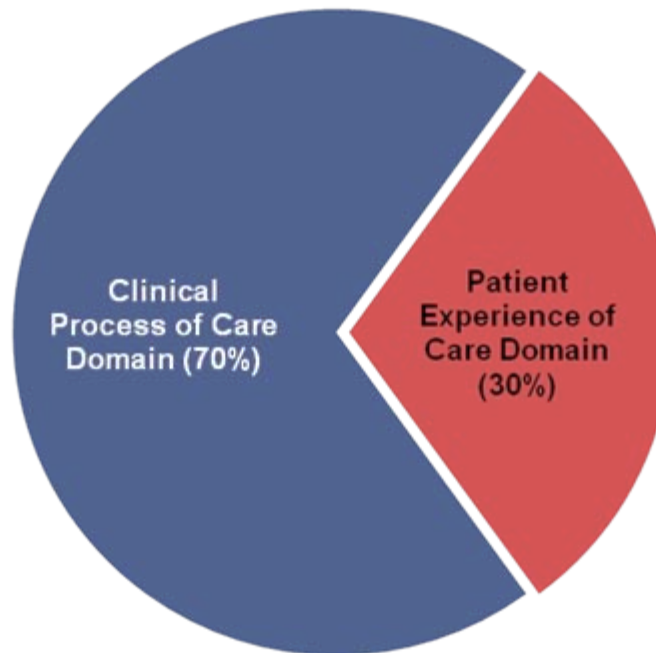


# FY2013 HVBP measures

## 12 Clinical Process of Care Measures

1. AMI-7a Fibrinolytic Therapy Received Within 30 Minutes of Hospital Arrival
2. AMI-8 Primary PCI Received Within 90 Minutes of Hospital Arrival
3. HF-1 Discharge Instructions
4. PN-3b Blood Cultures Performed in the ED Prior to Initial Antibiotic Received in Hospital
5. PN-6 Initial Antibiotic Selection for CAP in Immunocompetent Patient
6. SCIP-Inf-1 Prophylactic Antibiotic Received Within One Hour Prior to Surgical Incision
7. SCIP-Inf-2 Prophylactic Antibiotic Selection for Surgical Patients
8. SCIP-Inf-3 Prophylactic Antibiotics Discontinued Within 24 Hours After Surgery
9. SCIP-Inf-4 Cardiac Surgery Patients with Controlled 6AM Postoperative Serum Glucose
10. SCIP-Card-2 Surgery Patients on a Beta Blocker Prior to Arrival That Received a Beta Blocker During the Perioperative Period
11. SCIP-VTE-1 Surgery Patients with Recommended Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis Ordered
12. SCIP-VTE-2 Surgery Patients Who Received Appropriate Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis Within 24 Hours

## Weighted Value of Each Domain



## 8 Patient Experience of Care Dimensions

1. Nurse Communication
2. Doctor Communication
3. Hospital Staff Responsiveness
4. Pain Management
5. Medicine Communication
6. Hospital Cleanliness & Quietness
7. Discharge Information
8. Overall Hospital Rating

# How Will Hospitals Be Evaluated?

## FY 2013 Program Summary



- **Two domains: Clinical Process of Care (12 measures) and Patient Experience of Care (8 HCAHPS dimensions)**
- **Hospitals are given points for **Achievement** and **Improvement** for each measure or dimension, with the greater set of points used**
- **Points are added across all measures** to reach the Clinical Process of Care domain score
- **Points are added across all dimensions** and are added to the Consistency Points to reach the Patient Experience of Care domain score
- **70% of Total Performance Score based on Clinical Process of Care measures**
- **30% of Total Performance Score based on Patient Experience of Care dimensions**





# Simulated Hospital Report

## Estimated TPS Summary



### Hospital Value-Based Purchasing

#### Simulated Hospital Report

#### ABC Hospital

Provider ID: 123456

123 Main St.  
Anytown, MD 12345  
(555) 555-1234

#### BASELINE PERIOD:

1 Apr. 2008 - 31 Dec. 2008

#### PERFORMANCE PERIOD:

1 Apr. 2010 - 31 Dec. 2010

#### REPORT GENERATED:

07 Dec. 2012

### Estimated Total Performance Score (TPS) Summary

#### 1a. FACILITY

**72.35**<sub>/100</sub>  
earned/available

#### 1b. STATE

**49.15**<sub>/100</sub>

#### 1c. NATIONAL

**46.83**<sub>/100</sub>



# Simulated Hospital Report Estimated Value-Based Incentive Payment Percentage



## Hospital Value-Based Purchasing

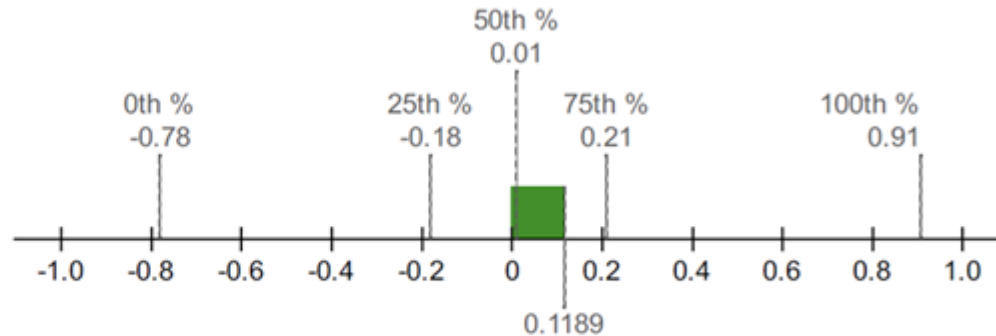
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### Estimated Value-Based Incentive Payment Percentage

2a. ESTIMATED NET CHANGE  
IN BASE-OPERATING DRG  
PAYMENT

**0.119%**

2b. NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF NET CHANGE IN BASE-  
OPERATING DRG PAYMENT



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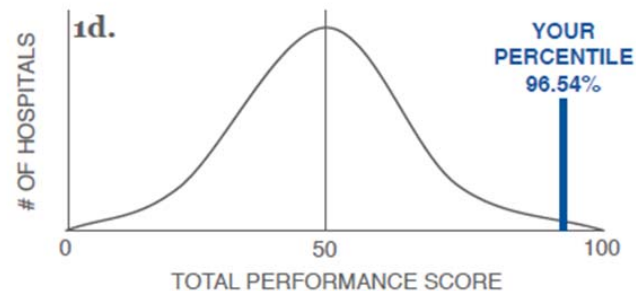
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## Unweighted Clinical Process of Care

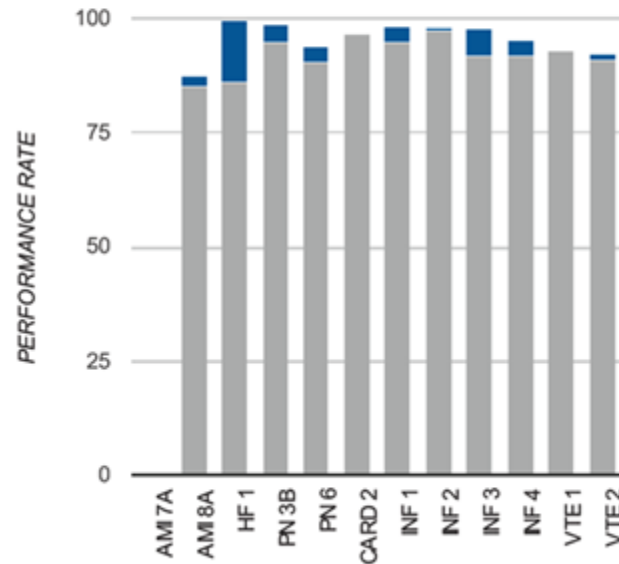
### Hospital Value-Based Purchasing

#### Simulated Hospital Report

3d. UNWEIGHTED CLINICAL PROCESS OF CARE  
DIMENSION SCORE (70% of TPS)

**69.00** /100

3e. CLINICAL PROCESS OF CARE MEASURE RATES



# Simulated Hospital Report

## Unweighted Patient Experience of Care

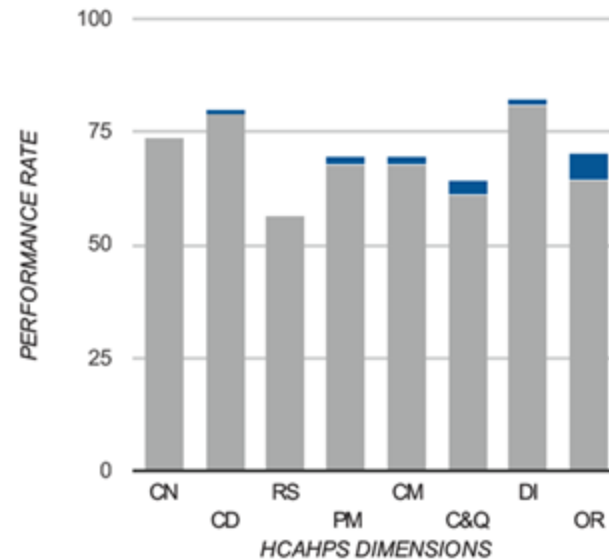
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3f. UNWEIGHTED PATIENT EXPERIENCE OF CARE DIMENSION SCORES (30% of TPS)

**31.00** /100

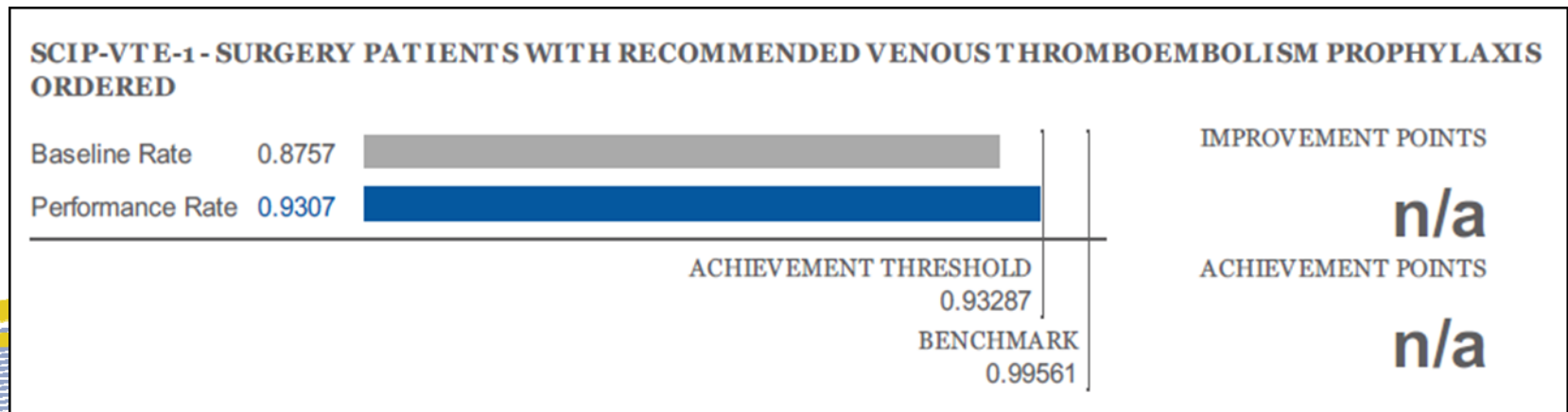
3g. PATIENT EXPERIENCE OF CARE DIMENSION RATES



# Clarification of Criteria for Clinical Scores in the Dry Run



- For the Simulated Performance Report, hospitals that do not report at least 10 cases for at least 4 measures will not be given:
  - A Total Clinical Domain Score
  - A Total Performance Score
  - An Incentive Adjustment
- For measures that do not meet the minimum 10 cases, hospitals will see “n/a” instead of a score for the Improvement and Achievement points.



# Simulated Hospital Report Patient Experience Domain Score



## Hospital Value-Based Purchasing

Simulated Hospital Report

### Patient Experience of Care (HCAHPS) Dimensions

5a. PATIENT  
EXPERIENCE DOMAIN  
SCORE

**31.00** /100

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5b. BASE SCORE

**14** /80

+

5c. CONSISTENCY SCORE

**17** /20





# Simulated Hospital Report Consistency Points Details

## Hospital Value-Based Purchasing

Simulated Hospital Report

### Consistency Points Details


7a. CONSISTENCY SCORE

**17** /20 POINTS

7a. Your Hospital's Consistency Score is shown based on a maximum of 20 points.

7b. LOWEST HCAHPS DIMENSION:  
RS - RESPONSIVENESS OF HOSPITAL STAFF

7c. Performance Rate 56.07%



A horizontal bar chart with a blue bar representing the performance rate of 56.07%. The bar is positioned between a vertical dashed line for the floor (29.05%) and another vertical dashed line for the threshold (60.64%). A third vertical dashed line for the benchmark (77.81%) is located to the right of the threshold. The performance bar is approximately 60% of the way between the floor and the threshold.

Category	Value
7d. FLOOR	29.05%
7e. THRESHOLD	60.64%
7f. BENCHMARK	77.81%
7c. Performance Rate	56.07%



# What are your best ideas?

- This dramatic shift in payment policy may cause a commensurate change in how care is delivered in this country
- The intent is to ensure that care improves; however, often changes in payment of this nature can have unintended consequences
- As the program continues to develop several policy areas must continue to be explored including:

# What are your best ideas?

- How will policy decisions impact the patient, family and caregivers?
- How will practice patterns change as a result of the model?
- How do we ensure that we do not unnecessarily disproportionately impact facilities based on its characteristics?
- How do we allow for the greatest level of participation in the programs and what are the trade offs?

# What are your best ideas?

- What are the proper domains of care and how should each be weighted in the payment formula?
- Is the program overly burdensome?
- What is the right model for the payment adjustment?
- How do we ensure that we have heard from the people most impacted by the decisions in the field and in their homes and how do we ensure we have considered the multiple and varied view points?

# What are your best ideas?

- Are the measurements of performance accurate, fair, feasible and reflective of systematic difference?
- What are the proper domains of care and how should each be weighted in the payment formula?
- Is the program overly burdensome?
- What is the right model for the payment adjustment?
- How do we ensure that we have heard from the people most impacted by the decisions in the field and in their homes and how do we ensure we have considered the multiple and varied view points?

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# Questions? Suggestions?

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# For Additional Information:

- Accountable Care Organizations: <https://www.cms.gov/ACO/>
- Hospital Value Based Purchasing: <https://www.cms.gov/Hospital-Value-Based-Purchasing/>
- End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Center: <https://www.cms.gov/center/esrd.asp>
- Million Hearts Campaign: [www.millionhearts.hhs.gov](http://www.millionhearts.hhs.gov)
- Partnership for Patients:  
<http://www.healthcare.gov/center/programs/partnership/join/index.html>
- <http://partnershippledge.healthcare.gov/>
- Department of Health and Human Services' health care reform web site:  
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