

**advanced preventive care**

a system design for population health

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# HQP's story

# orientation to HQP

Health Quality Partners (HQP, [hqp.org](http://hqp.org))

design, test, and disseminate models of care that improve the health of vulnerable populations

29-member team based in Doylestown, PA

incorporated in 2000, non-profit 501(c)3

# our work and supporters

Traditional Medicare – Medicare Coordinated Care Demonstration

Medicare Advantage – higher-risk members of Aetna plans

Bundled Payment (BPCI) - St. Mary Medical Center

State Innovation Model planning – lead consultant for Maryland  
(2013)

Research with NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health

Design Innovation - Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers  
(CCHP)

*Additional support generously provided by Doylestown Hospital*

# CMS - Medicare Coordinated Care Demo

11 years, 11 months, 19 days

3,000+ chronically ill older adults enrolled

community-based nursing designed to provide  
advanced preventive care

*randomized, controlled research trial*

outcomes

25% fewer deaths ( $p < 0.05$ )

people (participants, families, docs) like it

no known adverse events or side effects

*Coburn et al, PLoS Medicine, July 2012*

*Fourth Report to Congress, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc., March, 2011*



for those at 'higher-risk';

39% fewer hospital admissions

37% fewer ER visits

28% lower net health care cost (\$397 PPPM)

(all  $p \leq 0.05$ )

“... HQP, also showed promise, ... for this subgroup [highest severity cases] both differences were large (-29% for hospitalizations and -20% for expenditures) and statistically significant (P=.009 and P=.07, respectively).”

AVOIDABLE ADMISSIONS

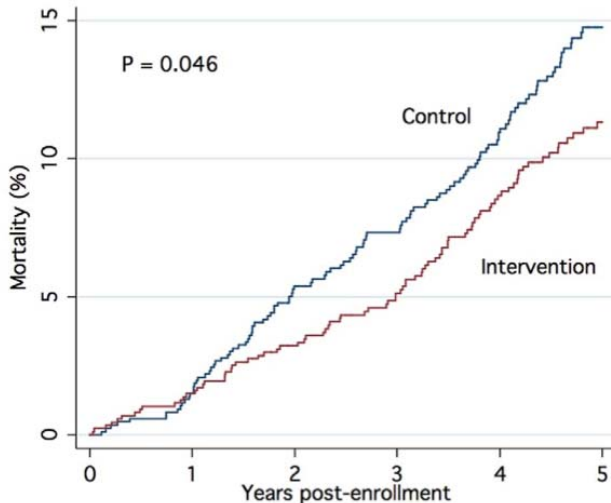
By Randall S. Brown, Deborah Peikes, Greg Peterson, Jennifer Schore, and Carol M. Razafindrakoto

Six Features Of Medicare Coordinated Care Demonstration Programs That Cut Hospital Admissions Of High-Risk Patients

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NO. 6 (2012): 1156-1166  
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The People-to-People Health  
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“... Health Quality Partners, reduced hospitalizations by 30 per 100 beneficiaries (33 percent; p=0.02)”

“... The demonstration program with the largest effects, at Health Quality Partners, was very data-driven, tracking care coordinators’ performance and continually assessing the effectiveness of newly introduced interventions component and refinements to existing ones ...”



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PLoS MEDICINE

Effect of a Community-Based Nursing Intervention on Mortality in Chronically Ill Older Adults: A Randomized Controlled Trial

Kenneth D. Coburn\*, Sherry Marcantonio, Robert Lazansky, Maryellen Keller, Nancy Davis

Health Quality Partners, Doylestown, Pennsylvania, United States of America

“... Overall, a 25% lower relative risk of death (hazard ratio [HR] 0.75 ... the adjusted HR was 0.73 (95% CI 0.55-0.98, p=0.033).”

# preventing the ‘unpreventable’ among a high-risk Medicare population

HQP’s results from:

Fourth Report to Congress on the Medicare Coordinated Care Demonstration

no statistically significant impact on “preventable hospitalizations”,  
but a highly significant reductions in overall hospitalizations;

Annualized Number of Hospitalizations

Control Group Mean	Treatment-Control Difference	% Difference	p-value
0.894	-0.347	-38.8	<0.01

# Aetna - Medicare Advantage

completing year 4

1,600 chronically ill older adults

*difference-in-differences evaluation done by*

*Aetna's medical economics division*



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## Aetna, Health Quality Partners See Fewer Admissions, Lower Costs from Care Management Program

hospitalizations reduced 17-20%

costs reduced 16-18%

gain share bonus to HQP 3 consecutive years

# The Washington Post

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2013

## BUSINESS

The nurse's house call:

# If this were a pill, you'd do anything to get it



AMANDA VOISARD FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

**DELIVERING CARE:** Patty Graefe, a nurse with Health Quality Partners, makes her weekly visit to Paul and Betty Bradfield at their home near Doylestown, Pa.

# success factors / design principles

person-centered	(person)
population-relevant	(population)
reliable	(program / system)

Key operational domains: *policies & protocols, staff training, participant education, data management, advanced analytics, and management practices*

actualizing design principles through key operational domains





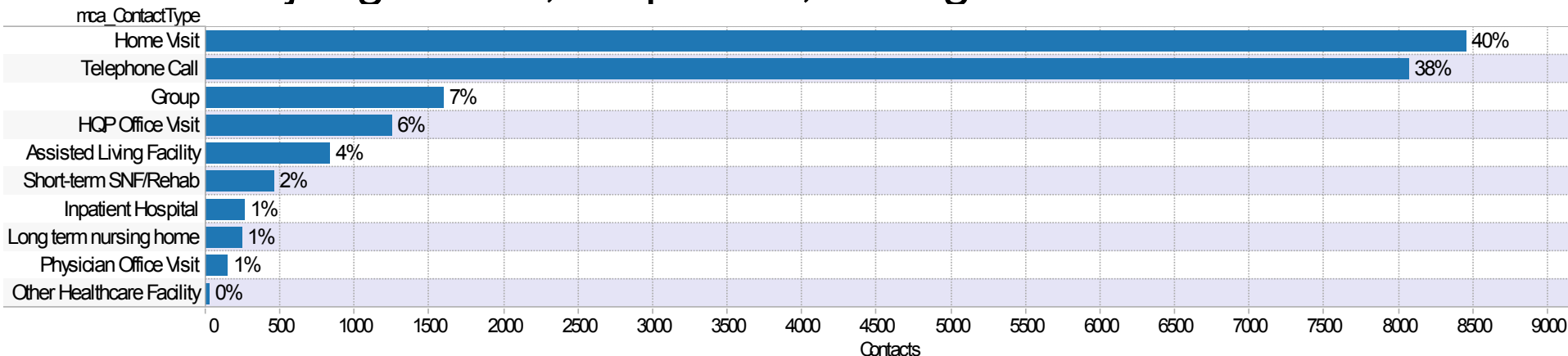
# person-centered

longitudinal, continuous, proactive, dynamic

frequent contacts; avg 29/year, most (60%) are in-person

location and delivery as preferred by participant

non-judgmental, respectful, caring



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go when and where needed



listen without judging



# population-relevant

a robust portfolio of 30-35 interventions selected based on their ability to mitigate health risks prevalent in the target population – *taking a broad view of health risks and determinants*

best-in-class: assessments, monitoring, self-management, medication management, lifestyle behaviors, weight management, seated chair exercise, primary care and specialist collaboration, harnessing community resources, advanced care planning, ..., etc.

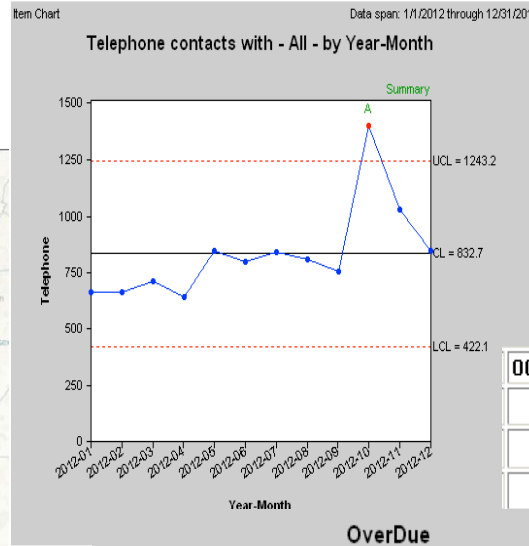
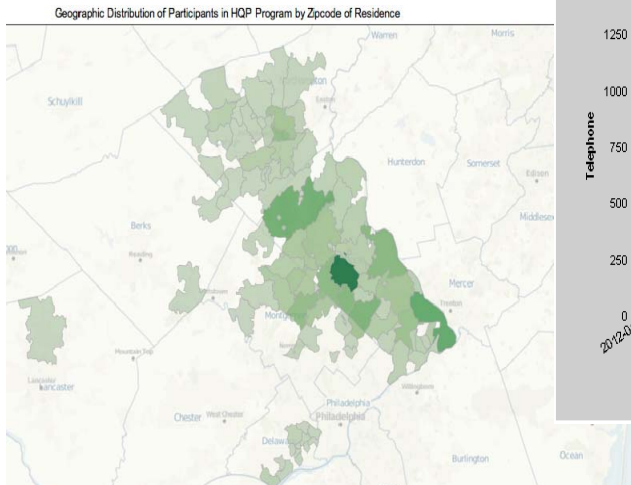
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use everything  
that can help

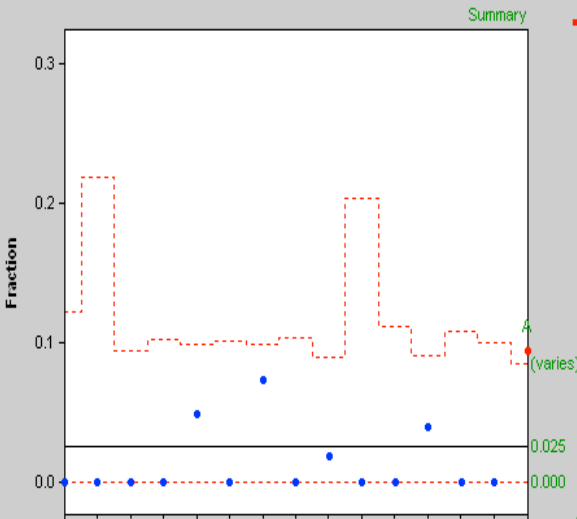
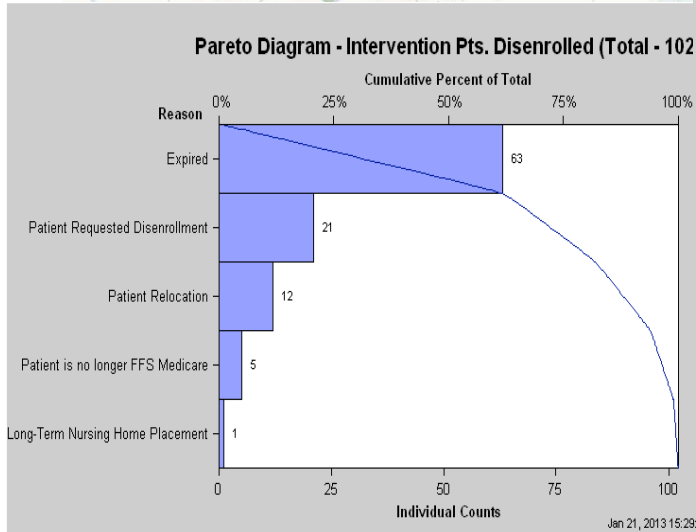


# reliability requires new data, analytics, reports, and dashboards *focusing on service delivery*



SBP_Value	LDL_Value	HDL_Value	TG_Value	A1C_Value	Waist_C	AST	CAD	CPDP	DM	HF	HTN	LPD
100	100	55	222	71	41		X		X			
102	102	50	143	51	47.5		X		X	X	X	
111	101	125	151	5.5	41				X			
105	110	70	99	6	41				X	X	X	
106	80	85	94	10	40.5		X			X	X	
100	101	48	98	10	46		X	X			X	X
106	77	67	101	5.8	45		X		X	X	X	
110	117	84	58	5.9	31				X	X	X	X
102	54	62	70	7.2	49		X		X	X	X	X
116	54	82	124	10	37		X					

OverDue	OOO	Overdue	Good	status	Roster
41%	16%	16%	25%		▼
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31%	22%	18%	27%		▼
10%	31%				▼
19%	19%				▼
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10%	30%				▼
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15%	30%				▼
2%	37%				▼
30%	12%				▼



# SE Pennsylvania; HQP participants by zip code of residence

scalable

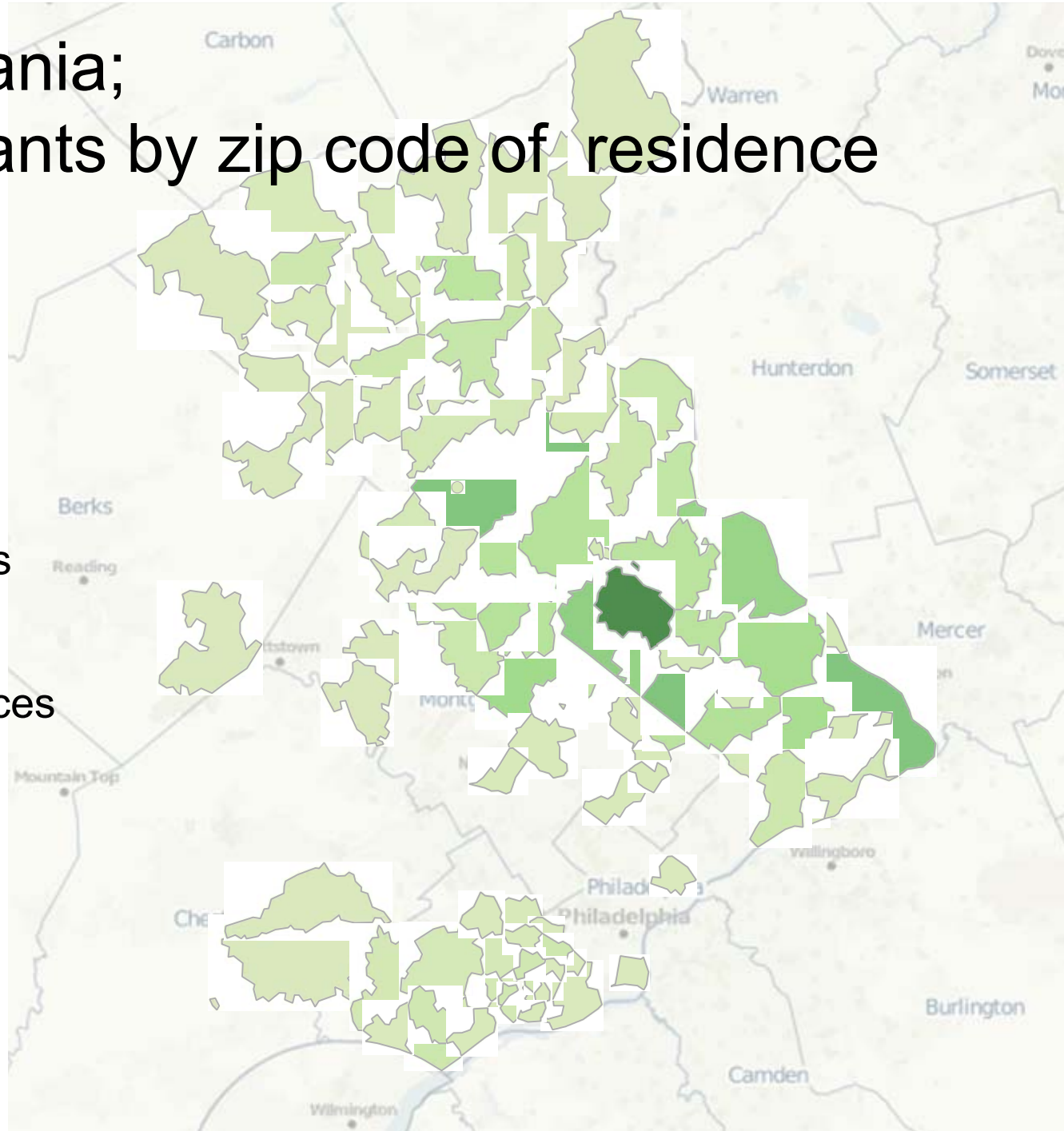
856 active participants

6+ counties

100+ physician practices

7+ health systems

Maryland estimate  $\approx$  490  
nurses



# HQP's experience is worth building on and utilizing with(in) other initiatives

evidence of population health impact still accruing for;

1. patient centered medical homes (Friedberg et al, JAMA 2014; Jackson et al, Annals Int Med 2013; Boult et al, Arch Int Med 2011, etc)

2. ACO's, MSSP's, BPCI, ...

HQP's design framework has *promising attributes*;

- rigorously evaluated (RCT) with + outcomes
- adaptable to populations, settings, and delivery systems
- scalable with fidelity and the aid of new tools (PaaS)





SPERO™

A care system and platform designed by HQP to transform  
the health of vulnerable populations

[sperohealth.org](http://sperohealth.org)

facilitating implementation of advanced preventive care  
testing Qtr2 2014, available on a select basis Q3/4 2014

# myth busters

most hospitalizations among higher-cost Medicare beneficiaries are not preventable – BUSTED

Shorter/cheaper interventions always achieve a better ROI than longer/more costly interventions – BUSTED

case management, care coordination, etc. are basically all the same – BUSTED

it's impossible to scale a high-touch care program even if it is effective and has a positive ROI – *waiting to be busted*

# a plea (and checklist) for leaders

courage

disciplined design

person-centered, population-relevant, reliable

constancy to purpose

hopefulness, possibility, and joy

thank you

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if your organization is interested in replicating or scaling  
HQP's advanced preventive care model or just busting  
myths

- email me at [coburn@hqp.org](mailto:coburn@hqp.org)