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Enhancing Hospital Commitment to Patients and Care Partners

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Agenda

TOPIC	SPEAKER
Introduction	NYSPFP Staff
Effectively Engaging Patients and Care Partners	Amy Boutwell, M.D., M.P.P., Collaborative Healthcare Strategies
Closing and Q&A	NYSPFP Staff



NYSPFP Readmission Reduction Focus - Goal

Reduce hospital preventable readmissions by 12%



NYSPFP Readmission Reduction Focus

What is a Care Partner*?

The term “care partner” highlights a family member, friend, or caregiver as an extension of the health care team and is promoted by the Institute for Patient and Family Centered Care[®](IPFCC), Planetree, and Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This term can be used interchangeably with “caregiver” as defined in the Caregiver Advise, Record and Enable (CARE) Act.

*The NYS Department of Health has provided the following clarification: “if different terminology is used to refer to a caregiver as specified in the CARE Act, a clarifying statement in the hospital’s policies and procedures is recommended to clarify intent.”



NYSPFP Readmission Reduction Focus

NYSPFP “CALL TO ACTION: Engaging the Patient and Care Partner in Preventing Readmissions”

- 14 in-person working sessions with approximately 150 hospitals throughout NYS
- Faculty facilitated follow-up coaching sessions with 67 hospitals who are actively working on action plans started during the Call to Action in person working sessions



NYSPFP Readmission Reduction Focus - Aims

- Establish a focus on patient and care partner engagement throughout the hospital stay as a leadership priority
- Employ bedside care redesign to identify and engage care partners throughout the hospital stay
- Move beyond CARE Act compliance to the spirit of the law by hard-wiring engagement of patients and care partners throughout the hospital stay



Dr. Amy Boutwell slide deck



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NYSPFP Care Partner Collaborative

Commit—Identify—Include—Prepare



Optimizing Care Partner Engagement

Commit: Become a Care Partner Hospital

- Dedicate a program leader
- Establish a Care Partner program
- Broadly promote the care partner role
- Continuously evaluate and improve the program

Identify: Patients choose their Care Partner

- Support patient to designate a qualified Care Partner
 - Introduce care partner to the medical team
 - Display name and contact info in highly visible areas
 - Provide a visual identifier for Care Partner to wear in the hospital
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Optimizing Care Partner Engagement

Include: Care Partner is a member of the health care team

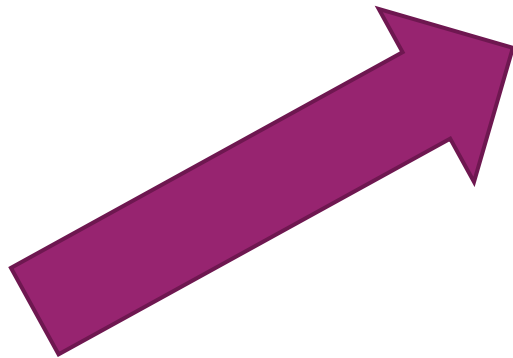
- Orient the Care Partner to the unit environment and routine
- Empower the Care Partner to perform simple patient care activities
- Invite the Care Partner to daily patient rounds and bedside huddles
- Involve the Care Partner in discussions about the patient's care plan

Prepare: Care Partners are prepared for the next transition

- Assess the Care Partner's education needs
 - Educate the Care Partners on essential care activities at home
 - Allow the Care Partner to demonstrate understanding using teach-back
 - Integrate the care partner into discharge planning
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National View



Three Foundational Principles to Tackle the Complexities of Readmissions

I. Know Your Data & Understand Root Causes

- Analyze data (quantitative and qualitative) to identify the “who,” the “why,” and the “risks,” to include socio-economic factors.

II. Effectively Engage Patient and Care Partner

- Integrate care partners into the process right away and involve throughout care continuum and at discharge.

III. Reliably & Consistently Deliver Care Transitions

- Ensure your care coordination/transition interventions are being done effectively and consistently.

Opportunity is Now

- Hospitals are penalized for excessive 30-day readmissions rates under the Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program (HRRP).
- Payers are including hospital readmission quality measures to value-based reimbursement programs.
- Customer (Patient and Care Partner) experience scores are linked to care coordination.

Readmission Reduction Programs Need

- Strong Leadership support
- Policy that is executed into practice
- Dedicated staff
- Patient-centered focus
- Time, success begins with 1 – 2 interventions and then spreads.

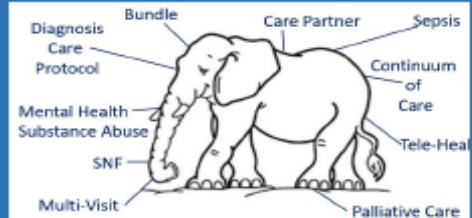
Building the Business Case

- Value-Based models are replacing Fee-For-Service
- Financial Well-Being
- Improve Quality of Care Across the Continuum
- Improve the Customer Experience
- Relieve Staff Stress and Reduce Burden

Many Pieces of the Large Readmissions Elephant

Portfolio of interventions hospitals may be working on:

- Diagnosis Care Protocols
- Care Transition Bundles
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Tele-Health Services
- Palliative Care Services
- Mental Health
- Substance Abuse
- Multiple Visit Patients (Frequent Flyers)
- Care Partner (Patient and Family) Engagement
- Sepsis Specific Interventions





Next Steps:

- Resources from today's webinar will be available on the NYSPFP website
 - The NYSPFP SNF Readmission Reduction toolkit is now also available on the NYSPFP website
 - NYSPFP request hospitals contact your NYSPFP Project Manager for more information regarding how to participate in **the Care Partner Collaborative**
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Question & Answers

