2023 Primary Care Value-based Programs | Program Comparison



Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) combines the expertise of medical staff with the efficiency of electronic health records (EHR) to manage and coordinate the patient experience through the entirety of



the continuum of care. This integrated approach makes navigating the complicated healthcare system easier for individual patients.

The purpose of transitioning to PCMH is to improve the patient's experience of care, improve the health of populations, and reduce or control the costs of healthcare. The Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) model allows the primary care provider and the patient to be the center of the healthcare system, to know what is going on and help the patient be in control of their own health.

PCMH is the first step along the path to value. The PCMH program is designed to enable practices to develop the infrastructure for more coordinated care, resulting in improved health and lower costs of care.

Primary Care First (PCF)

Primary Care First (PCF) combines a PCMH care delivery model and an advanced payment model, and aims to improve quality, improve patient experience of care, and reduce expenditures by increasing access to



advanced primary care services. PCF practices will deliver patientcentered, comprehensive, and continuous care. The specific approaches to care delivery will be determined by practice priorities.

PCF rewards participants with additional revenue for taking on limited risk based on easily understood, actionable outcomes. In addition to monthly care management fees, practices receive monthly professional population-based payments to allow flexibility in caring for patients in innovative ways.

PCF is an advanced payment model along the path to value and is best suited for advanced practices who have already implemented basic PCMH processes

In both PCMH and PCF Programs:

- Clinics receive instruction, training, strategies, and coaching by Primary Care Representatives
- Clinics receive monthly care management fees to fund transformation efforts and care coordination
- Clinics have the opportunity to earn performance-based adjustments for controlling utilization and achieving quality metric targets.



