





Health Care Safety & Quality Today

- On any given day, 1 out of every 20 patients in American hospitals is affected by a hospital-acquired infection.
- Among chronically ill adults, 22 percent report a error in their care.
- One out of seven Medicare beneficiaries is harmed in the course of their care, costing the federal government over \$4.4 billion each year.
- Medical harm is the fourth leading cause of death in the U.S. Each year, 100,000 Americans die from preventable medical errors in hospitals

 more than auto accidents, AIDS, and breast cancer combined.
- Despite pockets of success we still see massive variation in the quality of care, and no major change in the rates of harm and preventable readmissions over the past decade.

We can do much better - and we must.

Source: US Department of Health & Human Service



The Affordable Care Act Improves Health Care Quality

- The Affordable Care Act is best known for helping to cover millions of previously uninsured Americans.
- The new law is also reducing costs while improving the experience of being a patient, being a caregiver, and being a health care provider.
- The Partnership for Patients: Better Care, Lower Costs is one example of how the President is using provisions of the Affordable Care Act to make health care in America safer, more efficient, and less costly.

Source: US Department of Health & Human Services



Improvement Is Possible

- 150 New Jersey health care facilities reduced pressure ulcers by 70%.
- Rhode Island reported a 42% decrease in Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infections (CLABSI) (2006-2007).
- CLABSI rates dropped 35% in adult ICUs among the 350 hospitals participating in the On the CUSP: Stop Blood Stream Infections project.
- More than 65 Institute for Healthcare Improvement Campaign hospitals reported going more than a year without a ventilatorassociated pneumonia in at least one unit.
- Ascension Health sites participating in a 2007 perinatal safety initiative achieved birth trauma rates that were at or near zero.
- And many more...



Partnership for Patients: Better Care, Lower

Secretary Sebelius has launched a new nationwide public-private partnership to tackle all forms of harm to patients. The Partnership's

- Keep patients from getting injured or sicker. By the end of 2013, preventable hospital-acquired conditions would decrease by 40% compared to 2010.
 - Achieving this goal would mean approximately 1.8 million fewer injuries to patients with more than 60,000 lives saved over the next three years.
- Help patients heal without complication. By the end of 2013, preventable complications during a transition from one care setting to another would decreased so that all hospital readmissions would be reduced by 20% compared to 2010.
 - Achieving this goal would mean more than 1.6 million patients would recover from illness without suffering a preventable complication requiring re-hospitalization within 30 days of discharge.

Potential to save up to \$35 billion dollars over three years.



The Partnership's Vision for Improvement

- Hospitals make achieving the goals of harm reduction and improved care transitions to reduce readmissions a priority of the Board of Directors, senior leaders, clinicians, and staff.
- Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and other health professionals redesign activities across clinical settings to reduce harm, reduce preventable readmissions, and improve care transitions, engage with patients and families to implement practices that foster more patient-centered care, and improve safety, communication, and
- Employers, unions, and insurers work together to help beneficiaries access safe health care, make patient care safer and support effective transitions of patients between hospitals and other settings.
- The federal government encourages innovations, partners with the private sector in the use of incentives to drive improvements in health care safety, quality, and value.

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Getting Started

- Build on tremendous private sector enthusiasm
 - Hundreds of hospitals, clinicians, employers, insurers, co community organizations have already signed up!
- Work with the Partnership's partners to support the hard work of changing care delivery to make care safer

 Up to \$500 million in financial support from the CMS Innovation Center

 National-level content for anyone and everyone

 Supports for every facility to take part in cooperative learning

 An Advanced Participants Network for ambitious organizations to tackle all-cause harm

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 - Patient, family and professional engagement Improved measurement and data collection, without adding burdens to hospitals
- Work with communities to improve transitions between
 - CMS is now accepting applications to participate in the Community-Based Care Transitions Program \$500 million available for community-based organizations

ource: US Department of Health & Human Services



Getting Started

- Join the Partnership for Patients by signing the pledge and forwarding info to colleagues.
- Join the National Priorities Partnership online for a kick-off meeting and
- Identify contacts within your existing network and elsewhere and have a "getting started" conversation.
- Agree on the definition of adverse drug event and medication reconciliation, and identify a point person in your organization to lead your work.
- Engage your senior leadership and physician colleagues and obtain their support and participation.
- Publicly commit to the goals of the Partnership and celebrate getting started so your colleagues and community can join you and support you in your work.



Here Are Some of Our Partners

Hospitals: Ascension Health and its 65

- hospitals
 Catholic Healthcare West and its 40

- American College of Surgeons of California Californi

How to Get Involved!

Join the Partnership for Patients



Go to http://www.healthcare.gov/partnershipforpatients







Where does the pharmacist fit in the Affordable Care Act and the Partnership for Patients?

Absolutely!!	

HRSA Patient Safety and Clinical Pharmacy Services Collaborative (PSPC)

- Over 120 sites involvedCaring for some of our highest risk patients
- 49% reduction in rate of adverse drug events in 2400 patients in 2010
- 44% reduction in rate of adverse drug events in 4800 patient so far in 2011
- Working in both big cities and small towns



Insert pharmacists and pharmacy services into health care teams caring for patients with health care needs.

- Paynesville Area Health Care System

 2009 64% of clinic/hospital medication lists were inaccurate

 Currently have pharmacist access in hospital and clinic

 - Pharmacist-led medication safety team created to solve



Paynesville Area Health Care System

- Internal quality improvements moved us to 38% non-
- accurate lists

 2010 began medication reconciliation at 100% of care transitions
- · Involved all community health partners



Where will we be by end of 2011

- · Improved sharing of medication lists with our care partners
- Goal 90% accurate lists



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Where does the pharmacist fit in the Affordable Care Act and the Partnership for Patients?

- We need to get pharmacists involved at each level of care and care transition
 If there isn't a pharmacist involved- lets figure out a way to get one there.
 Lets show them what we can do!



Thanks for listening!





