Performance Improvement: Why Physicians Must Lead in a Value-Driven Health Care System

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## Agenda

Why performance improvement is critical in the current health system landscape The role of physicians and needed competencies in performance improvement What is healthcare performance improvement and critical areas to focus on Case studies using a management system approach incorporating Lean



# Why performance improvement is critical in the current health system landscape?

## **Current Landscape**

Affordable Care Act (ACA) uncertainty

Elimination of Individual Mandate established under the ACA in new tax bill

Roll back of certain Value Based Care initiatives

 Recent modification of CMS bundles Requirement to straddle Fee for Service (FFS) and Value Based Care (VBC) for foreseeable future

## **Current Landscape**

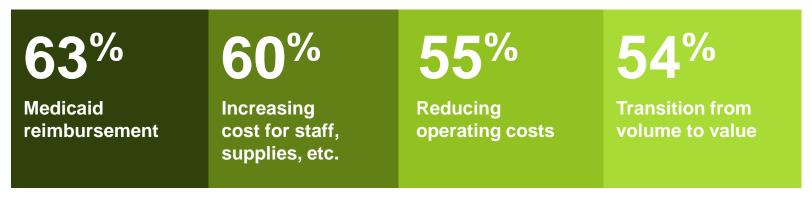
Mergers & Acquisitions

New Tax Law Impact on Hospitals

340 B Drug Discount Program Large Employers Collaboration Demanding Value

## The challenges ahead are vast and complex

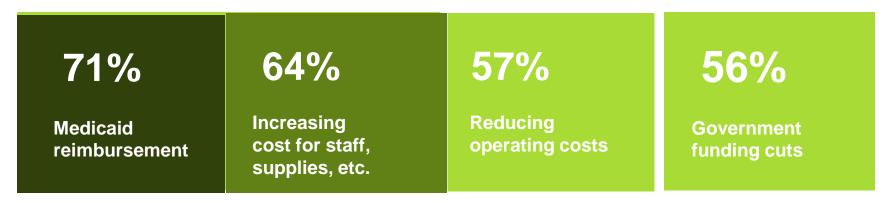
The most pressing financial challenges facing hospital CEOs 2017:



Source: American College of Healthcare Executives' annual survey of top issues facing hospitals; January 31, 2017

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Source: American College of Healthcare Executives' annual survey of top issues facing hospitals; Feb 1, 2018

Key issues Impacting Performance of Physicians



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Processes impacting access to patients

 Technology & processes to enable connectivity for authorizations and scheduling Electronic Health Record documentation

- Optimization of workflows
- Training
- Merger & Acquisitons impact

Required regulatory reporting such as MACRA and MIPS Why improve quality and performance?

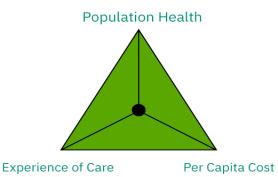
- Healthcare is more complex today
- Limited resources
- Increasing and aging populations
- Patients have more comorbid conditions
- Burnout in the healthcare workforce



Why improve quality and performance?

- Patients want and deserve:
  - Quality
  - Great outcomes
  - Patient safety
  - Value = quality/cost
- We are all in the business of taking care of patients
- We all want to be associated with something that has a **positive image**





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## The role of physicians and needed competencies in performance improvement

## Physician leadership

## - All physicians are leaders

- Formal vs Informal Roles
- Many clinical costs are created through decisions and orders written by physicians
- Hospitals have limitations in quality and financial improvement without physicians leading change
- Physicians must be leaders in change

Key factors in the development and success of physician leaders in hospitals & health systems



Willingness to serve and take on more responsibility in leadership and management Organizational commitment to physician leadership development Training and education in healthcare management and leadership



Mentoring

Networking and collaboration

## Key competencies for physician leaders

- Healthcare quality
- Patient safety
- Health analytics
- Information Technology
- Patient experience
- Performance improvement
- Crucial conversations
- Burnout & Resilience

- Healthcare Finance
- Management
- Leadership
- Team-based care
- Dyads and triads models
- Negotiation
- Population Health

Develop a Personalized Leadership & Management Development Checklist

- Review current state for each physician leader
  - Past Formal Education, Certifications, Courses, Roles/Positions
- Develop future state for leadership development
  - Roles/Positions
- Review gaps in key competency areas
  - Consider unique organizational needs? Academic, Teaching, Research

Solutions

- What? Courses, Certifications, Internal Mentoring, Individual vs Group
- Who? AAPL, ACMQ, AMGA, HIMSS, IHI, and many others
- Where? Live vs Online, Distance vs On-site



/ By the Numbers /

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For more than 40 years, we have helped physicians develop their leadership skills through education, career development and thought leadership, and by providing a supportive community of peers.

15,000+

The number of education participants since the Association was founded.

250,000

educated in 2017.

The number of physicians

3,300+

Certified Physician Executives since inception of the credential.





## Spheres of Leadership Influence

/ from Self to the Betterment of Health Care /





#### **Become a Leader**

#### **Fundamentals**

Leadership starts with honest self-awareness. Think about these questions – what are your values, and more importantly, why are they significant to you?

#### Lead Your Team

#### Developmental

Once you've analyzed and built your own personal values, you're ready to effectively lead others. But to inspire your peers, you need to build relationships – understand the environment in which they operate, and the things that are most important to them.



#### Lead Your Department

Experiential

When you effectively connect with those around you, you can begin to shape the culture, values and direction of an organization. Relying on the experience and acumen you've gained from others, you lead them to a new identity and way of thinking.



#### Lead Your Organization

Transformational

Once your organization (and those within it) are aligned, they start to generate new ideas and interesting lines of thought. You can leverage these insights and develop strategies that can change the industry and influence the world.

Level of Mastery	Stages	Traditional Roles	Non-Traditional Roles	Courses	Focus	Components and Characteristics	Outcome
Preparation	• Student • Resident	<ul> <li>Chief Resident</li> <li>Clinical Practice</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pharma</li> <li>Bio Tech</li> <li>Medical Device</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PIM Physician in Management Seminar</li> </ul>	• Learning	<ul> <li>Education, training, anticipation</li> </ul>	• Skills • Knowledge • Tools
Exploration	<ul> <li>Clinician</li> <li>Emerging Leader</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Clinical Practice</li> <li>Leading Committees</li> <li>President Medical Staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pharma</li> <li>Bio Tech</li> <li>Medical Device</li> <li>Wall Street</li> <li>Consultancy for Health Care Tech Startups</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Techniques of Financial Decision Making</li> <li>Three Faces of Quality</li> <li>Managing Physician Performance in Organizations</li> </ul>	• Growth	<ul> <li>Experience; discov- ery of strengths and weaknesses; learn- ing from feedback and mistakes; learn- ing about job "fit"</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Self-Awareness</li> <li>Experience</li> <li>Wisdom</li> </ul>
Application	<ul> <li>Established</li> <li>Leader</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CMO</li> <li>VPMA</li> <li>Medical</li> <li>Director</li> <li>COO</li> <li>CEO</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Entreprenurial Ventures</li> <li>Speaker</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Resolving Conflict and Disruptive Behavior</li> <li>Health Law</li> <li>Science of High Reliability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Productivity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leveraging of strengths; period of greatest productivity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Personal growth, value added and business results</li> </ul>
Fulfillment	<ul> <li>Master Leader</li> <li>Retired</li> </ul>	• Consulting • Interim CEO	• Consulting	<ul> <li>Coaching &amp; Mentoring</li> <li>Metaleadership</li> </ul>	Contribution	<ul> <li>Mentoring, coaching, board memberships, giving back, leaving a legacy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contributions</li> <li>Wisdom</li> <li>Legacy</li> </ul>



What is healthcare performance improvement and critical areas to focus on

- Must consider Healthcare Quality in any discussion about Healthcare Performance Improvement
- Need to understand the history and definition of Healthcare Quality

## History of Healthcare Quality & Performance Improvement

 Institute of Medicine (IOM) Report on Quality, 1998 • To Err is Human, 2000 Crossing the Quality Chasm, 2001 - National Healthcare Quality Report, 2003 - National Priorities and Goals: Aligning our efforts to transform America's healthcare, 2008

## Definition of healthcare quality

World Health Organization (WHO): The extent to which healthcare services provided to individuals and patient populations improve desired outcomes Institute of Medicine (IOM):

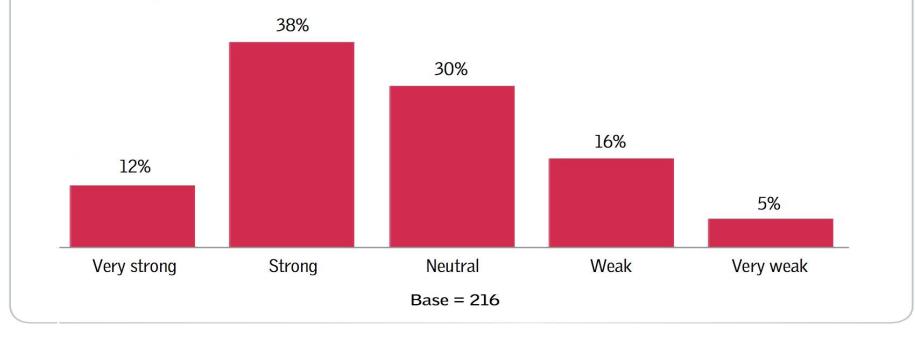
Quality is the degree to which health services for individuals and populations increase the likelihood of desired healthcare outcomes and are consistent with current professional medicine

**IOM** Six Domains – Safe - Effective - Timely - Efficient – Equitable - People-centered

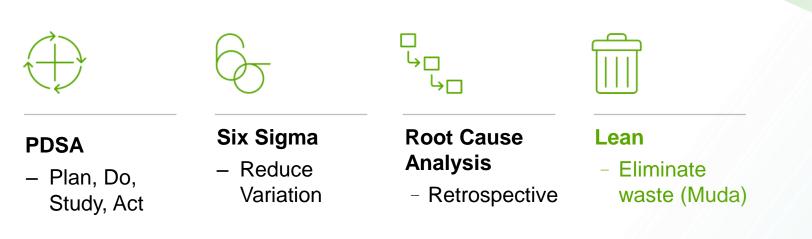
#### FIGURE 9: Approach to Operational Excellence



With respect to delivering value-based care, please assess the status of your organization's systemic approach to operational excellence (e.g., Lean, Six Sigma, etc.).



Performance improvement methodologies



Improve performance and quality --- Why engage physicians?

Performance improvement with a focus on "Quadruple Aim"

**Return the Joy to Work** 

Implement a management system creating standard work utilizing best practices



High-Opportunity & Return On Investment areas

- Emergency department (ED)
- Inpatient (IP)
- Operating room (OR)
- Supply chain
- Revenue cycle
- Medical Groups & Ambulatory Clinics
- Health Plans



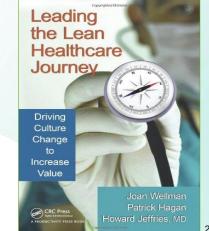
## Case Studies using a Management system approach incorporating Lean

Why Lean in Quality and Performance Improvement?

- Respect for people
- Continuous improvement
- Cultural transformation
- Sustainable
- Hierarchical alignment
- Front-line workforce involvement
- Data-driven
- Use of various tools to see and eliminate waste

## The Lean Prescription







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#### Remove Barriers – Reduce Frustration: Eight Wastes in Healthcare

#### **Overproduction**

Repeating tests because results are not available

#### 2 Transportation

Moving patients from room to room in an office or unit

#### **3** Defects

Rx errors, wound infections, inaccurate notes, broken equipment

#### Waiting

Is a full waiting room a good thing?

- **Overprocessing** Repeatedly filling out/signing forms, CPOE v. verbal orders
- 6 Motion (unnecessary) Going in and out of a room to get supplies or equipment

#### **Inventory**

Secret stashes of supplies because you might run out of what you need

#### 8 Unused human potential Clinicians entering data into the EHR

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### Lean tools

- A3 Thinking
- Visual management
- Value Streams
- Standard work
- Rapid Improvement Events

Source: Hino, S., Inside the Mind of Toyota, 2006

## True North & True North Metrics



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#### What is standard work?

#### Standard work: Work done in a specific way by every person, every time

The best known, least wasteful way that is current Continue this way until a better way is found Evidencebased; can be trusted Continuous improvement

Source: Hino, S., Inside the Mind of Toyota, 2006

### What is clinical standard work?

#### **Clinical standard work:**

Clinical care processes with standard work	Daily rounds, as one example	Daily plan of care	Standardized team
Team members with specific roles, including the patient & family	Plan of care will include use of clinical standard work pathways	Very useful in academic settings	Can have other different rounding teams daily

Source: Leading the Lean Healthcare Journey, Second Edition, 2017, Chapter 12

## **Case Study** Johnston Memorial Hospital

Part of Mountain States Health Alliance with 13 hospitals in four states Created Transformational Plan of Care (TPOC) at system level

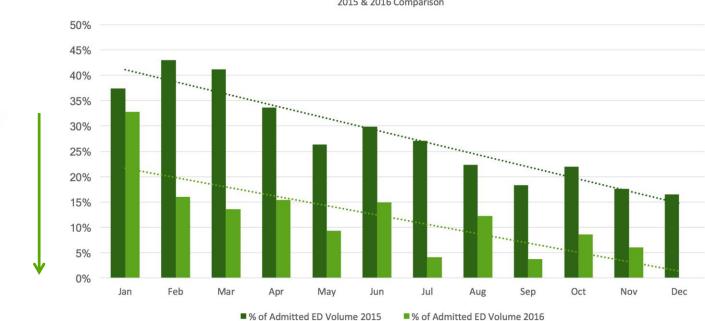
Created value streams for improvement

Conducted Rapid Improvement Events (RIE)

## **Case Study** Johnston Memorial Hospital

ED

**Bed Holds** 



% of ED Holds 2015 & 2016 Comparison

## **Case Study** Johnston Memorial Hospital

ED

Door to provider

from 37 minutes

to 15 minutes

#### 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 0 2014 2015 Feb Jan Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug

#### Rapid Patient Management Door to Provider

## ED

Fundamental work done:

- Multidisciplinary teams throughout the hospital
- Engaging physicians alignment of ED and hospitalist
- Rapid Improvement Events

# Key lesson: Interconnectedness of ED and inpatient units

#### IP

 $\downarrow 0.78$  days  $\downarrow 16.6$  hours  $\downarrow $623$ 

↓\$65

Average IP length of stay (LOS) reduced from 4.23 to 3.45 Days

Average observation LOS reduced from 37 hours to 20.4 hours

IP cost per stay decreased from \$3,973 to \$3,350

Observation cost per stay decreased from \$294 to \$229

Sepsis Care

<b>100%</b>	<b>1</b> to <b>97%</b>	↓ to <b>6.4%</b>	↓LOS
Screening for sepsis at triage increased from 0% to 100%	Order set utilization increased from 0% to 97%	Mortality rate decreased from 17% to 6.4%	

Savings of almost \$3,100 per case = \$1 million over study period

Joint replacement surgery

**↓6%** 

**↓\$400** 

Readmission rate reduced from 8% to 2% Cost per episode reduced from \$8,800 to \$8,400



### IP

Fundamental work done:

- Developed standard work on clinical units: team's best practice
- Daily huddles with multidisciplinary teams: work plans for the day
- Daily improvement boards(visual management): help identify gaps
- Engaging physicians

### Key lesson: Daily huddles, Daily Improvement boards





# Case Study Caldwell Memorial Hospital Supply Chain Management

#### Performance improvement

Working with Simpler Consulting, part of the IBM Watson Health business, used Lean to standardize overall supply chain process

# \$2.62M

Consolidation of supplies and elimination of excess inventory led to annualized **\$2.62M in savings** over 13 month initiative

# \$421K

Identified **\$421K that could be saved** in distribution costs 336K

Identified **\$366K from** reducing amount of time clinicians spent managing supplies

## Summary

With the complexities of healthcare today, it is critical to engage physicians as you navigate improving clinical and financial performance Identify, develop, and train key physician leaders Create a performance improvement strategy that is inclusive, uses good data, and sustainable



# Questions?

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