

# Advisory Panel on Improving Healthcare Systems

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# Welcome & Introductions

*Steven Clauser, PhD, MPA*

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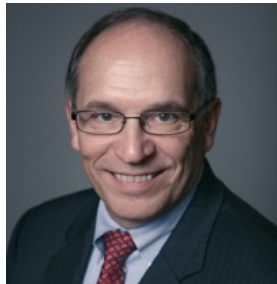
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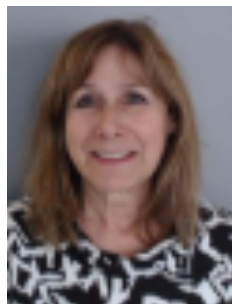
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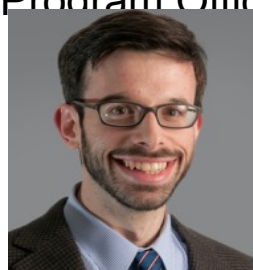
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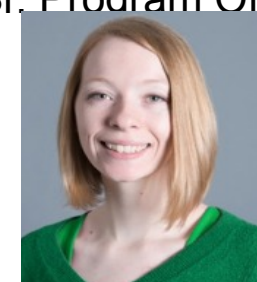
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# Today's Agenda & Meeting Objectives

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- IHS Program Updates and Discussion
- Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network Overview
- PCORI Dissemination Efforts
- IHS Program Strategy: Recap of Last Meeting Discussion and Overview of this Afternoon's Session
- IHS Program Strategy Graphic Development Session
- Recap of the Day and Next Steps



# IHS Program & PCORI Updates

*Steven Clauser, PhD, MPA*

*Director, Improving Healthcare Systems*

# Overview of PCORI and IHS

## PCORI's MISSION

PCORI helps people make informed health care decisions, and improves health care delivery and outcomes, by producing and promoting high integrity, evidence-based information that comes from **research guided by patients, caregivers and the broader health care community.**



Assessment of  
Prevention, Diagnosis,  
and Treatment Options



Improving  
Healthcare  
Systems



Communication &  
Dissemination  
Research



Addressing  
Disparities



Accelerating PCOR  
and Methodological  
Research

## IHS Goal Statement

The IHS Program seeks to support studies comparing effectiveness of alternate features of healthcare systems that will provide information of value to patients, their caregivers and clinicians, as well as to healthcare leaders, regarding which features of systems lead to better patient-centered outcomes.



# Improving Healthcare Systems (IHS) Program Summary

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- IHS supported studies aim to optimize the quality, patient-centered outcomes, and/or efficiency of patient care and that have the greatest potential for sustained impact and replication within and across healthcare systems.
- Healthcare Systems patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) compares healthcare system interventions that may include, but are not limited to:
  - Innovative Technologies
  - Personnel Structures
  - Organizational models and policies within and across healthcare systems
  - Patient and provider incentives
    - *only non-financial provider incentives are of interest*



# Improving Healthcare Systems (IHS) Program Summary

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- **Healthcare systems operate at multiple societal and organizational levels**
  - (e.g., individual patients, family and social supports, clinicians and care teams, organizations and/or practice settings, local community resources, and the state- and national-level policy environments)
- **Healthcare systems include entities that deliver, arrange, purchase, and/or coordinate healthcare services.**






# The IHS Portfolio Overview *(as of 3/14/16)*

- 73 Projects; ~\$277 million funding; 26 States including D.C.

Funding Mechanism	N of Projects	~Total Funding as of 3/14/16
Broad	65	\$147 million
Pragmatic	5	\$64 million
Targeted	3	\$59 million
Natural Experiments	3	\$7 million
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>\$277 million</b>

- (\$1.5M, 3 year) and large (\$5M, 5 year) investigator-initiated studies; 2 cycles per year; competitive LOIs
- AP**  **Priorities**
  - Pragmatic:** \$10M, 5 year head-to-head comparisons in large, representative study populations and settings; PCORI, IOM, and AHRQ CER priorities; 2 cycles per year
  - Targeted:** Largest and require greatest specificity; range from \$5M - \$30M; often collaborations with other organizations; ad hoc funding
  - Natural Experiments:** One time announcement (more information next slide)





# Newest Additions to the IHS Portfolio

- PCORI Board of Governors approved 1/26/2016:
  - 3 Natural Experiments Network Projects:
    1. “The Impact of Medicaid Health Homes on patient with diabetes” – What is the comparative effectiveness of the Medicaid Health Home (HH) program to treatment as usual in reducing unnecessary hospitalizations and other health disparities for Medicaid patients with diabetes? (\$2,250,000)
    2. “A Patient-Centered PaTH to Addressing Diabetes: Impact of State Health Policies on Diabetes Outcomes and Disparities” – What is the effectiveness of diabetes education and counseling in improving weight loss for adults either with or at high risk of type 2 diabetes? (\$2,249,522)
    3. “Natural Experiments of the Impact of Population-targeted Health Policies to Prevent Diabetes and its Complications” – What is the comparative effectiveness of non-face-to-face care coordination services versus treatment as usual on diabetes outcomes for adults with type 2 diabetes and at least one other chronic condition? (\$2,249,676)
- The Natural Experiments Network is a multi-center network intended to:
  - Test the comparative health impact of naturally occurring interventions
  - Improve the methods and research infrastructure for natural experiments for clinical comparative effectiveness in public health



# Other additions to the IHS Portfolio

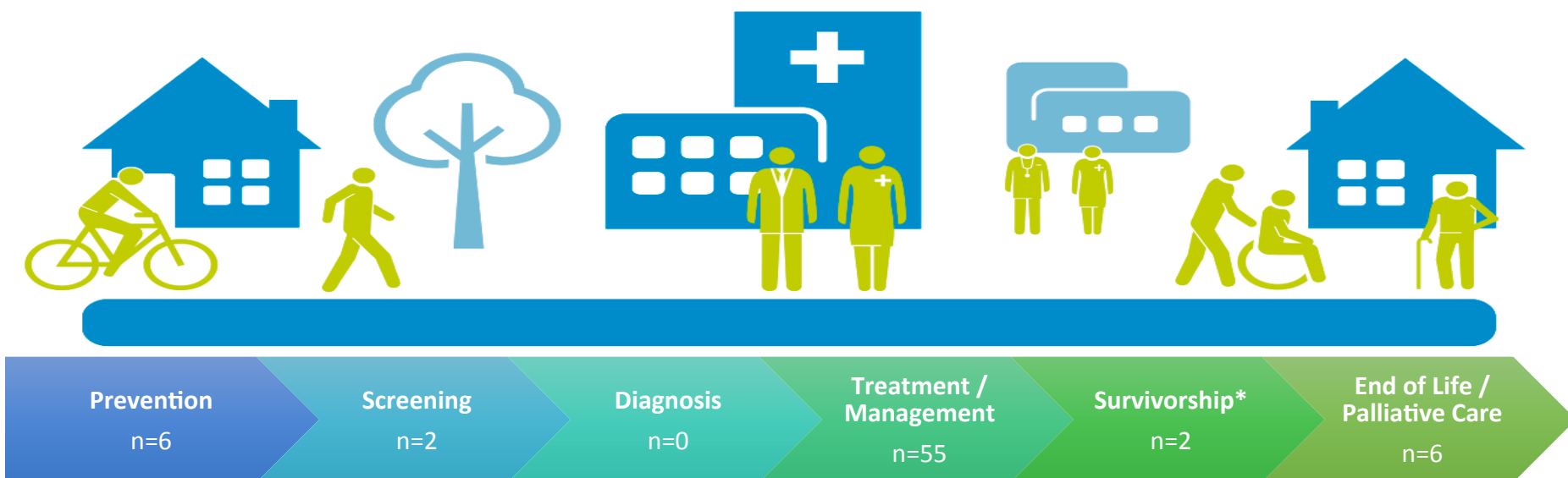
- PCORI Board of Governors also approved 1/26/2016:
  - One Large Pragmatic Study:
    - “Dissemination of Effective Smoking Cessation Treatment to Smokers with Serious Mental Illness” – What is the most effective strategy for increasing smoking cessation rates in smokers with serious mental illness (SMI)? (\$11,364,770)
  - One Large Broad Study (funded with revisions):
    - “Improving Self-Care Decisions of Medically Underserved African-Americans with Uncontrolled Diabetes: Effectiveness of Patient-Driven Text Messaging versus Health Coaching” – What is the relative effectiveness of a patient-driven text messaging intervention versus health coaching in improving self-care for medically-underserved African Americans with uncontrolled diabetes and multiple chronic conditions? (\$5,177,150)
- Summary of projects approved by BOG and added to the IHS portfolio:
  - 5 new projects (3 Natural Experiments, 1 pragmatic study, 1 large broad trial)
  - Total funding: \$23,291,118





# IHS Portfolio Overview – Cycle I through Spring 2015

## Number of Studies Across the Care Continuum (n=71)



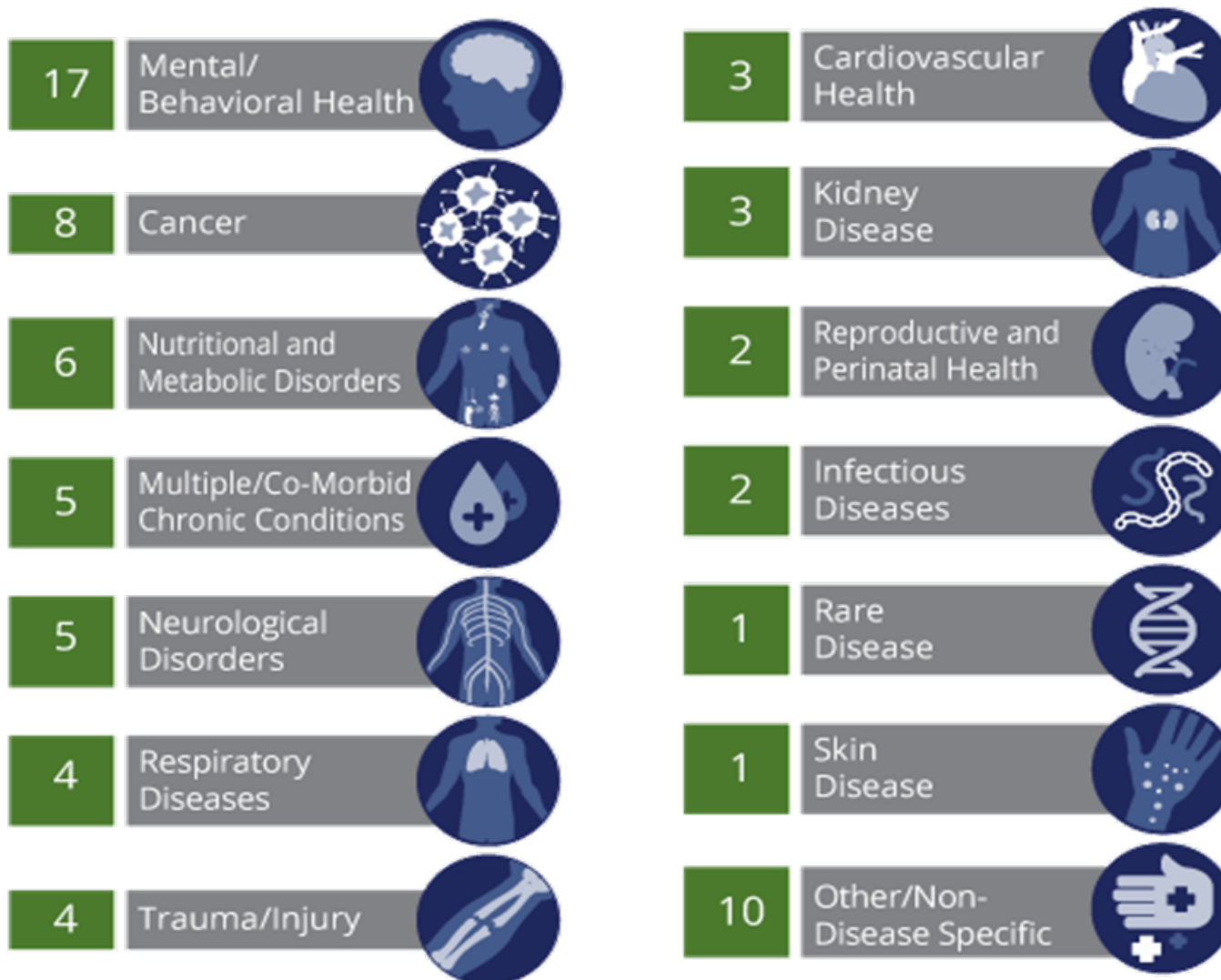
\*Unique to cancer studies

The IHS funded portfolio addresses multiple phases of the healthcare continuum, ranging from prevention, screening, and various phases of treatment, to survivorship and end of life.

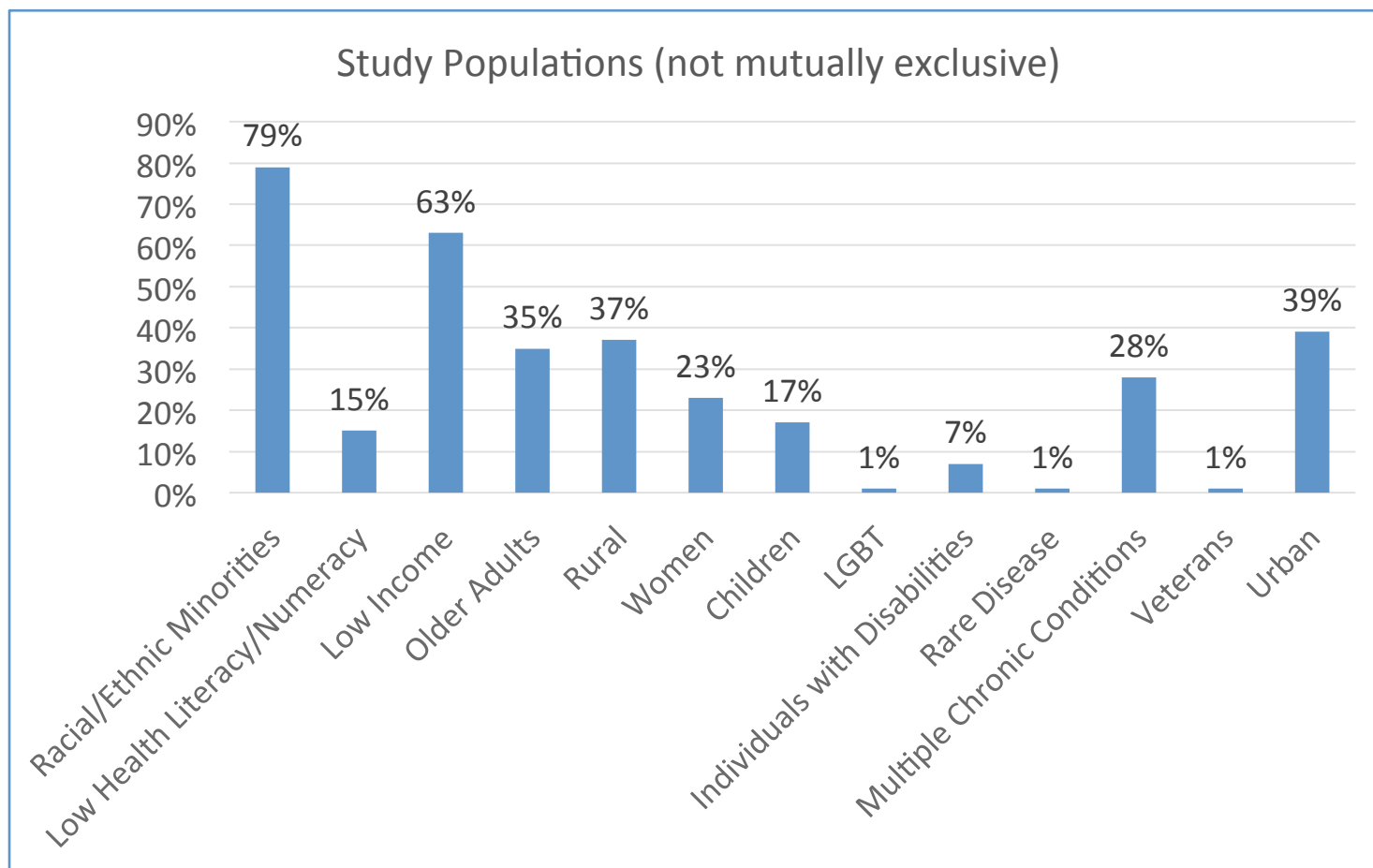


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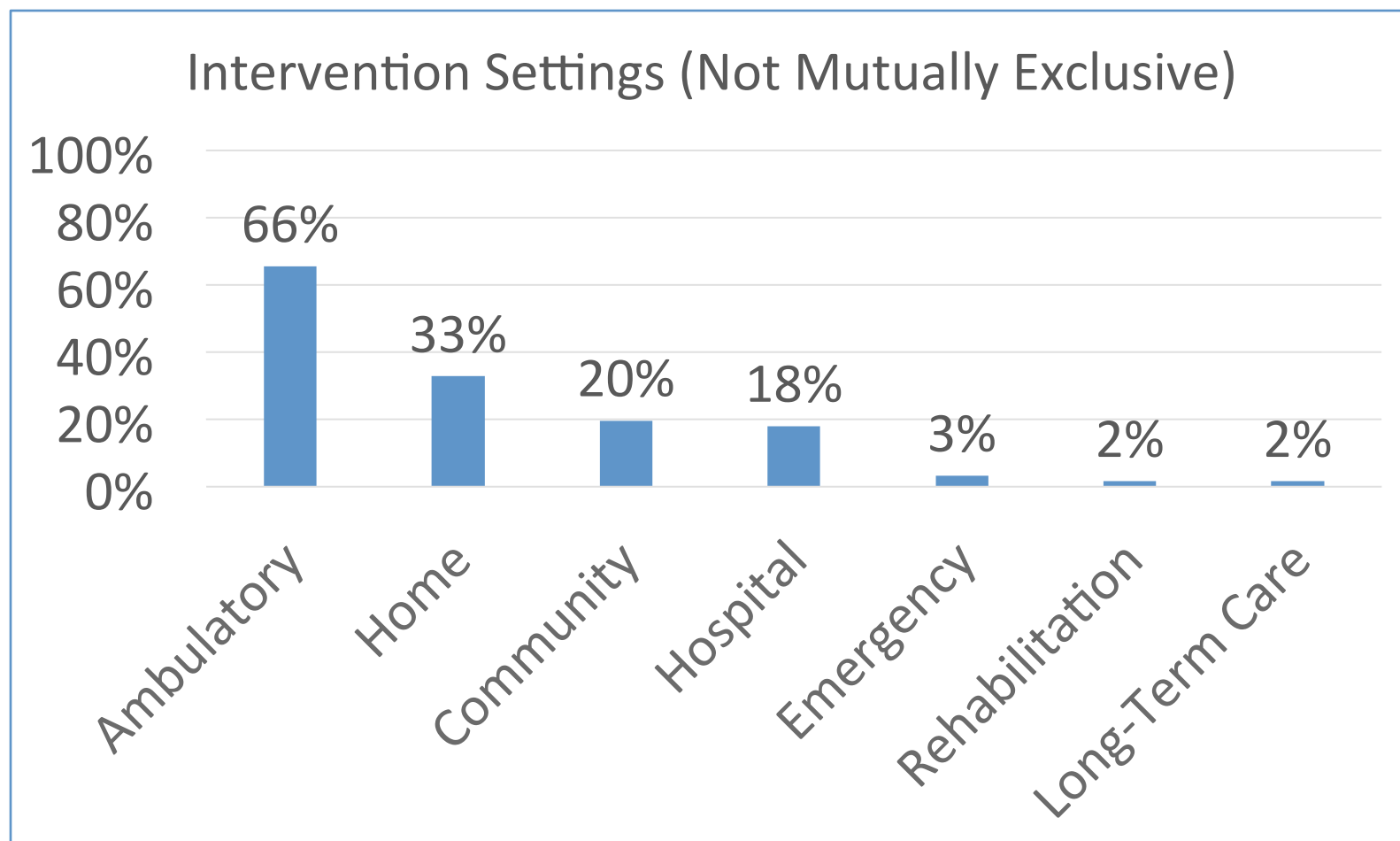
## Primary Diseases (n=71)



# IHS Portfolio Overview – Cycle I through Spring 2015



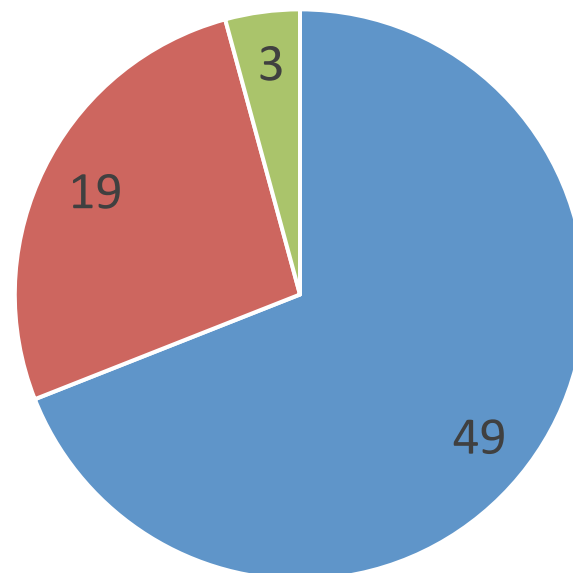
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## STUDY DESIGN

Study Design	# projects	\$
RCT	49	\$192,171,105
Observational	19	\$52,005,614
Secondary Data	3	\$5,344,388



■ RCT ■ Observational ■ Secondary Data Analysis





# The IHS Portfolio – Pragmatic Clinical Studies

## IHS has funded 4 studies in 3 cycles thus far:

1. **“Integrating Behavioral Health and Primary Care”** – PI: Benjamin Littenberg, MD at University of Vermont and State Agricultural College
2. **“Early Supported Discharge for Improving Functional Outcomes After Stroke”** – PI: Pamela Duncan, PhD, PT at Wake Forest University
3. **“A Pragmatic Trial to Improve Colony Stimulating Factor Use in Cancer”** – PI: Scott Ramsey, MD, PhD at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
4. **“Integrating Patient-Centered Exercise Coaching into Primary Care to Reduce Fragility Fracture”**  
– PI: Christopher Sciamanna, MD at Penn State U Hershey Medical Center

## Improving Healthcare Systems Priority Topics Included in Most Recent PFA

Topic	Date Prioritized
Integration of Mental Health and Primary Care	April 2013
Perinatal Care	April 2013
Discharge from the NICU	January 2015
Prevention of Dental Caries	January 2015
Chronic nonspecific, musculoskeletal pain	May 2014
Pharmacy Integration	January 2015
Suicide Prevention	January 2015
Rehab for Traumatic Brain Injuries	January 2015



# The IHS Portfolio – Targeted Funding

- IHS has funded 3 targeted studies thus far:

Funded Targeted Topics	Total Funding Allocated
STRIDE / Falls Injury Prevention (Administered by NIA)	\$30 million
Effectiveness of Transitional Care* (Project ACHIEVE)	\$15 million
Managing Anti-Viral Therapy for Hepatitis C infected persons who inject drugs	\$14 million

- IHS is also working to develop the following topics for potential targeted funding:

Targeted Topics Under Development	Total Funding Allocated
Multiple Sclerosis	\$10 million (IHS-specific question)
Palliative Care*	2016 expert workgroup
Long-Term Opioid use for Chronic Pain*	\$40 million total
Treatment-Resistant Depression	\$30 million total
Sickle Cell Disease	2016 expert workgroup



# Updates Regarding Prioritized Topics

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- Prevention and Treatment of Adolescents with Alcohol Abuse Issues (rank: 1)
  - Scheduling key informant interviews (beginning with NIAAA)
  - Intend to work with Addressing Disparities program
  - Approaching this topic from a broader alcohol and substance abuse perspective
- Interventions to Address Antimicrobial Drug Resistance (rank 4)
  - Great interest from AHRQ, potential partnership under development
  - Intend to reframe the research topic
- Improving Quality Life for Individuals with Dementia (rank: 2)
  - Evidence base not sufficiently developed; Potential to revisit in the future
- Discharge from Short-Term Skilled Nursing Facilities (rank: 3)
  - Significant investment in care transitions already underway, too hard to distinguish this topic.



# Questions and Discussion

# Transitional Care Evidence-to-Action Network (TC-E2AN)

January 27, 2016

IHS Advisory Panel Meeting

**Carly Parry, PhD, MSW**--Senior Program Officer, IHS

# Roadmap

- Purpose and Structure of the Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network
- Introducing the Studies
- Activities to Date
- Next Steps



# Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network (TC-E2AN)

- The TC-E2AN is organized around a strategic portfolio initiative (SPI) area: “Transitional care”
- Management resides in Improving Healthcare Systems
- Aligned with
  - Engagement
  - Evaluation and Analysis
  - Communications
  - Science



# Purpose of the Transitional Care E2AN

- **Facilitate engagement among awardees and cross-learning between projects** studying transitional care to leverage the significant investment made to date and strengthen the impact of the individual projects.
- **Promote collaboration among awardees to enhance their in-progress work** by sharing best practices, measures, tools, opportunities, etc.
- **Engage key stakeholders and end-users** to promote dissemination and implementation of findings.
- **Facilitate exchanges between awardees and key stakeholders / end users** to promote dissemination and implementation of research findings.



# The Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network Team

- **Network**
  - 15 Current Transitional Care Awardee Teams
  - 4 Newly Identified Projects
- **PCORI Staff**
  - Carly Parry & Lauren Azar (IHS)
  - Michelle Johnston-Fleece (Engagement)
- **Westat and Partners** (Russ Mardon, Project Director)
  - Ogilvy/Feinstein Kean Healthcare
  - IPFCC
  - AHIP

# PCORI's Existing Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network

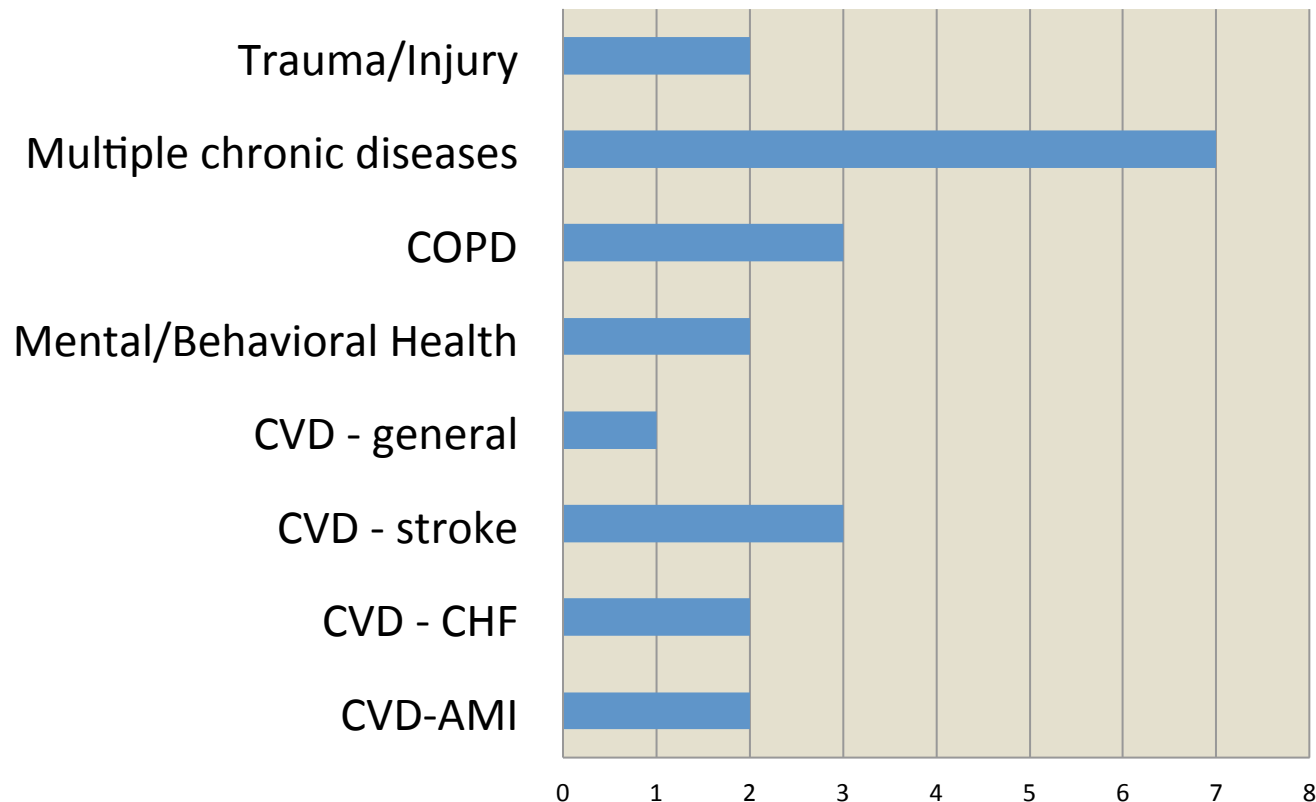
- PCORI has made a **\$52M** investment in **15 projects** in Transitional Care in 14 states
  - 1 Project (Williams **\$14.9M**) funded through an IHS topic-specific PFA
  - 1 Project (Duncan **\$14M**) funded as a Pragmatic Clinical Study
  - 13 Projects (**\$23.1M**) funded via the Broads mechanism
    - 2: Addressing Disparities
    - 1: Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment Options
    - 13: Improving Healthcare Systems

# PCORI's Existing Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network

## Project Characteristics

- 15 patient-centered CER studies
- 9 RCTs (patient level), 1 interrupted time series, 1 cluster randomized, 2 quasi experimental, 2 stepped wedge, 2 observational
- One study addresses children, one includes older adults, 13 are disease-focused and cover the age continuum
- Interventions are all multi-component and include rehabilitation, counseling, community health workers, peer support, care coordination, self-management, technology (patient portals), and clinician and patient education.
- 11 in Fee-for-service models vs. 4 in Integrated delivery models

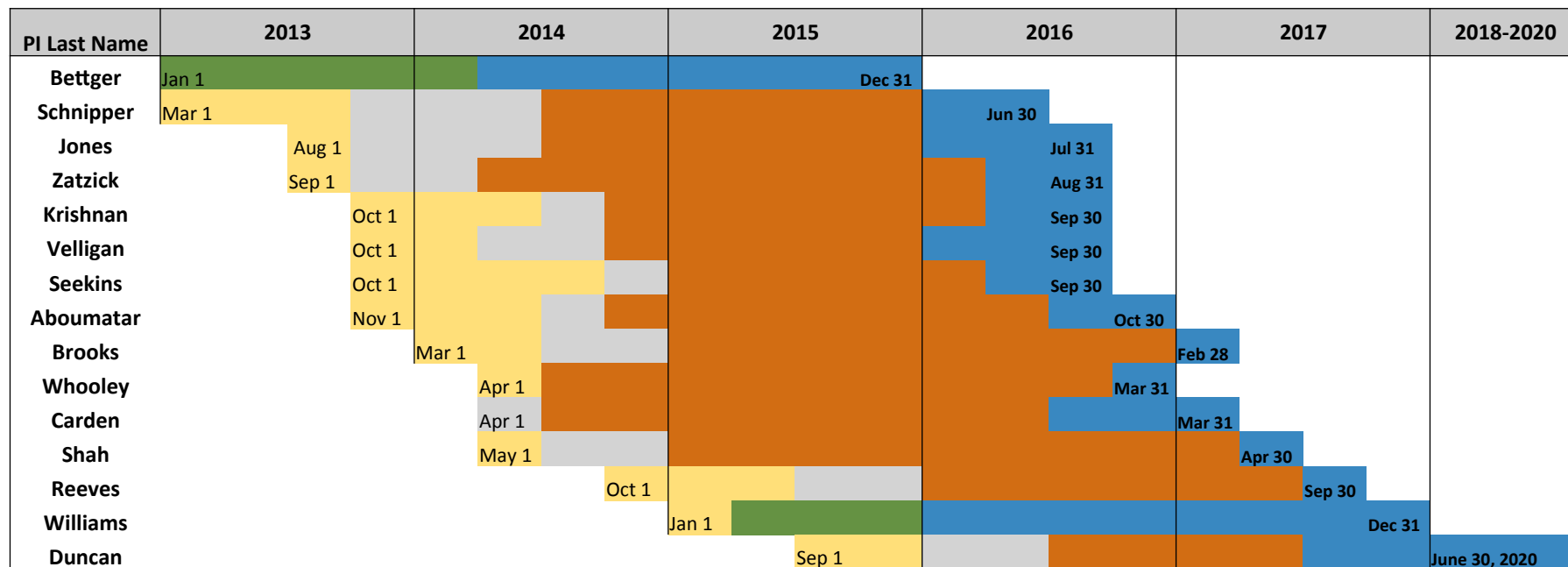
# Proportion of Awards by Disease Type (PCORI Disease Taxonomy, n=15)



# Collaboration across E2AN Studies: Natural Overlap

- At least **6** investigators and **7** organizations are involved in multiple studies.
  - Dr. Duncan is a co-investigator on the Bettger study; Dr. Bettger is an analytic partner & Executive Committee member on the Duncan study.
  - Dr. Lutz is a co-investigator on the Carden study & consultant on the Bettger project.
  - Drs. Williams and Krishnan are co-investigators on each other's studies.
  - The COPD Foundation collaborated on the Williams, Krishnan, and Aboumatar studies.

# Duration and Overlap of Studies



## LEGEND:

Data Preparation (non-interventional studies only)

Project Gear Up, Training & Intervention Design

Patient Enrollment/Piloting/Prepare Data Collection

Intervention and Data Collection

Analysis and Reporting Phase

# TC-E2AN Activities to Date

## Individual calls: 16 awardee teams

- Understand portfolio, create project summaries, articulate shared interests & challenges

## Webinar (9/9/2015)

- Develop group rapport and identity
- Elicit areas of shared interest using interactive polling technology
- Results guided agenda development for the in-person TC Summit

# Activities to Date, continued



## In-Person TC Summit (10/6/2015)

- In conjunction with PCORI Annual Meeting
- Refine goals of network, develop workgroups and objectives, identify 2016 focus topics and activities
- Board members Leah Hole-Marshall & Larry Becker in attendance
- Highly interactive format, using Fishbowl discussions and roundtable breakouts

## Presentation to PCORI Dissemination and Implementation Leadership (1/13/2016)

- Established ongoing collaboration between PCORI-wide and Network activities



# Activities to Date, continued



## Panel presentations

- 8th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination & Implementation (December 14-15, 2015; Washington, DC)
  - Title: Developing sustainable strategies for the implementation of patient-centered care across diverse US healthcare systems
- Accepted: Health Care Systems Research Network (HCSRN) Annual Meeting (April 14-16, 2016; Atlanta, GA)
  - Title: A Comparison of Patient-Centered Transitional Care Interventions in Integrated versus Fee For Service Systems: Findings from the Transitional Care Evidence to Action Network
  - Authors: Steven Clauser, Dawn Velligan, Jeffrey Schnipper, Pamela Duncan, Jerry Krishnan, Carly Parry
- IPFCC Annual Meeting Poster Abstract to be submitted

# Activities to date, continued

## Affinity Group Survey and Call (Nov. 2015)

- Conducted survey and call to identify needs, priorities and interests in TC-E2AN activities

## Affinity Group Kickoff Meetings (Dec. 2015)

- Affinity Groups:
  - Measurement Affinity Group
  - Knowledge Transfer Affinity Group\*
  - Sustainability Affinity Group\*

# Next Steps for Affinity Groups, continued

- Measurement Affinity Group
  - Develop/refine a conceptual framework or roadmap for TC measurement (frame the problem)
  - Identify and map TC measures to the conceptual framework and indicate which are validated, patient-centered, and useful
  - Identify gaps where further measure development is needed (e.g. validated screening tools, PROs; tailoring of measurement)

# Next Steps for Affinity Groups

- Knowledge Transfer Affinity Group
  - Develop and implement communication plan for transferring knowledge about evidence-based patient-centered transitional care interventions
    - Collaborate with key stakeholders
    - Engage key audiences by combining research evidence with patient stories

# Next Steps for Affinity Groups, continued

- Sustainability Affinity Group
  - Gather information from awardees on resource requirements for implementing TC programs in current settings, including funding sources and operational practices
  - Convene panel (fishbowl 2.0) of payers to obtain input on key messaging and strategies for demonstrating the value of TC services
  - Develop a “take-away” package and key messaging for target audiences on the value of TC programs and requirements for TC program sustainability

# Other Ongoing and Future Activities

- Developed and distributed:
  - A directory of projects to link investigators
  - An evaluation of all TC projects (Task A Executive Summary)
  - Will continually update and redistribute
- Meetings bringing together affinity groups AND full E2AN group
  - In-person meeting in conjunction with the PCORI Annual Meeting planned
- Ongoing collaboration with other PCORI E2AN staff leaders, E&A, communications, Engagement, CDR, etc.

# Questions for all of you

- What lessons have you learned from participating in other such learning networks that might be helpful to apply to our network?
- What other strategies for engaging key stakeholders, such as yourselves, might you recommend for the network?
- What other strategies might you recommend for leveraging this group, their work products, and the evidence their studies are producing?

# Questions?





# PCORI Dissemination Efforts

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**Jean R. Slutsky**

**Chief Engagement and Dissemination Officer and Program  
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# **IHS Program Strategy: Recap of Last Meeting Discussion and Overview of this Afternoon's Session**

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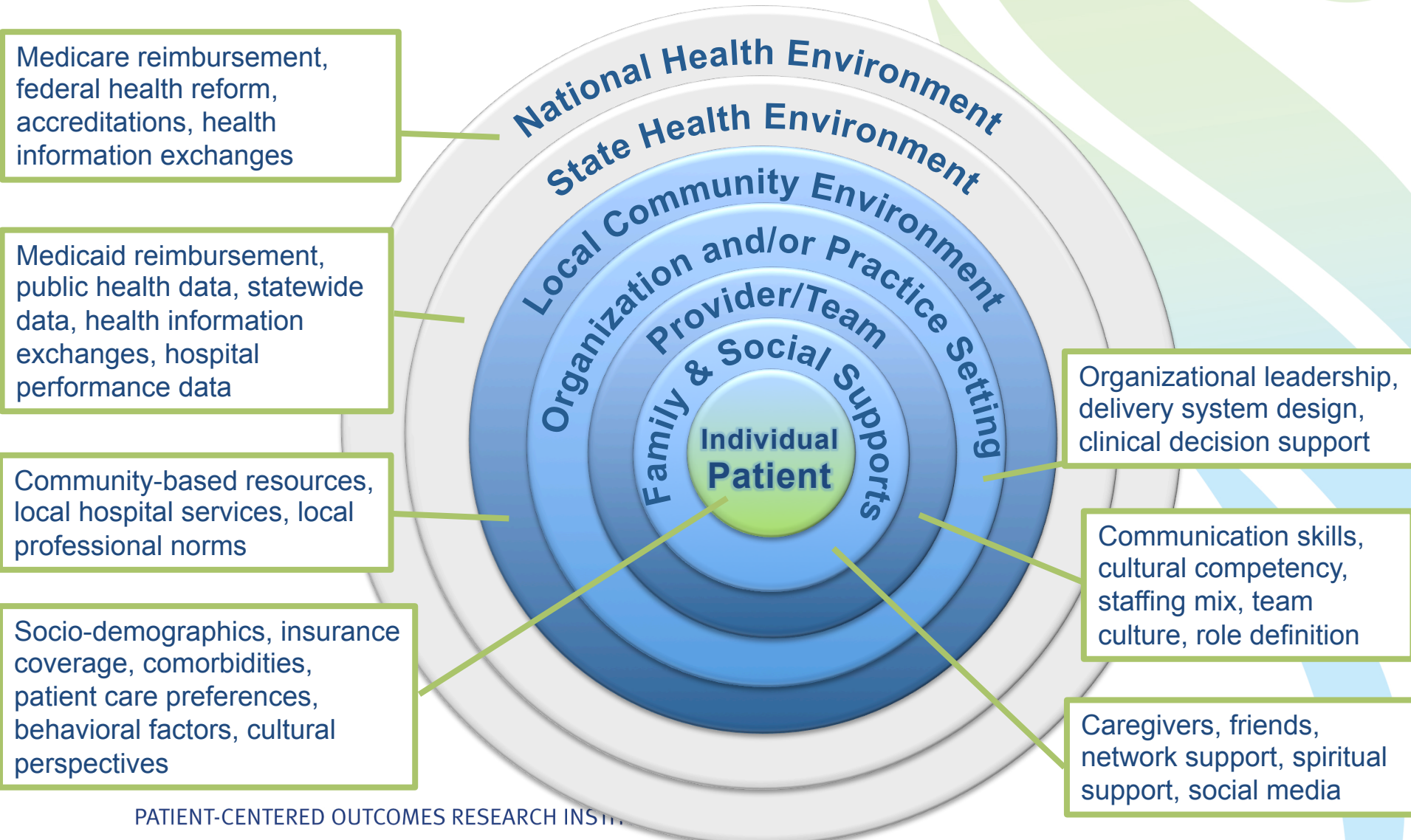
# Recap of Last Meeting Discussion

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- Discussed a recap of staff retreat to develop a five year vision focused on increasing the program:
  - Impact
  - Visibility
  - Support
- Agreed that we need to focus on the patient journey and the decisional dilemmas faced by patients, caregivers, clinicians and healthcare systems
- Goal is to address patient problems with system interventions
- Progress to date:
  - Portfolio Analysis
  - Development of preliminary communication graphics to be further developed and refined this afternoon

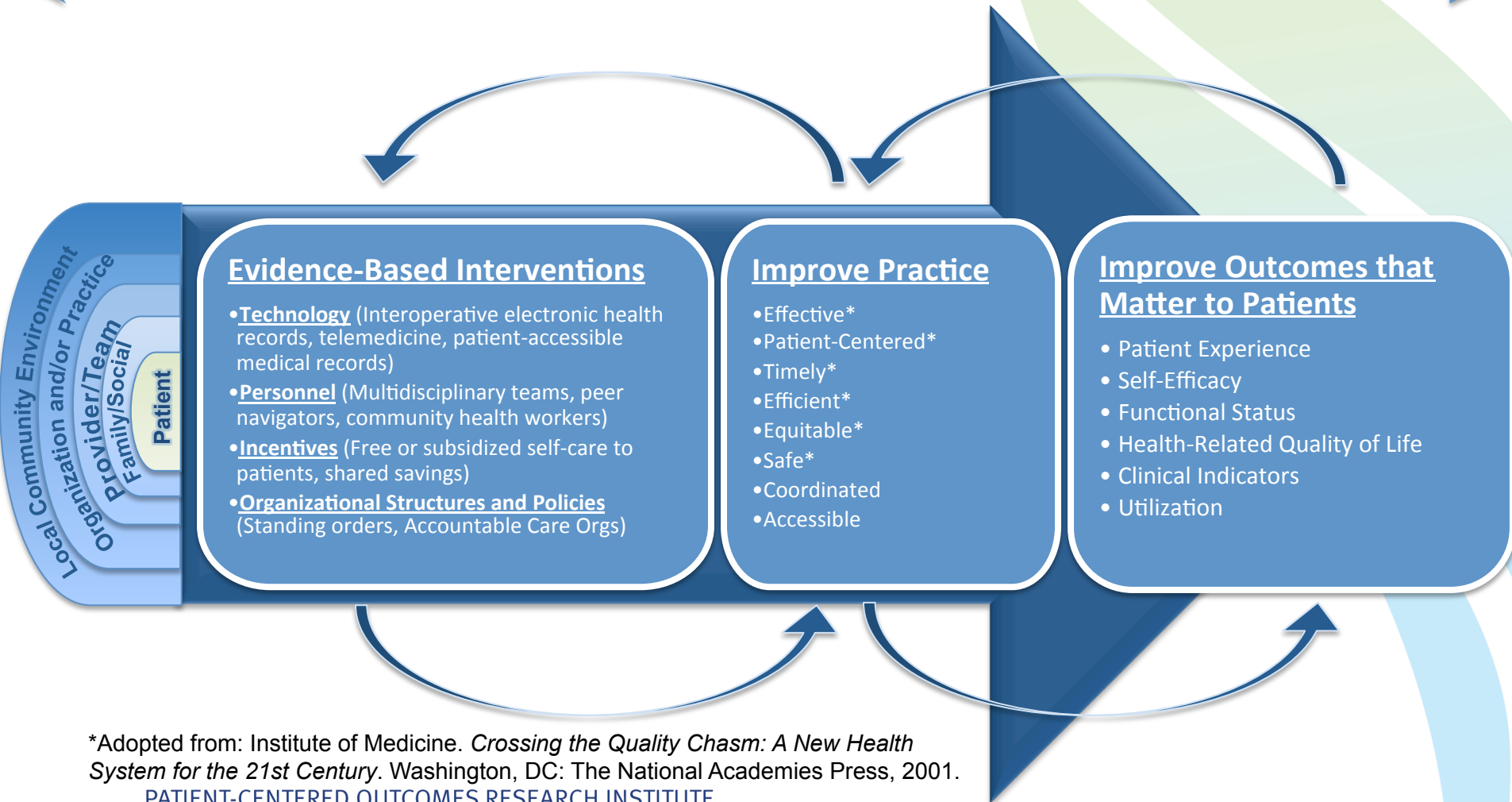
# The Healthcare System

Figure adapted from: Taplin, SH; Clauser, S., et al. (2012). Introduction: Understanding and Influencing Multilevel Factors across the Cancer Care Continuum. *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, 44, 2-10.



# IHS Strategic Framework

Patient and Stakeholder Engagement Throughout

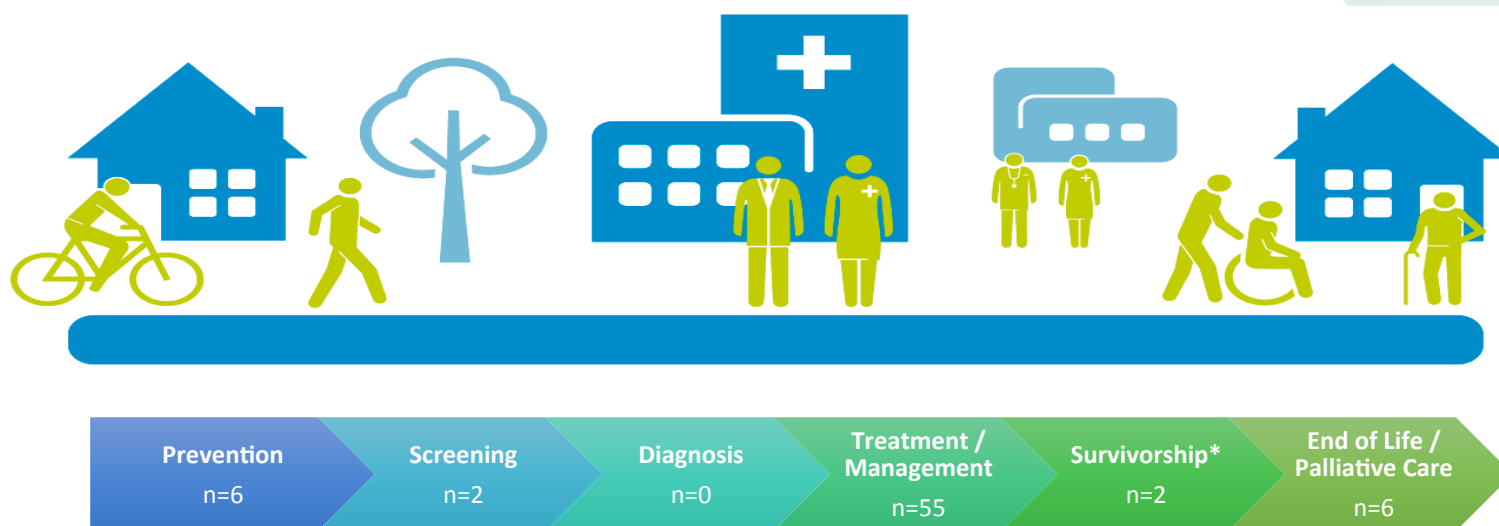


\*Adopted from: Institute of Medicine. *Crossing the Quality Chasm: A New Health System for the 21st Century*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, 2001.

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# Our Focus: The Patient Journey

- What's the patient problem? What's the healthcare system solution?
- The patient journey is the lens through which we evaluate the portfolio.



# Decision Dilemma

Care Continuum	Study Title and PI	Patient-Centered Problem Addressed by the Study	Specific Decision Dilemma Addressed by the Study	Intervention Level
<b>Treatment / Management</b>	<a href="#">Redesigning Ambulatory Care Delivery to Enhance Asthma Control in Children</a> (PI: Flory Nkoy, MD)	<p>I am a parent of a child with asthma. The pediatrician recommends self-management as a way to prevent asthma attacks, but sometimes I don't recognize the early signs of declining asthma control or an asthma attack in my child. My child also doesn't always tell me he is having an asthma attack because the signs are so subtle.</p> <p><b>How can the healthcare system help me, as a parent, manage my child's asthma so he has asthma control? How can the healthcare system help me, as a parent, recognize and act on the warning signs of declining asthma control?</b></p>	<p><b>Healthcare System's Decision Dilemma</b> Asthma control in children can reduce the risk of frequent hospitalizations/readmissions and subsequently asthma-related health care costs. Self-management interventions are recommended for improving asthma control and reducing the risk of asthma attacks, but children and parents lack critical tools to guide them in recognizing the early warning signs of declining asthma control and subsequently an asthma attack.</p> <p><b>Should we invest in an electronic application to promote and support asthma self-management? Will this electronic tool be more effective than the current care model at helping parents gain asthma control in their children?</b></p>	Family/Social Supports and Patient

# Decision Dilemma

Care Continuum	Study Title and PI	Patient-Centered Problem Addressed by the Study	Specific Decision Dilemma Addressed by the Study	Intervention Level
<b>Survivorship</b>	<a href="#">Simplifying Survivorship Care Planning: Comparing the Efficacy and Patient-Centeredness of Three Care Delivery Models</a> (PI: Katherine Smith, PhD)	<p>Now that I have completed my treatment for stage II colon cancer, I want to do everything I can to reduce my ongoing symptoms and side effects and make sure that my cancer does not come back. However, I am confused about which doctors I need to see, how often should I see them, and what tests and additional treatments I should receive?</p> <p><b>How can the healthcare system work with me to create and implement a plan for my post-treatment survivorship care that addresses all my important needs?</b></p>	<p><b>Healthcare System's Decision Dilemma</b>            The American College of Surgeon's Commission on Cancer (CoC) has mandated all CoC accredited cancer programs to provide their cancer patients with a survivorship care plan (SCP) in order to retain their accreditation. Developing these plans can be cumbersome and a SCP alone may not be enough to impact patient outcomes.</p> <p><b>We want to know, among different models of survivorship care planning, which is the most effective approach that we should implement in our cancer center that will optimize outcomes that matter most to the cancer survivors we serve?</b></p>	Healthcare Organization/ Practice Setting



# **Discuss Next Steps and This Afternoon's Session**

**Adjourn Open Session**

**Thank you for your participation!**



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# Recap of the Day and Next Steps

*4:45 – 5:00 p.m.*



# **Adjourn**

# **Thank you for your participation!**



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