What is next? Prognosis for Rural Health During Implementation of Health Reform

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Headed for the Future ...

- Access
- Cost
- Quality
- Healthy communities





Make it Happen

- Systemic change
- Facilitated locally
- Promoted regionally
- Supported nationally

Access: Coverage

- It's wonderful, It's marvelous
- But it may not be real: the field of dreams question
- We need at least all 33 million to make the assumptions work.
- Seek, find, enroll





Access: Sustaining an Infrastructure

- What infrastructure?
 - Facilities
 - Workforce
 - Community-based services
- First do no harm
- WAIT: ADJUST OUR THINKING



Access in a New Framework

- Using communication technology
- Optimal use of all persons in the workforce (patient navigators, extension model)
- To <u>all</u> services including public health, healthy communities



Cost: Bending the Curve with Payment Policy

- Unsustainable trends by definition will not be sustained
- Efforts of expanded coverage: good news, bad news, good news?
- Using policy levers that can be scored: payment to providers

Cost: Bending the Curve with System Change

- Show me the way!
- Integrated care saves money?
- Care management saves money?
- If savings are from different patterns and levels of use, can the system "right size?"

Cost: Healthier Communities

- School environment
- Worksite wellness
- Individualized wellness

Continued



- Reducing disparities
- Active living and nutritious foods
- Healthy aging benefits targeting 55-64 years of age



Cost: Consequences of success, consequences of failure

- Success and what it means to providers
- Success and what it means to access
- Failure and what it means to payers
- Failure and what it means to access



Quality: How We Think of this

- A value-based approach
- A results orientation
- Individual state of well-being
- Population health plan and community

Quality: Moving the Payment System

- Hospital value-based purchasing program, including a demonstration program for CAHs
- Physician quality reporting system
- VBP program for SNFs and home health agencies
- VBP modifier under physician fee schedule

Improving the System

- Quality measure development
 - Outcomes and function status
 - Management and coordination across episodes and care transitions
 - Patient-centeredness



Quality for the Future

- CMS Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation
- Accountable Care Organizations



And the Future's Now

- Transformation change
- At a very fast pace
- Ideas and discussions to action and assessment





Thank you!

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