

Population Management

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Provider Facilities

- **Geisinger Medical Center**
 - **Danville** – includes Hospital for Advanced Medicine, Janet Weis Children’s Hospital, Women’s Health Pavilion, Level I Trauma Center, Ambulatory Surgery Center
 - **Geisinger Shamokin Community Hospital**
- **Geisinger Northeast**
 - **Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center** includes Heart Hospital, Henry Cancer Center, and Level II Trauma Center
 - **Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre** includes Adult and Pediatric Urgent Care, Ambulatory Surgery Center, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Pain Management, and Sleep Center.
 - **Geisinger Community Medical Center**
- **Geisinger-Bloomsburg Hospital**
- **Marworth Alcohol & Chemical Dependency Treatment Center**
 - Mountain View Care Center
 - Bloomsburg Health Care Center
 - > 77K admissions/OBS & SORUs
 - 1,619 licensed inpatient beds

Physician Practice Group

- Multispecialty group
- ~950 physician FTEs
- ~560 advanced practitioners FTEs
- 71 primary & specialty clinic sites (41 community practice sites)
- 1 outpatient surgery center
- ~ 2.3 million clinic outpatient visits
- ~380 resident & fellow FTEs

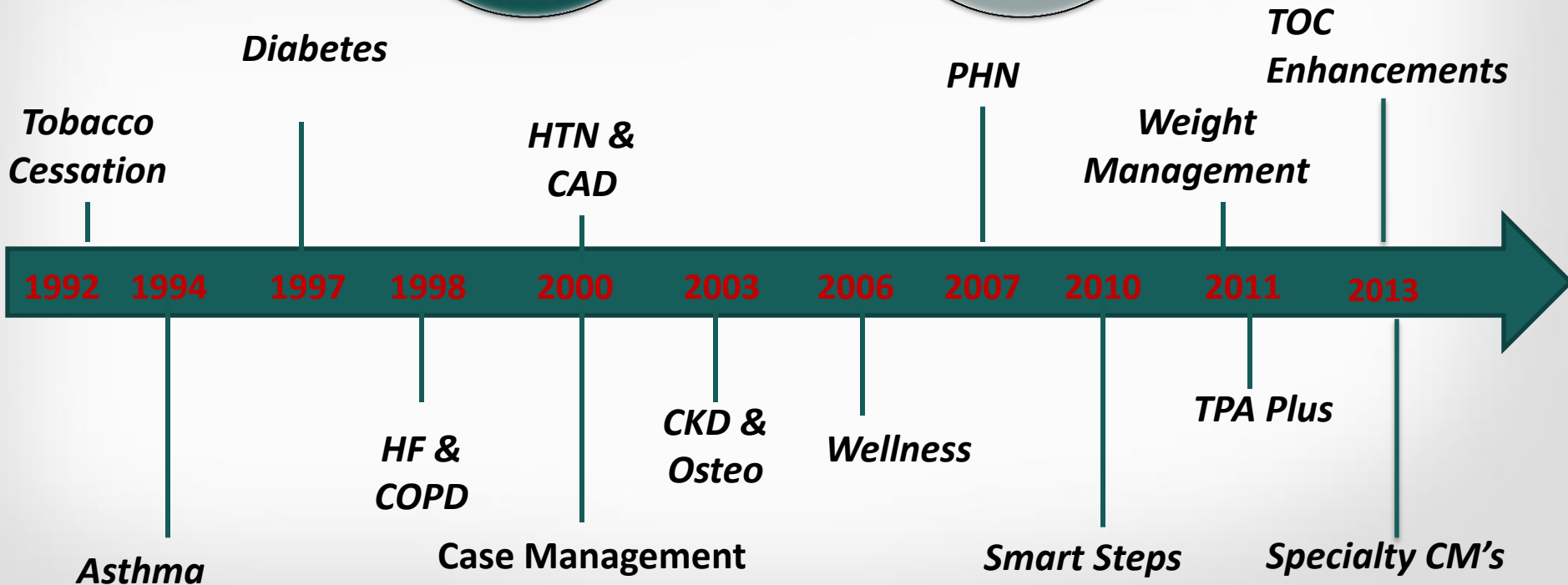
Managed Care Companies

- ~410,000 members
 - ~68,000 Medicare Advantage
 - 110,000 Medicaid Managed Care Contractor
- Diversified products
- ~34,000 contracted providers/facilities
- 44 PA counties
- Out of state expansion
 - Eastern Maine HS
 - West Virginia Univ.
 - Meridian HS, NJ
 - Christiana, DE

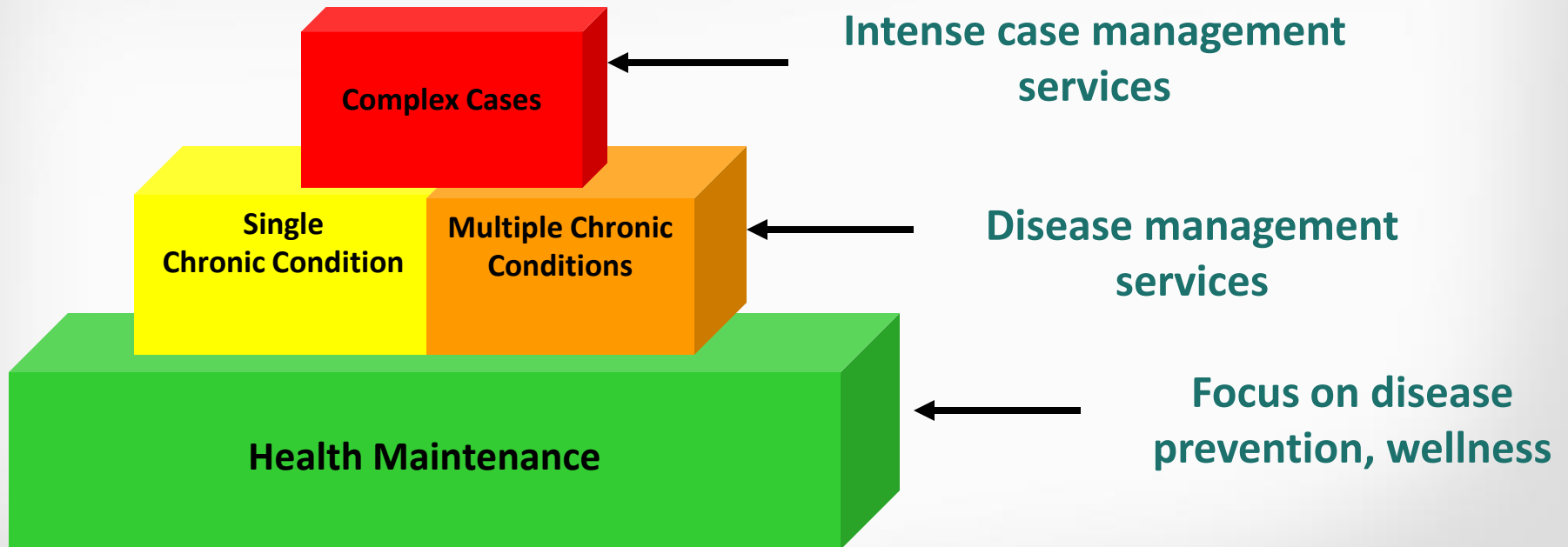
System

- 20,000 employees
- 2.6 million ambulatory visits
- 535,000 unique patients
- \$337 million community benefit

Evolution of Population Management at GHP



Risk Models analyze historical claims experience to divide population into four categories:



POPULATION MANAGEMENT APPROACH

Behavioral Health

PHN
Health Care Team,
Patient, Provider, HP

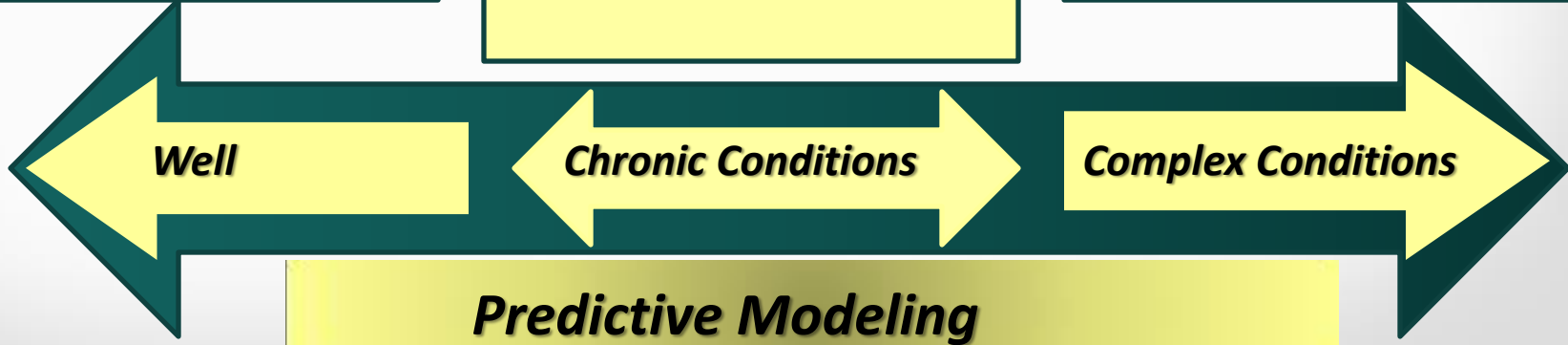
Pharmacy,
HH, NH

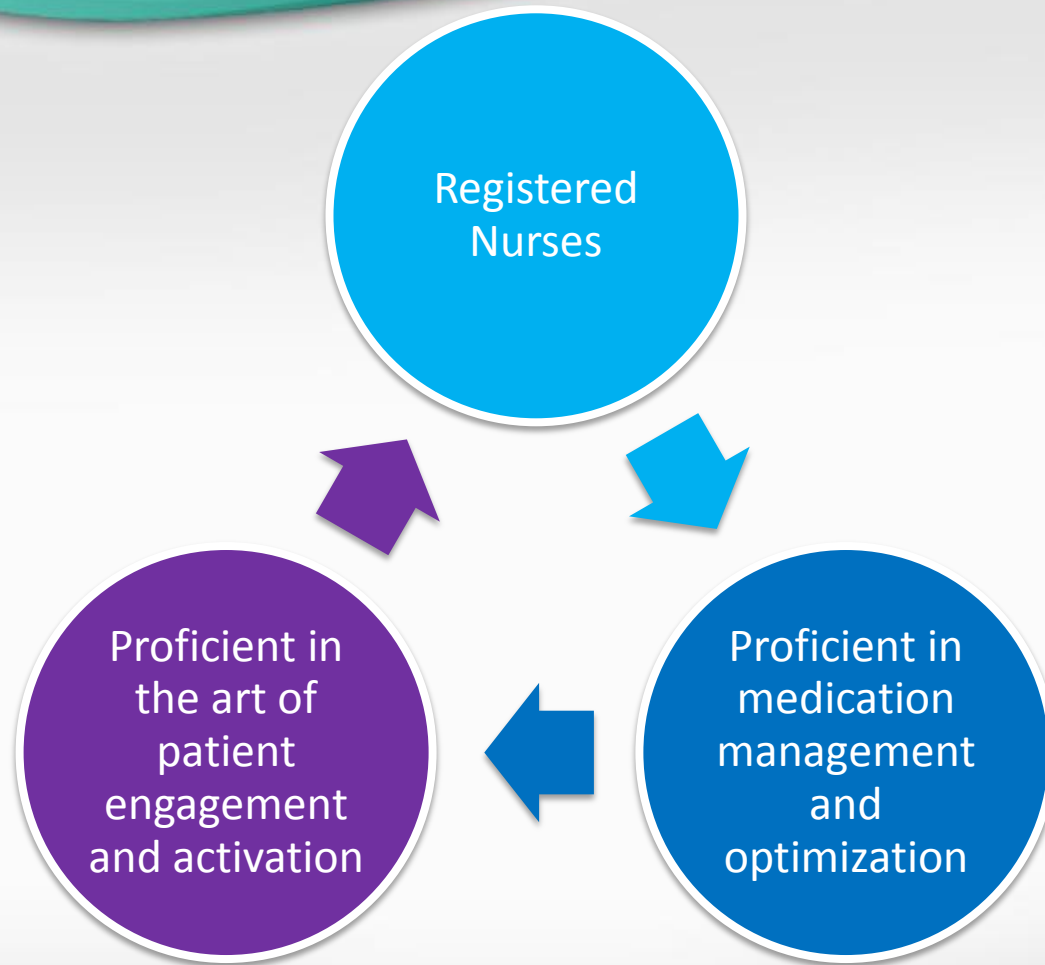
Hosp, ED,
Specialist

Primary Prevention
Prev Screenings
Immunizations
Mailers
Newsletters
Health Alerts
Health Fairs
Web Based Tools

Disease Management
Self Management Educ
Condition Screenings
Symptom Monitoring
Medication Management
"Move to Control"
HTN, DM, Asthma, CAD, Osteo,
Tobacco, Wt Management

Case Management
Care Coordination
Comm Resources
SMAP
EOL/Life Planning
TOC
Telemonitoring
HF, COPD, ESRD, Frail Elderly





Case Management

**Identifying and Managing the
Highest Risk in Your Population**

High risk identification

- Predictive modeling
- EHR data
- Medical claims
- Pharmacy data
- HRA data

Targeted populations

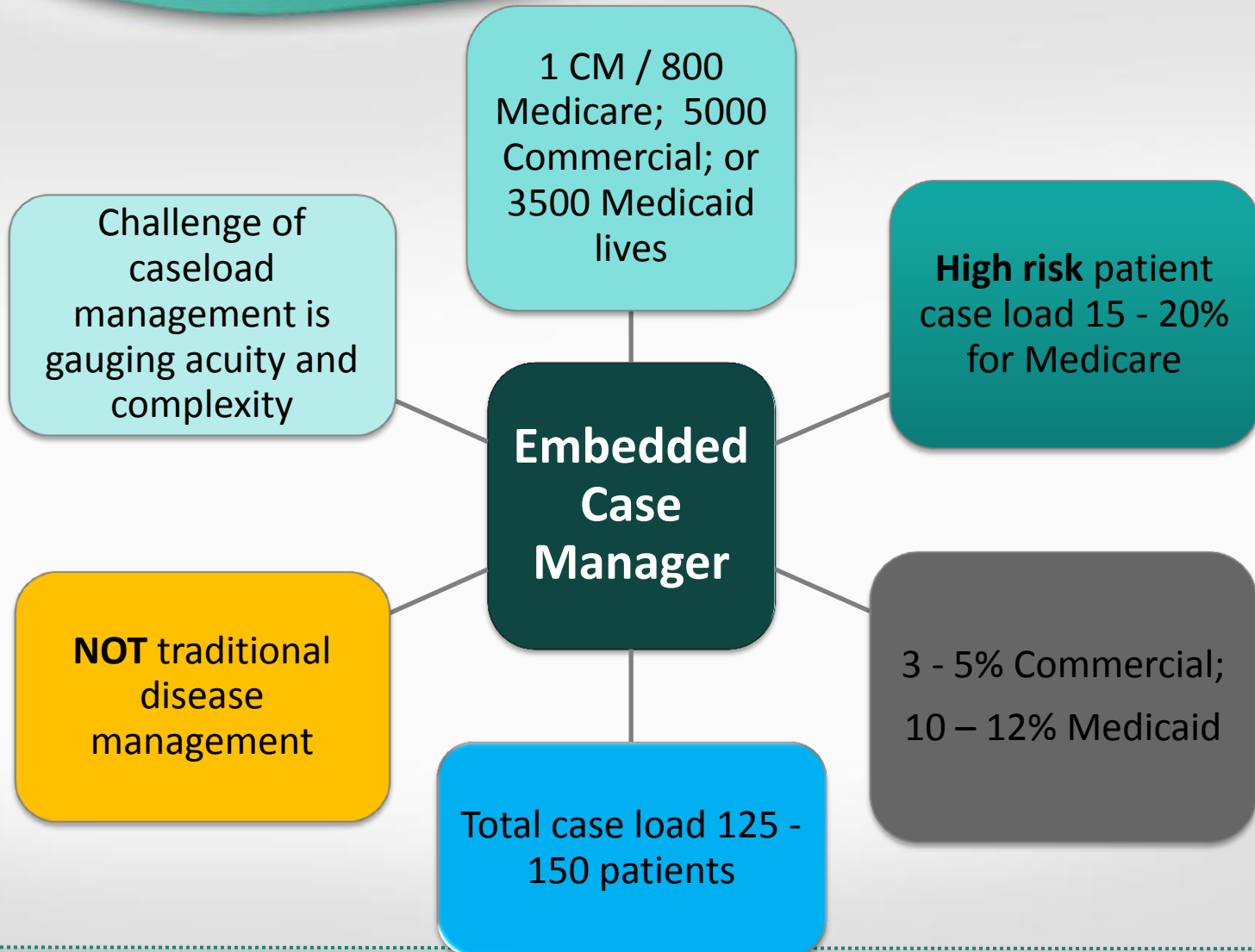
- HF, COPD, oncology,
- Multiple trauma
- ESRD, frail elderly
- TOC

Comprehensive assessment

- Physical and psychosocial gaps
- Readiness to change
- Family/social supports
- Driving issue behind case
- Frequent follow-up with patient/family

Team Care

- Daily interaction with provider
- Active team member
- Patient sees CM in practice
- Top of the license



Predictive Modeling – Sample Report

Forecasted Risk Index	AIS	CIS	Risk Rank	Sex	Age	Total Paid	Forecasted Cost	Primary ETG Group	Program Status
4.1	91	35	5	M	82	\$42,187.00	\$44,456.00	Cerebrovascular Accident	MHOpen
4	80	37	5	M	68	\$46,972.00	\$43,405.00	Cardiovascular Surgery	MH CL - Need met
6.21	100	28	5	M	67	\$137,724.00	\$67,387.00	Infectious Disease	MHIdentified
3.19	93	25	5	F	75	\$70,344.00	\$34,563.00	Degenerative Ortho disease	MHCL- Needs meet
4.53	94	60	5	M	81	\$49,157.00	\$49,173.00	Cerebrovascular Accident	
10.2	97	51	5	F	71	\$133,870.00	\$110,630.00	Renal Failure, Chronic & Nephrosis	MHOpen
5.59	90	62	5	M	81	\$25,981.00	\$60,613.00	Renal Failure, Chronic & Nephrosis	MHIdentified
8.87	95	50	5	F	79	\$113,895.00	\$96,235.00	Renal Failure, Chronic & Nephrosis	MHCL- CC

Transitions of care

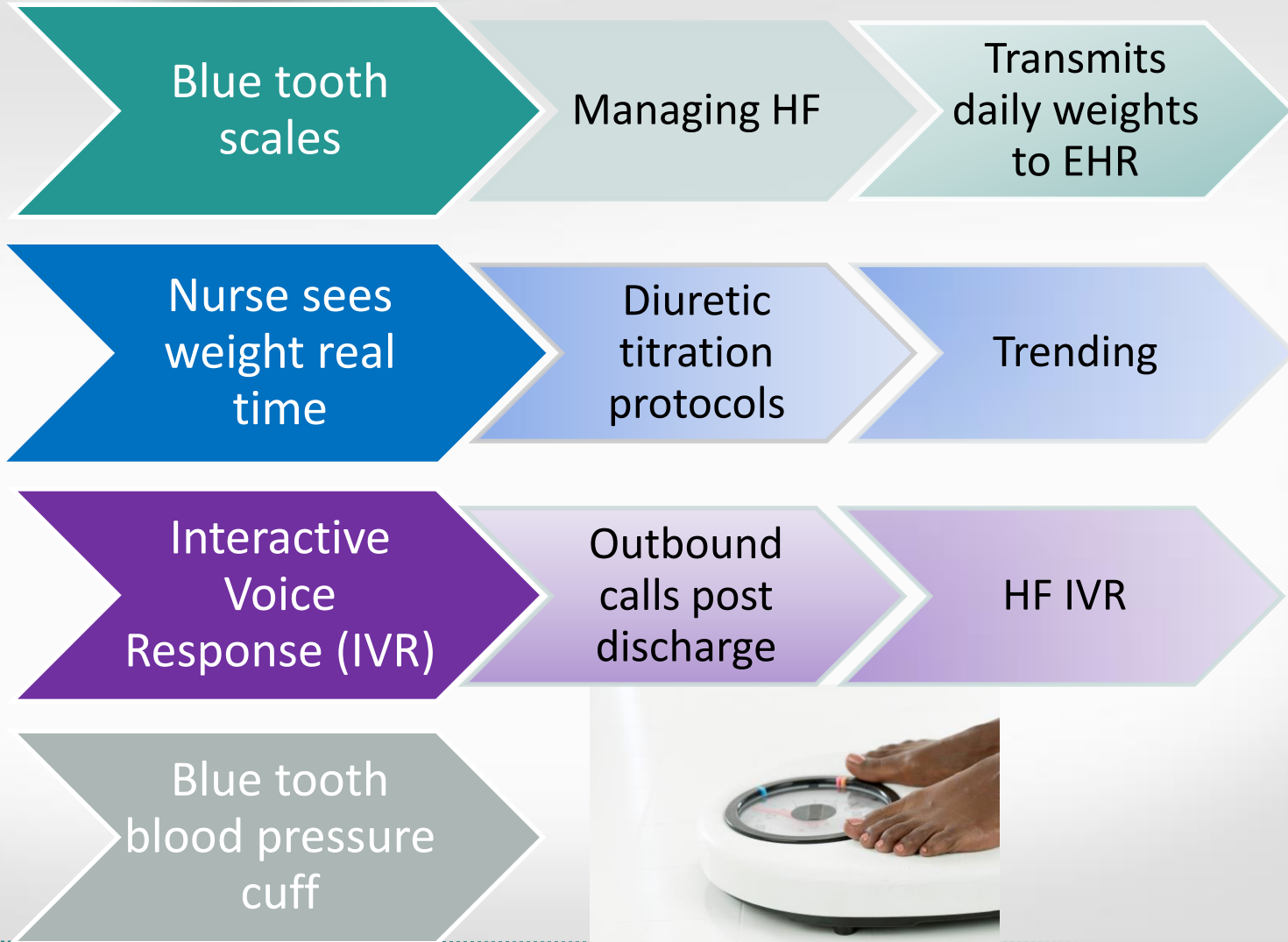
Self management

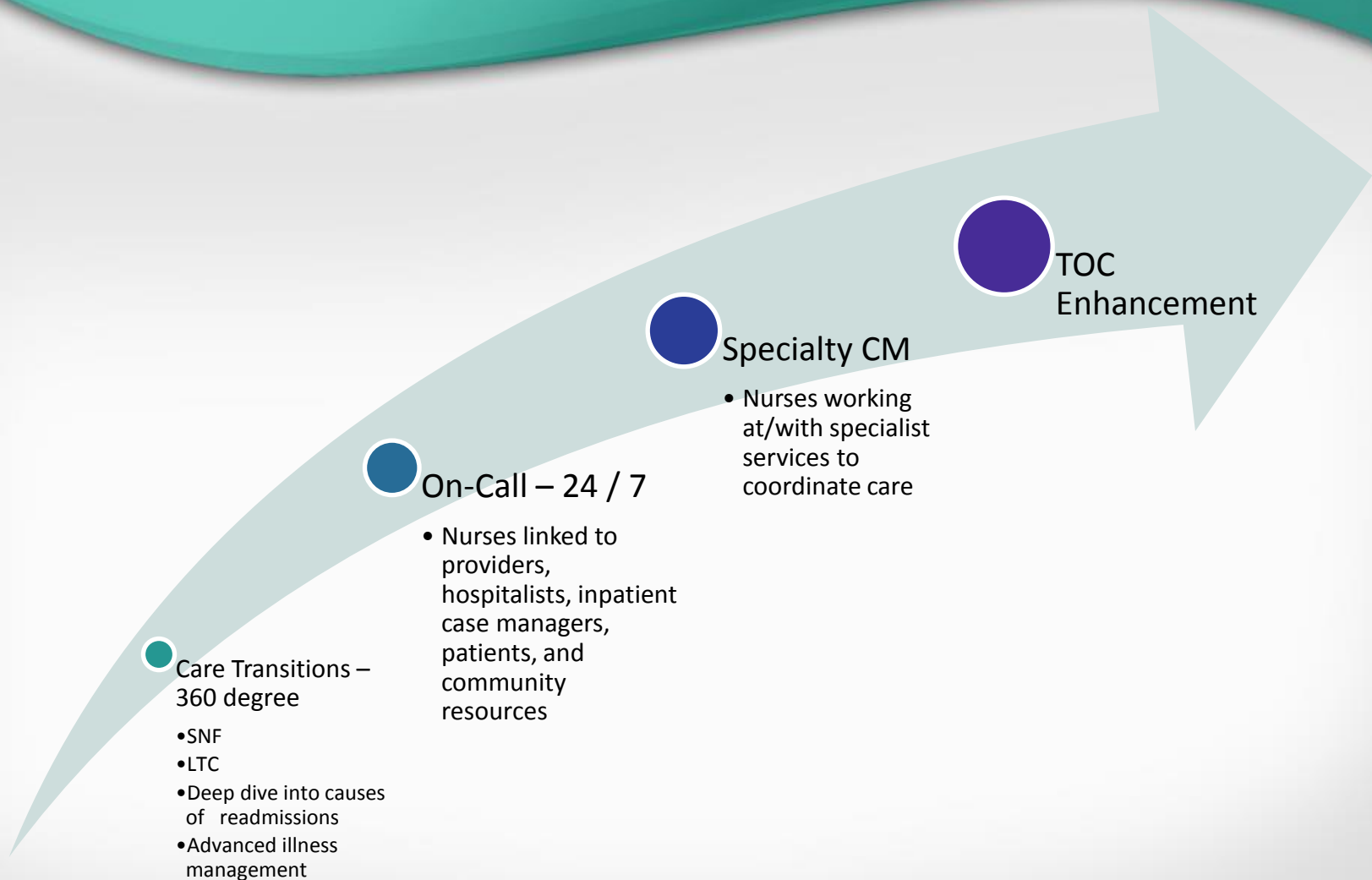
Chronic Care

Telephonic and/or device
monitoring

Exacerbation management

Frequent follow up

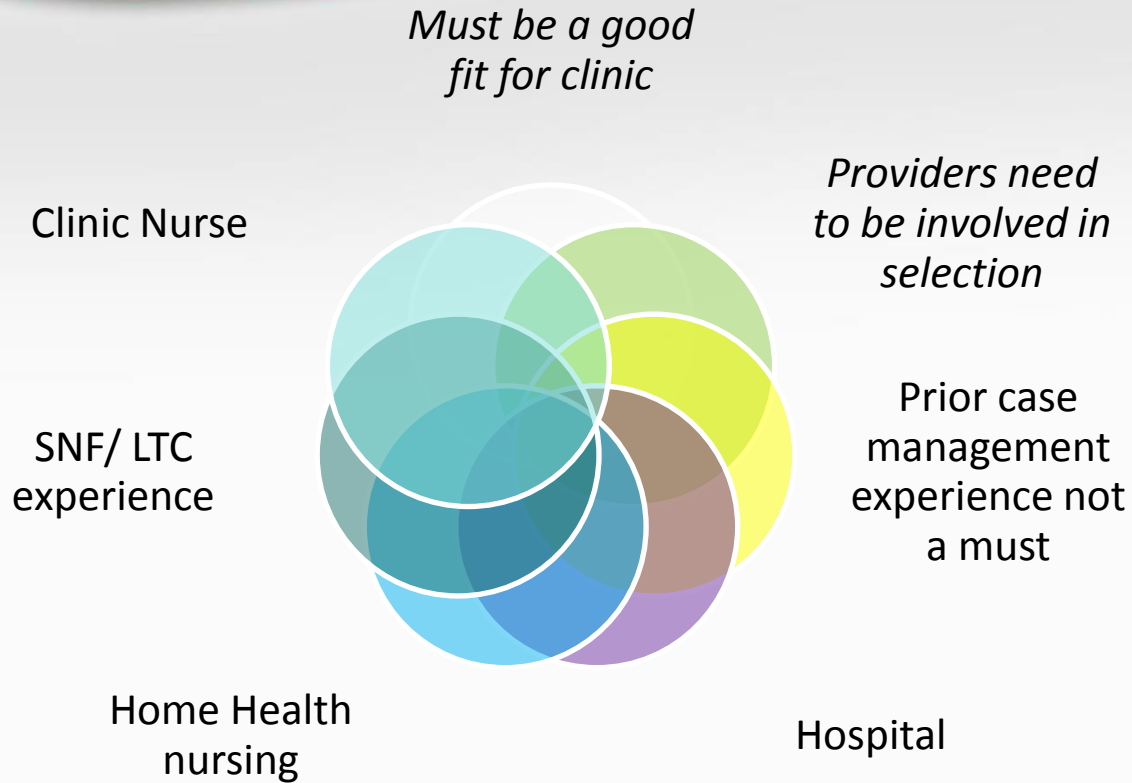




Case Management

Finding the Right Person for the Role

Choosing the Right Case Manager



*Often don't find a case manager – rather you help
create a case manager*

Strong communication skills to include the ability to:

Problem solve

Think critically

Engage patient

Activate conversation

Negotiate and resolve conflict

Must be able to think out of the box

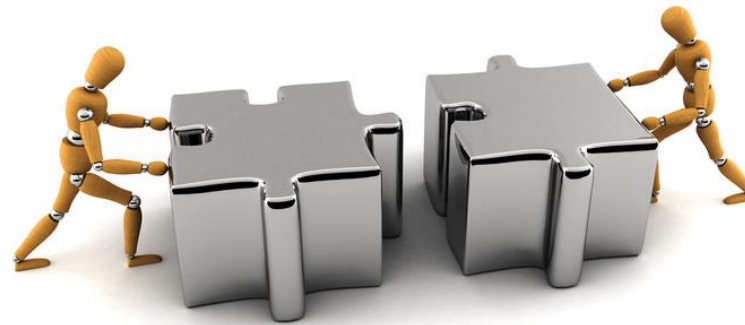


Interpret clinical
information and assess
implication of treatment

Develop and implement
Plan of Care

Determine appropriate
level of care

- PCP office
- Hospital
- Assisted Living /SNF/ LTC
- Palliative Care, Hospice



Dedicated staff needed to drive outcomes

- Manager
- Trainer

Resources to support development

Dedicated clinic space

Dedicated phone line

Administrative support



Training for Success

Approaches to CM Training

Time Frame 6-8 Weeks

Learn basic
CM/DM role;
begin to
understand
CM/DM
functions

Build
relationships
with clinic and
staff

Gain
knowledge
regarding
community
resources &
facilities

Understand
health plan
activities &
benefits

Comprehend
IT tools
necessary to
perform job
role

Monthly 1:1 time with each staff

- Reviewing cases/documentation
- Evaluating CM's understanding of the driving force of cases
- Provider/staff interaction
- Troubleshooting

Productivity and caseload management

- Nurse visit summary sheets
- Areas of opportunity – Readmissions trending up - Why?
- Gaps in role
- Patient engagement and ongoing follow-up

Four CE days per
year

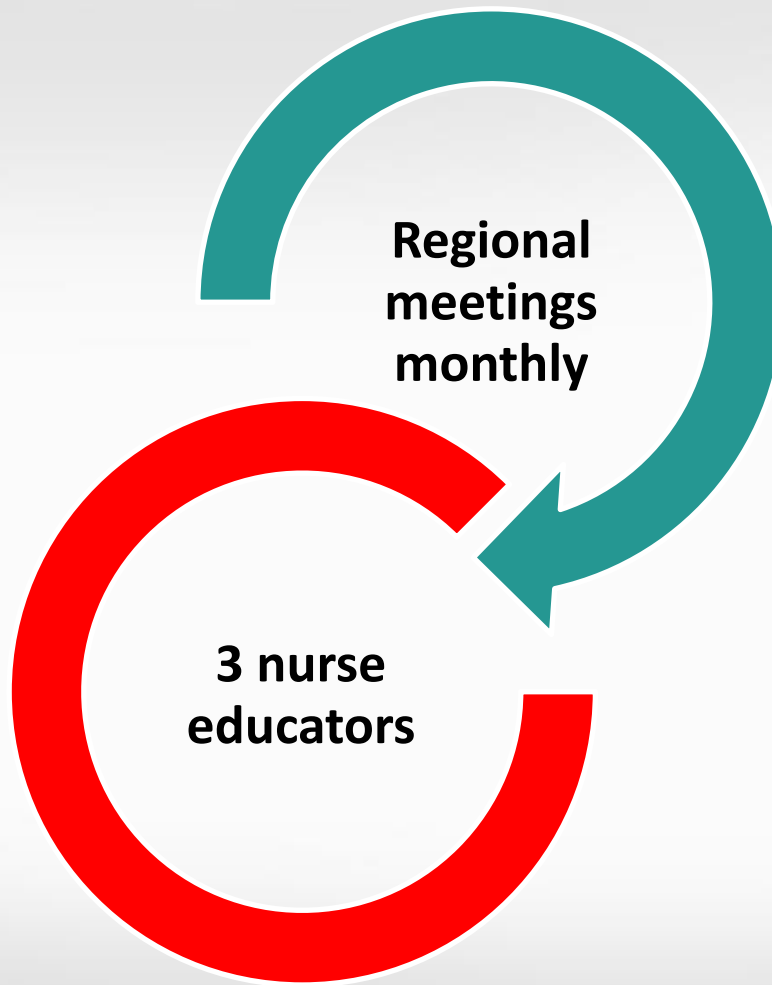
- All staff come on site for training
- CE and CCM credits
- Outside speakers
- Topics relevant to disease and case management

Learning packets

- Current articles pertinent to chronic condition
- Medications

Outside CE programs

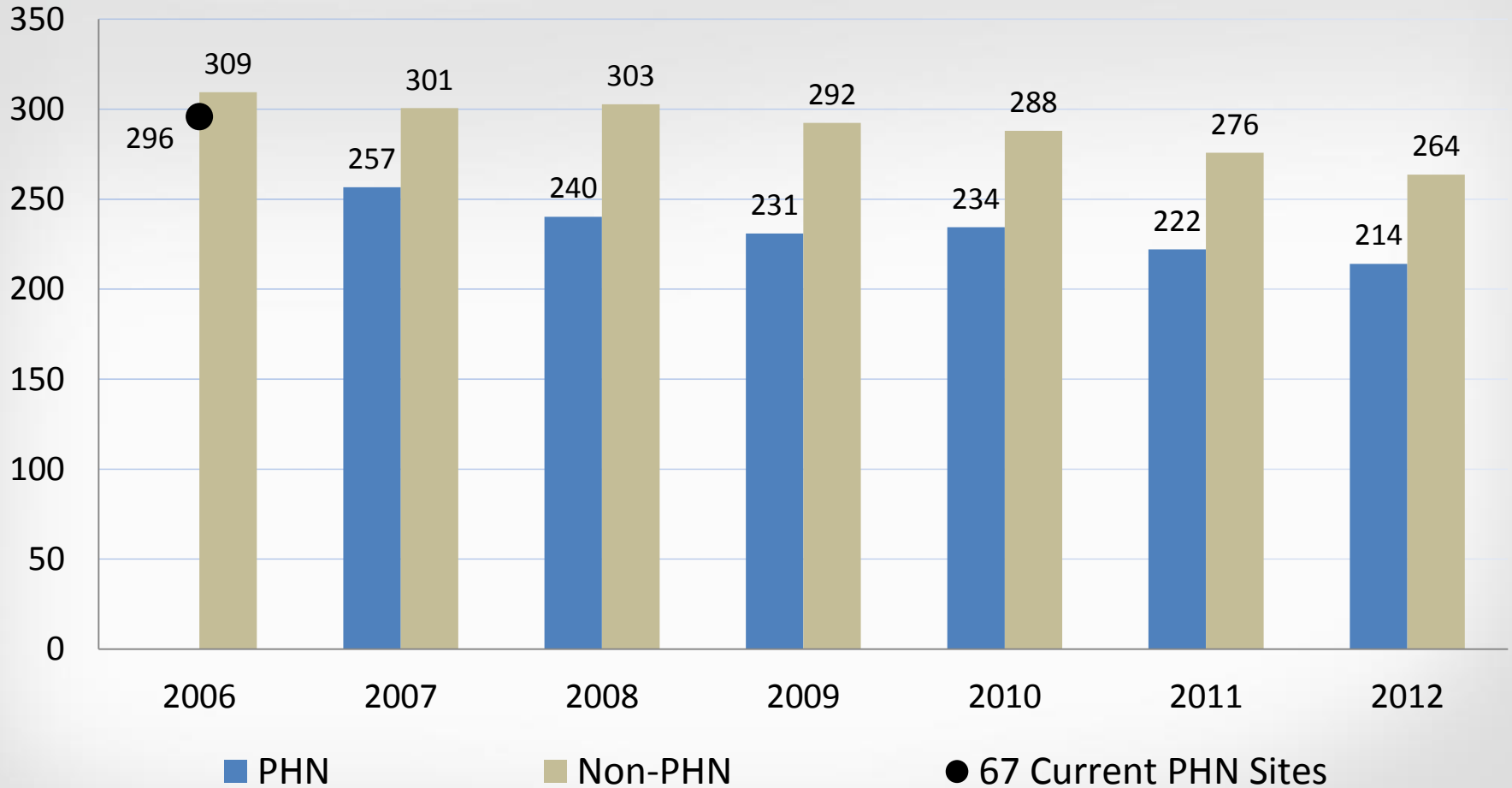


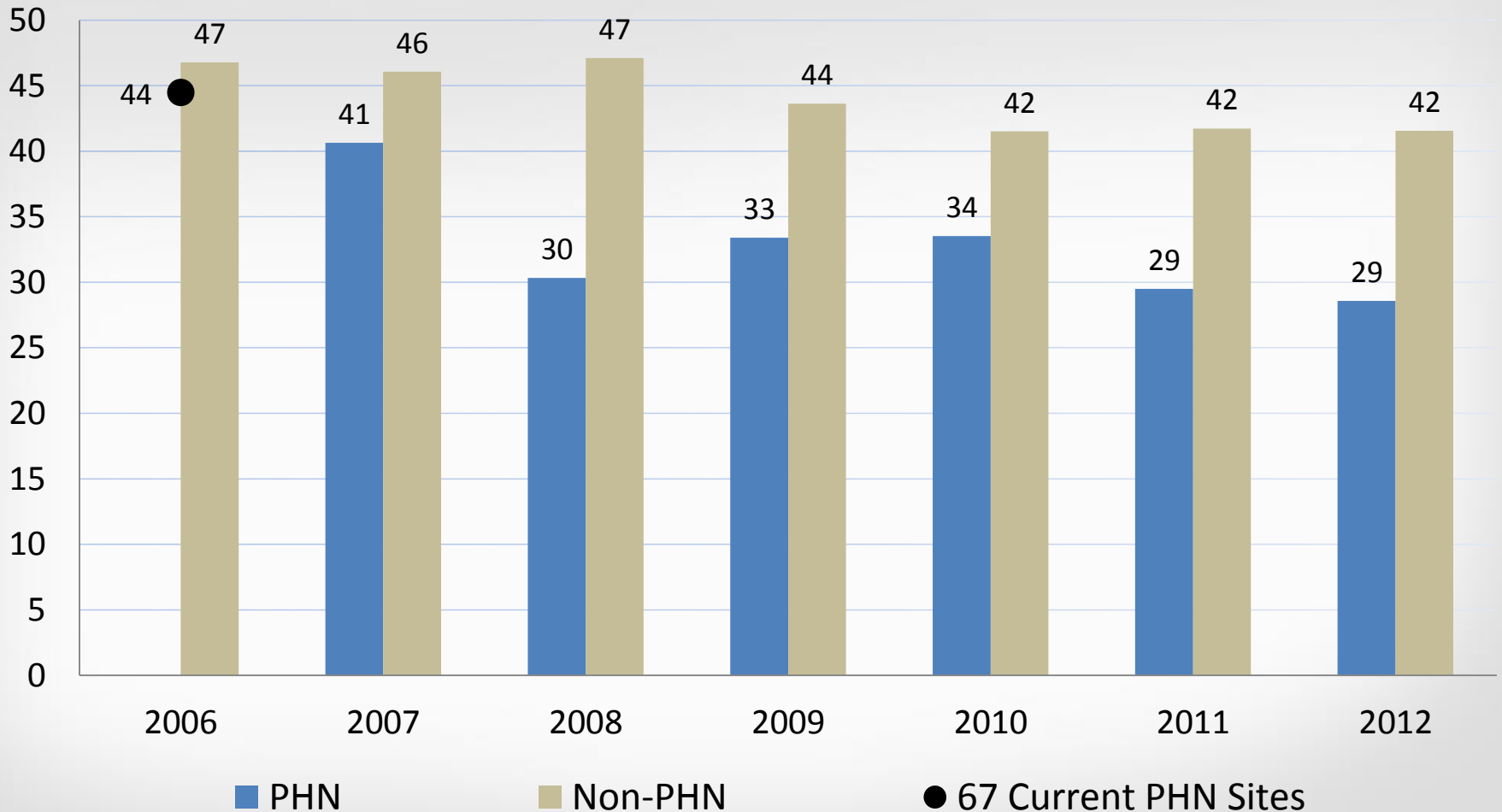


- Less time away from office for staff
- Provide updates, mini educational sessions
- Pharmacy integration
- Round table to discuss cases in more informal setting
- Develop staff relationships



PHN Outcomes





- An evolution toward healthcare partners with a focus on aligning reimbursement with outcomes
- Optimizing touch points to reduce unnecessary hospital admissions
- Collaborative and “full circle” communications to ensure consistent care plan

Physician Quality Summary (PQS) Program

- PQS is a multi-million dollar incentive program for participating Primary Care Providers based on Quality and Efficiency metrics.
- Physicians are evaluated on 5 core measurement areas.
- Physicians receive an overall star rating which determines the incentive amount.

Benefits observed

- Over 50% of GHP's membership is assigned to a 3 star physician.

Creation of a pay for quality program that helps overcome care challenges such as:

- Timely & coordinated referral acceptance and admission visit across continuum
- Disease Management programs to assist with specific diagnoses
- “Kitchen table” medication reconciliation to reduce med errors
- Customized Recidivism approach created for each patient based on their functional status and disease state

% of reimbursement is at risk prospectively for measures not met in future terms of relationship

- Long-term care is evolving to short term, post-acute rehabilitation
- Federal reimbursement reductions, causing SNF's to seek other avenues for revenue
- Focus on transitions of care and quality
 - Tying reimbursement structures to and rewarding providers for:
 - Required Discharge communication across all touch points
 - Higher acuity services & product niches geared to move patients across the continuum (lower acute LOS) and reduce acute admissions
 - Advanced care planning (*POLST, Advanced Directives, etc*)
 - Embedding Advanced Practitioners/SNFist physicians to assist with patient care management while in the SNF



Patients state:

- “The quality of care I receive has improved since I have a case manager.”



Providers state:

- “PHN has allowed me to provide more comprehensive care than the previous system and information regarding my patients transitions of care is much more timely”



Discussions / Questions?