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How to Refine Care Transitions to Reduce Readmissions

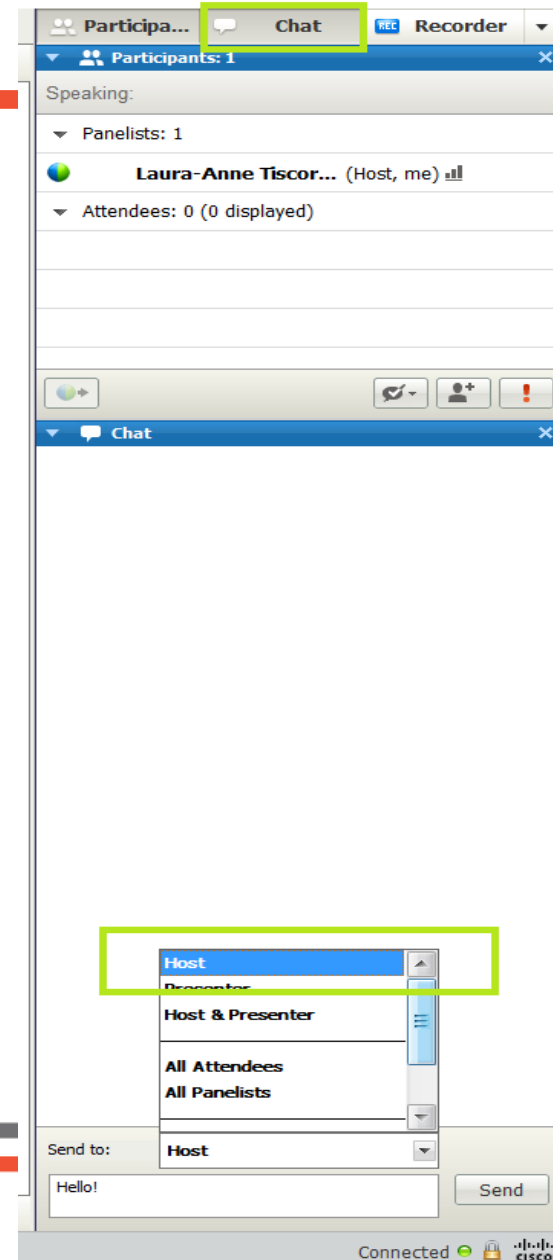
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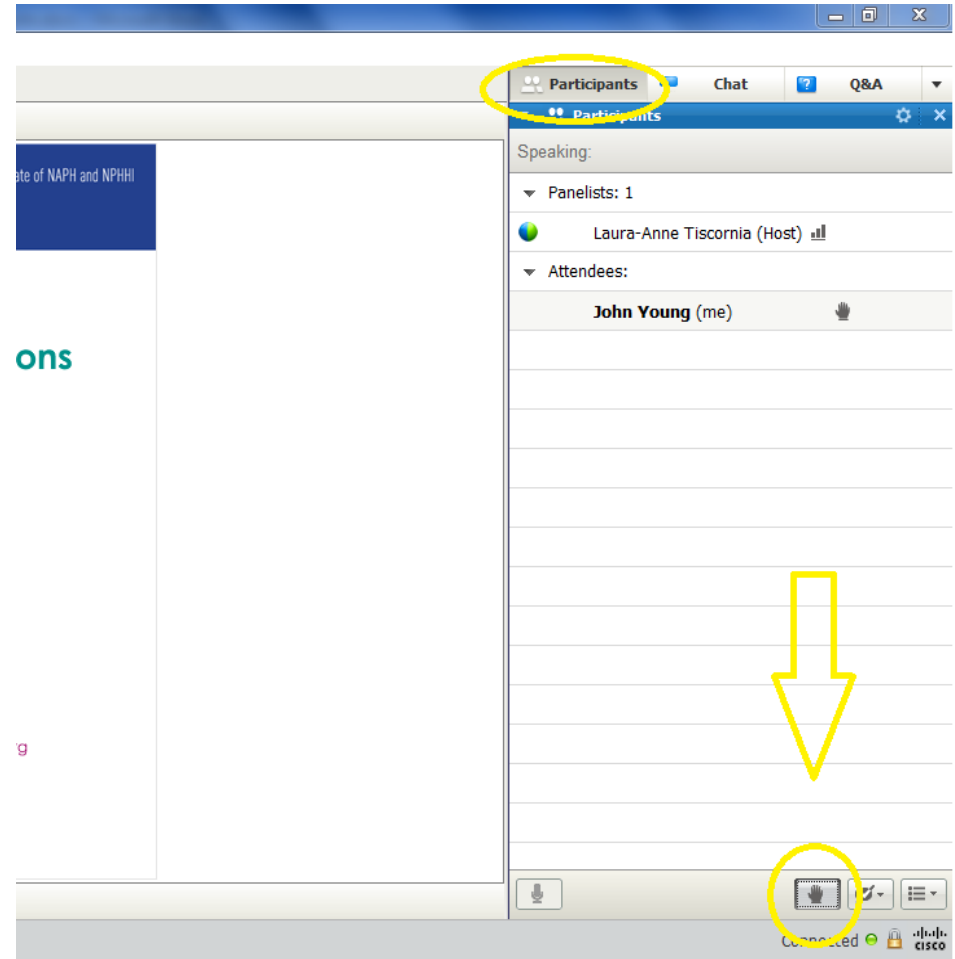
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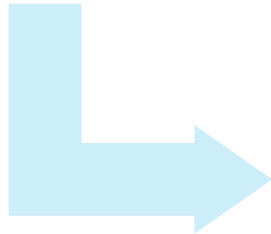
- Partnership for Patients and 2014
- Care Transitions Taskforce – Improvement Work at SFGH
 - » Michelle Schneidermann, MD, San Francisco General Hospital
- Prevent Readmissions Optimize Ambulatory Care Transitions (PROACT)
 - » Sara Levin, MD, Contra Costa Regional Medical Center, Martinez, Calif.
- Transition of Care Program at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center
 - » Thomas Ormiston, MD, and Linda Panofsky, PharmD, Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, San Jose, Calif.
- Q & A
- Upcoming events



2014 PARTNERSHIP FOR PATIENTS

Partnership for Patients (PfP)

- CMS-funded
- Reduce nine hospital-acquired conditions by 40 percent
- Reduce readmissions by 20 percent



Hospital Engagement Networks (HENs)

- 27 contracted organizations
- 3,700 U.S. hospitals



Essential Hospitals Engagement Network (EHEN)

- 22 hospitals nationwide
- Only essential hospital-focused HEN
- Special focus on health equity



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CARE TRANSITIONS TASKFORCE – IMPROVEMENT WORK AT SFGH

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SFGH and DPH enterprise



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- SFGH – academic, public, safety net hospital
 - ▣ About 16,000 patients admitted/year
 - ▣ Diverse patients; staff provide services in >20 languages
 - ▣ Young patients : 45% <45 yo, 35% 45-64 yo
 - ▣ Payer mix: 30% uninsured, 40% Medi-Cal, 20% Medicare, 10% commercial
 - ▣ 8-10% of patients homeless
- Other DPH clinical operations:
 - ▣ Laguna Honda Hospital & Rehab: skilled nursing, rehab, and hospice care
 - ▣ Home health program
 - ▣ Network of primary care clinics
 - ▣ Respite care for homeless
 - ▣ Substance abuse and mental health services

Readmissions at SFGH

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- SFGH's Medicare data 2011-12:
 - ▣ 20% All-Cause 30 day Readmission Rate
 - ▣ 2/3 within 14 days of discharge
 - ▣ 50% after a length of stay ≤ 3 days
 - ▣ Top five DRG's: heart failure, alcohol/drug abuse, COPD, Diabetes, and Renal Failure
 - ▣ The 30 day readmission rate for core measures
 - 20% for AMI
 - 32% for CHF
 - 19% for Pneumonia

Care Transitions Taskforce

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- Multidisciplinary, inpatient/outpatient
- Objectives:
 - Promote transitional care best practices and **reduce readmissions by 15%** by 2014
 - Create a data dashboard
 - Identify high risk patients & deploy interventions to mitigate risk
 - Partner with primary care
 - build capacity and best practices for post-discharge f/u
 - ensure timely follow-up and safe hand-offs

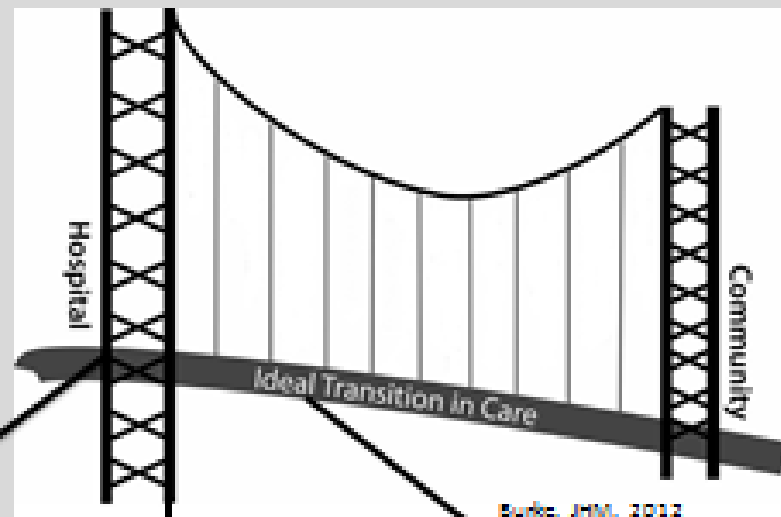
SFGH Care Transitions Taskforce: vision

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Define the Problem

- Multidisciplinary task force convened to describe what we have and where we need to go.
- Data Dashboard created to track readmissions and care transitions process measures starting fall 2013.

Develop Solutions



High Risk

Inpatient

Outpatient

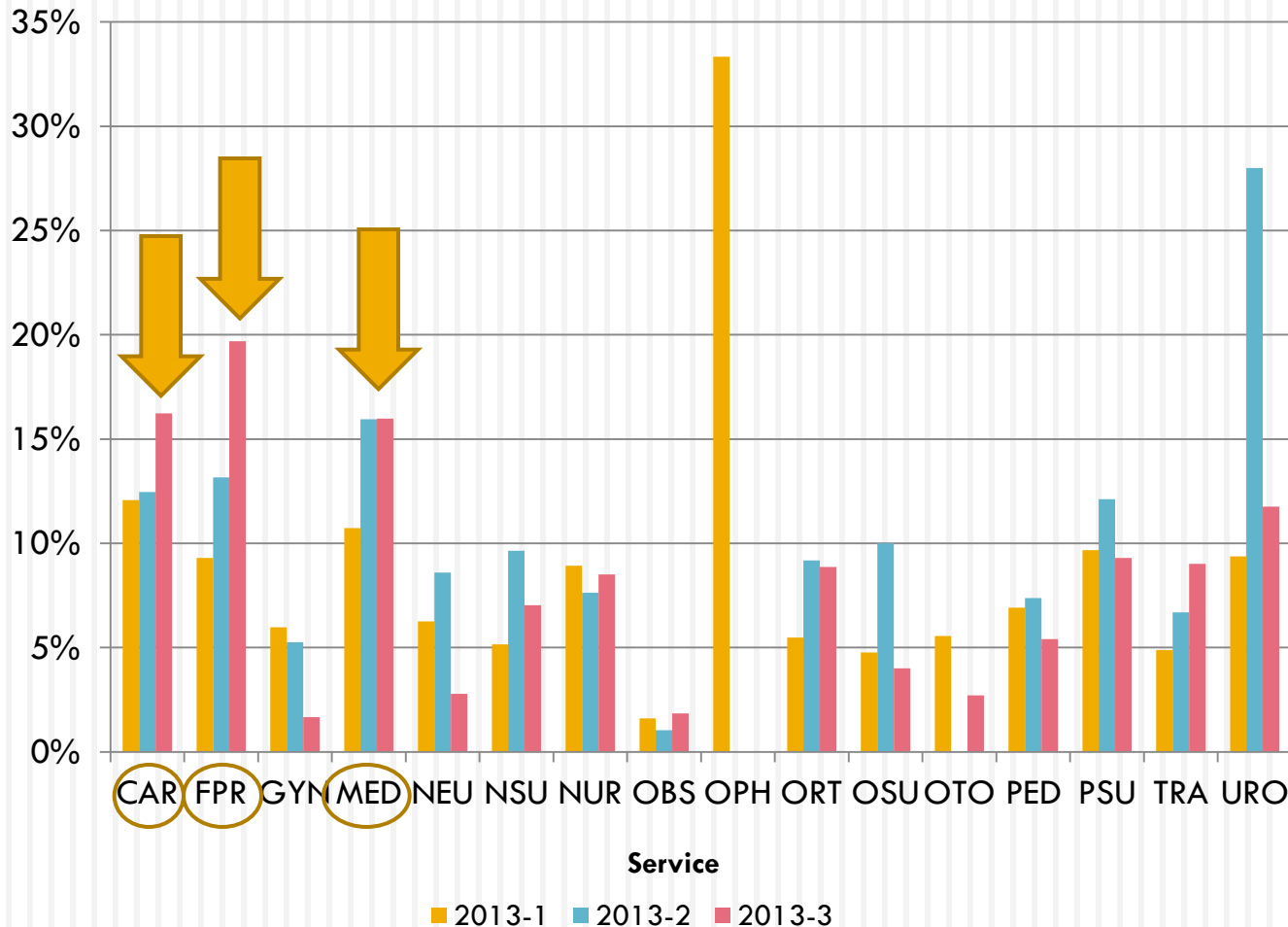
Care Transitions Taskforce: work to date

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- Convened stakeholders
 - ▣ Developed aim statement, charter, found executive sponsor, narrowed scope
 - ▣ Meet bimonthly, >20 active participants
 - ▣ Several subgroups have emerged, including primary care subgroup and pharmacy subgroup
- Received grant from the Moore Foundation to hire data analyst
- Created data dashboard (in process)

Dashboard: 30d readmission rate by service

□ 2013 median rate for all services: 7% (Q1), 9% (Q2), 8% (Q3)



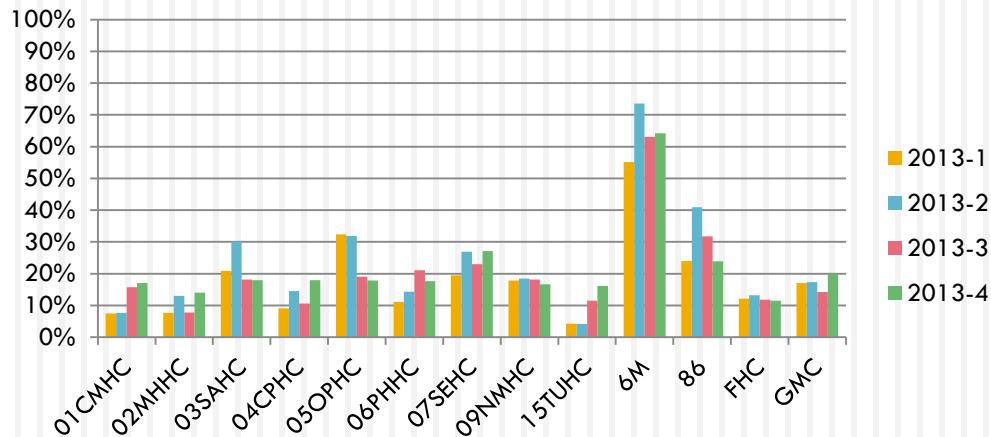
of Readmissions by Service:

Service	2013-1	2013-2	2013-3
CAR	39	42	49
FPR	29	42	65
GYN	4	3	1
MED	124	166	174
NEU	6	11	3
NSU	10	16	13
NUR	24	20	24
OBS	5	3	6
OPH	1	0	0
ORT	9	19	21
OSU	1	1	1
OTO	2	0	1
PED	13	9	8
PSU	3	4	4
TRA	20	30	45
URO	3	7	4

Dashboard: post discharge follow-up

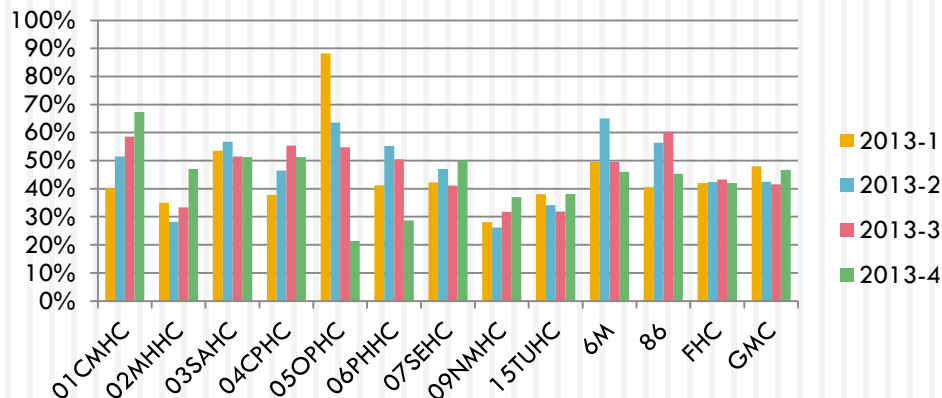
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Proportion of Patients Attending PCH FU Appt Within 7 Days



Definition: # patients discharged from SFGH who attend any PCP, RN, or pharmacy appointment at PCH within 7 days/# patients discharged from SFGH who have CHN/COPC providers; excludes patients with providers outside of CHN/COPC and patients unassigned to PCP. Stratified by clinic.

Proportion of Patients Attending Any FU Appt Within 7 Days



Definition: # patients discharged from SFGH who attend any appointment (primary care or specialty) within 7 days/# patients discharged from SFGH; excludes patients with providers outside of CHN/COPC and W82 Urgent Care. Includes patients without PCP. Stratified by clinic.

Care Transitions Taskforce: work to date

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- INPATIENT improvement work
 - Creating medical student and housestaff curriculum
 - Promoting coordination and process improvement among existing transitional care programs
 - Post-discharge “Bridge” Clinic
 - Medical Respite program for homeless patients
 - SFGH Transitional Care Nursing Program
 - Partnering with IT to build discharge templates into EMR

Patient Name: [REDACTED]
Date of Birth: 06/20/1958
MRN: [REDACTED]

Location: SFGH Inpatient
Dept or Clinic: Medicine

Note Type: Discharge Summary
Note Date: 02 / 13 / 2014
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Note Author: Michelle Schneidermann, MD

DISCHARGE MEDICATIONS:

21. Discharge/Transfer Medications (explain changes)
- Discontinued Medications (include reason)
- New Medications (including dose changes)
- Previous Medications to be continued None

22. Allergies

FOLLOW UP PLANS

PCP contacted:
--At admission (date):
--At discharge (date):
--Mode of PCP contact (phone, email, page):

CURRENTLY: medicine dept has excellent d/c summary template based on best practices.

Problems: not user friendly, can choose whether or not to complete as prompted, not used by services other than medicine.

GOAL: build standardized template based on consensus guidelines directly into EMR.

Benefits: User friendly, required by all services, force function to promote completeness.

Patient Discharge Summary & Plan

Pertinent Findings at Time of Discharge

Patient Status at Discharge:

Functional: IADL: ☐ Independent ☐ Limited
ADL: ☐ Independent ☐ Limited

Cognitive:

Ambulatory Status: ☐ Independent ☐ With Assistive Device ☐ Wheelchair ☐ Other

Code Status:

Discharge Type: ☐ Regular ☐ AMA ☐ AWOL ☐ Expired ☐ Transfer

Discharge Destination:

Patient Primary Provider:

Distribution: PCP will be emailed automatically if in CHN

cc email:

cc email:

Care Transitions Taskforce: work to date

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- OUTPATIENT improvement work
 - CA Quality Collaborative's "Taking Accountability for Ambulatory Care Transitions" (TAACT) Collaborative
 - Standard work for post-discharge follow-up
 - Small tests of change utilizing health workers and nurses
 - Developed EMR-based admission list, sortable by clinic
 - Convened primary care working group to focus on standardizing:
 - Post-discharge follow-up appointment scheduling
 - Content of post-discharge follow-up appointments
 - Use of non-physician personnel to provide f/u

Admission List, Sortable by PCC or PCP

San Francisco
Department of Public Health

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 - Radiologie
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 - UM Dept Menu
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 - Operations
 - Nurse Advise Line
 - Nicotine Orders
 - MRSA Dsch List
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Care Transitions Taskforce: work to date

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- HIGH RISK PATIENTS improvement work
 - Risk prediction tools
 - Developed a modified BOOST 7P's tool
 - Partnering w/IS to build LACE index into EMR
 - Developing SFGH-specific risk prediction tool
 - SFGH Transitional Care Nursing Program
 - Bedside teaching/coaching and post-d/c phone calls for 30d
 - CHF focus: low literacy teaching tools, pharmacist
 - Piloting “Meducation” software
 - Partnering w/SF Community Care Transitions program
 - High risk Medicare patients

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Clinical Resources
Useful Websites
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HELP

CPOE, TRAIN4
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Home Meds Inpatient Medications Allergies
Amoxicillin Allergy

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Select all of the following which apply:

☐ **Principal diagnosis or Prior hospitalization:** If primary Dx = COPD, PNA, MI, CHF, or DM-related; age ≥ 55 OR readmit in last 30 d

☐ **Patient support:** Lives alone? H/o falls, cog impairment, conservatorship, DV/IPV, low health literacy, vision/hearing impairment

☐ **Placement:** Homeless OR cannot return to prior residence

☐ **Psychiatric:** Prior psych hospitalizations, holds, uncontrolled sx

☐ **Polysubstance use:** Active substance use

☐ **Palliative care:** Death likely in the next 6 months? Patient has an advanced or progressive serious illness?

☐ **Polypharmacy:** > 10 scheduled medications; on anticoagulation, insulin, oral hypoglycemic Rx, or admit for medication adverse event

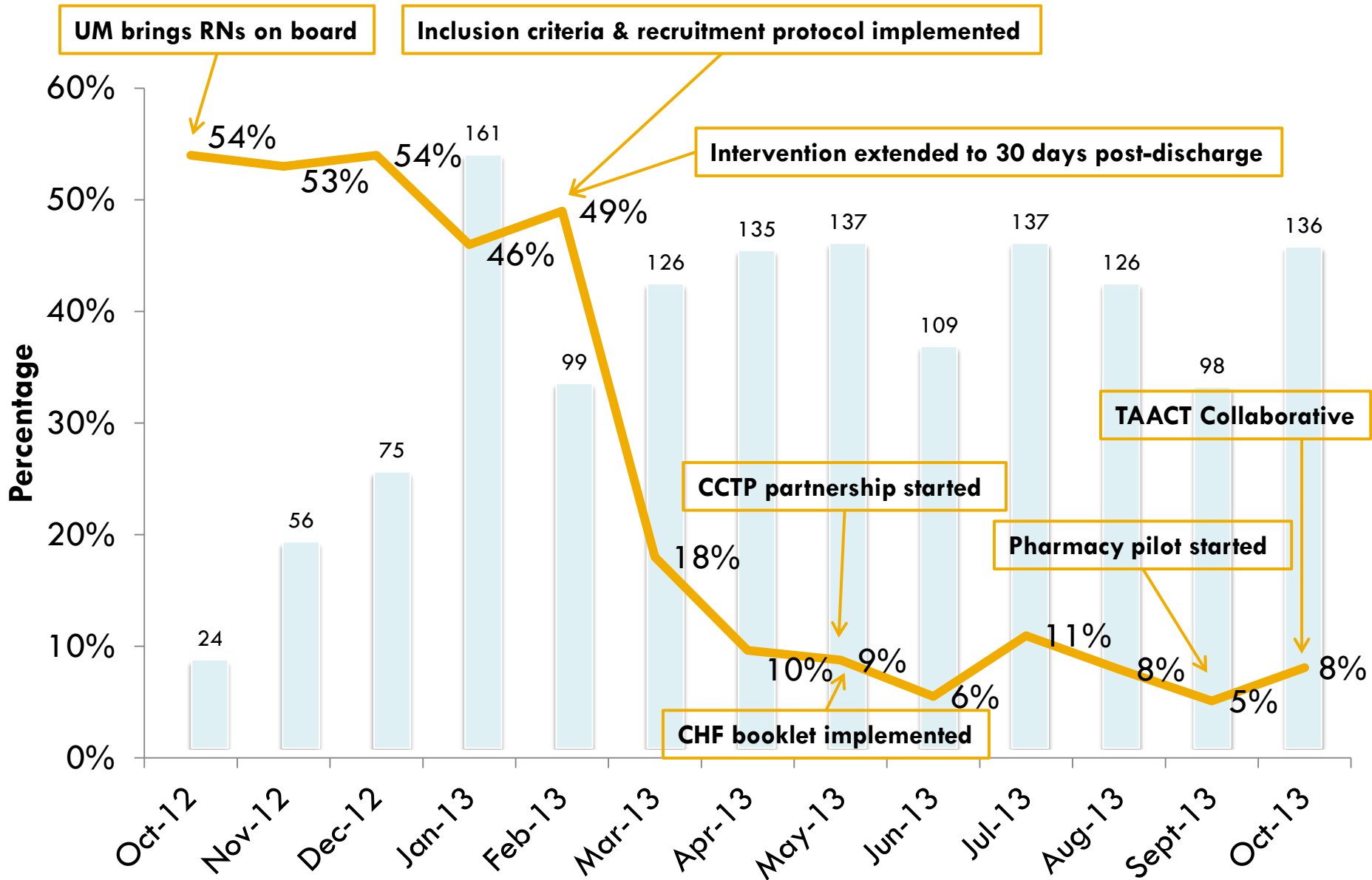
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Modified 7P's

Standard Orders

	MD	SW	UM	RN
<input type="checkbox"/> Principal diagnosis and Prior hospitalization High priority: ≥ 55 yo +/- readmit in 30 days with primary diagnosis of COPD, PNA, MI, CHF, or DM-related complication.	<input type="checkbox"/> Action plan review with pt/caregiver(s) for "red flag" sx <input type="checkbox"/> Determine/contact PCP, ask UM/PCC to assist in arranging f/u appt within 1 wk of discharge. PCP Info: _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss Plan of Care at rounds <input type="checkbox"/> If surgery planned during admission, what is the OR date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible for SF Transitional Care Program (outpt)? Referred Date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Specialty SW involvement and plan (briefly):	<input type="checkbox"/> Level of Care per InterQual Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICU – Date: _____ Acute – Date: _____ LLOC(circle): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SNF SNF-Rehab Custodial Behavioral Date of LLOC: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance? if no coverage, refer to eligibility. <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer needed? D/w team. <input type="checkbox"/> Eligible for SFGH (inpt) Transitional Care Nursing? <input type="checkbox"/> Assist in arranging f/u appts.	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider CNS for specific conditions (DM, wounds, etc.). <input type="checkbox"/> Disease-specific education using teach back with patient/caregiver Patient Education Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

SFGH Transitional Care RN Readmission Rates & Timeline



Lessons Learned

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- A “sanctioned” taskforce with executive sponsorship can bring structure, legitimacy & potentially resources to an otherwise organic process
- Data is key to engaging partners, making decisions in a resource limited setting, and understanding the impact of an intervention
- Relationship building across the continuum of care should be prioritized in transitions work
- There is no “plug and play” solution for care transitions
 - Risk stratification/prediction tools and interventions should be adapted to each system and its population

SPEAKER



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LET'S GET PROACTIVE!!

**PREVENT READMISSIONS
OPTIMIZE AMBULATORY CARE
TRANSITIONS (PROACT)**



**Reducing Readmissions Team
Contra Costa Health Services**

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America's Essential Hospitals

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Contra Costa Health Services

Our mission is to care for and improve the health of all people in Contra Costa County with special attention to those who are most vulnerable to health problems.

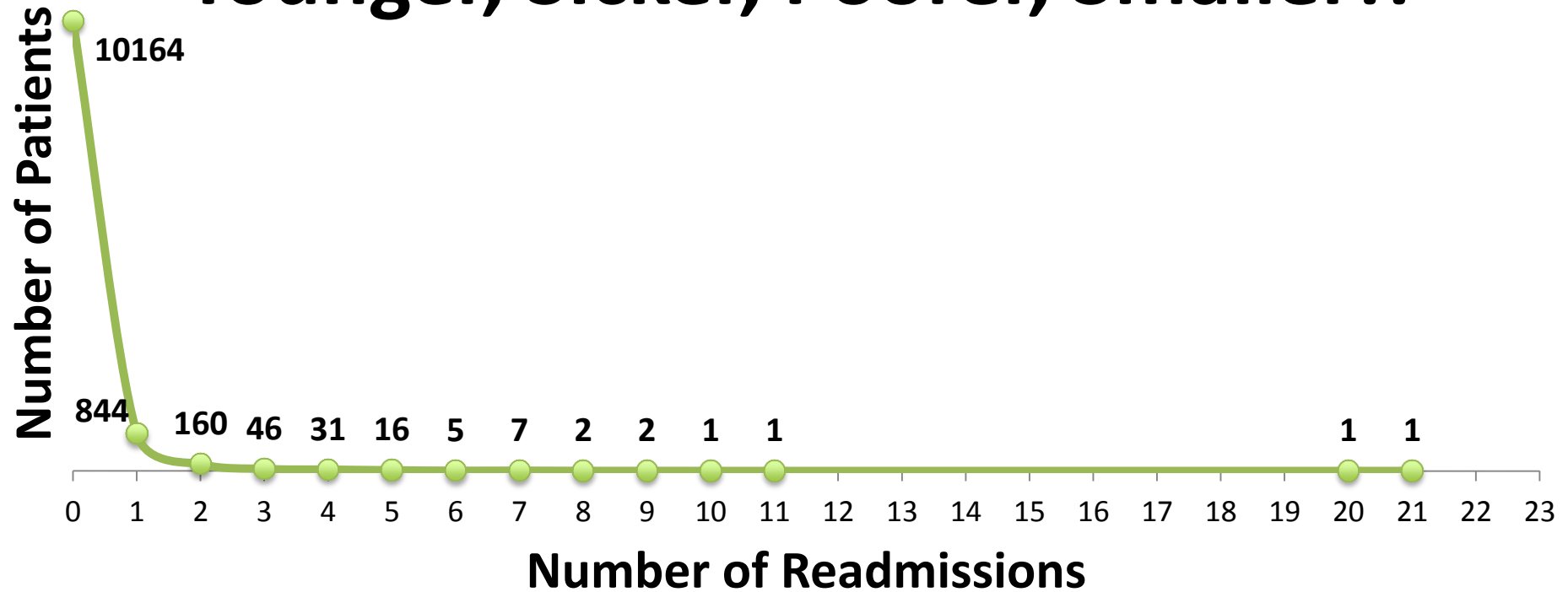


“Improve the health...of those most vulnerable to health problems”

PROBLEM:

- **Delivery system integrated but not aligned**
- **Disease-focused instead of patient-centered**
- **Identifying need - which patient? which problems?**
- **Addressing Social Determinants**

The Safety-Net Readmit Population: Younger, Sicker, Poorer, Smaller!!



2008-2011:

- 1% of hospitalized patients readmitted more than 2 times within 30 days of discharge
- 2.5% of hospitalized patients account for 50% of 30-day readmission visits



GOALS

- **Improve the quality and experience of care during transition period between hospitalization and (re)establishment of primary care**
- **Reduce morbidity that leads to repeated unplanned hospitalization**
- **Improve delivery system between venues**

PROACT

MIND THE GAP

PROACT Team: Patient Touchstone

PROACT TEAM: Inpatient teams;
Home Visit MDs; PROACT RN;
Clinical Pharmacist; Case Mgmt
Coaching (CTI); SNF FNP

Warm Hand-
offs/ active
management

**Primary
Care
Health
Home**

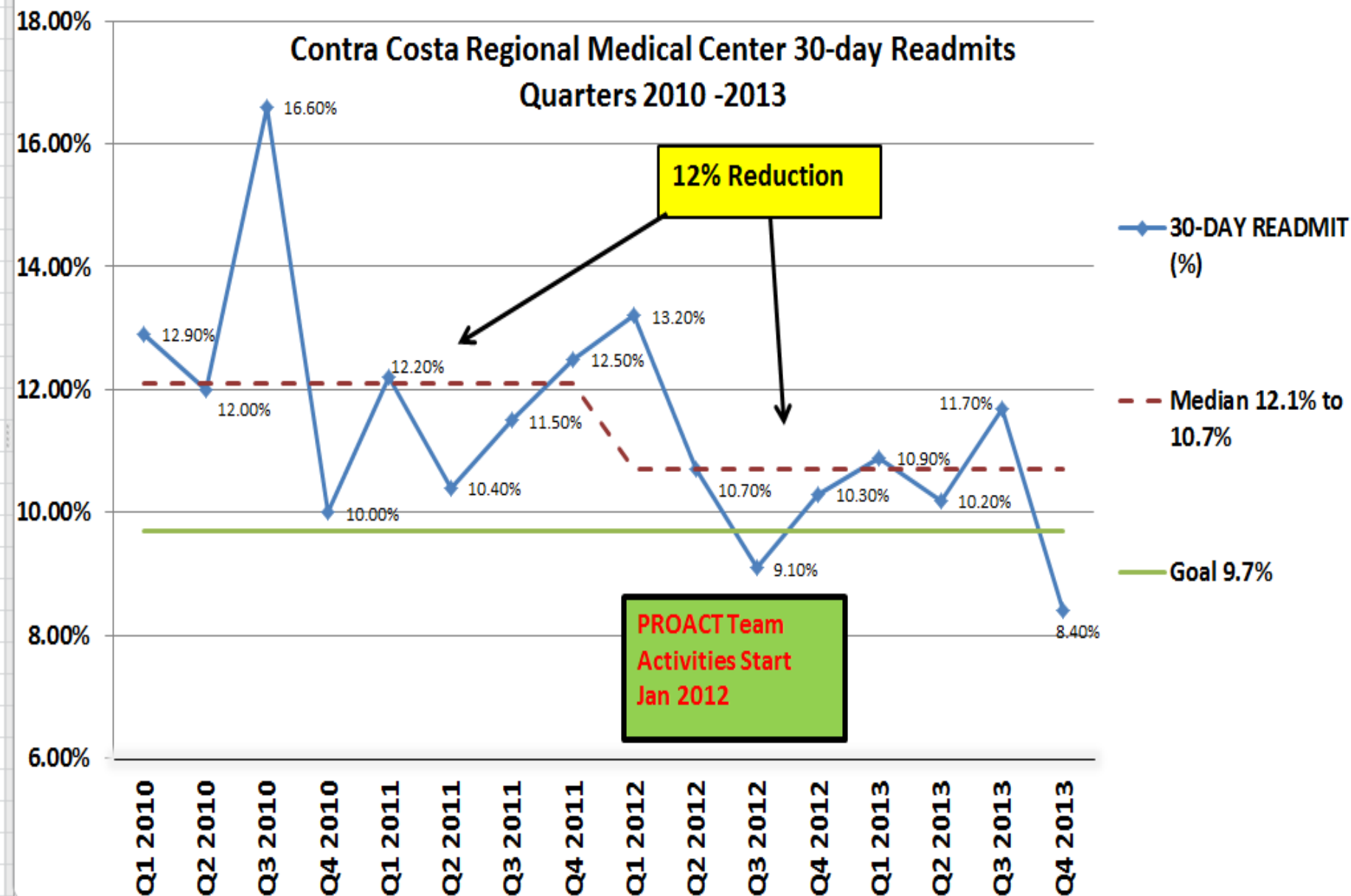
Based on risk level:

- Phone Visit < 72hrs
- PROACT Clinical Pharmacist
- Coaching/Case mgmt.
- Home Health referral
- Home Visit MD
- High Intensity Health Home(?)

Connect to services:

- mental health
- specialty care
- addiction treatment
- hospice
- community support

Contra Costa Regional Medical Center 30-day Readmits Quarters 2010 -2013

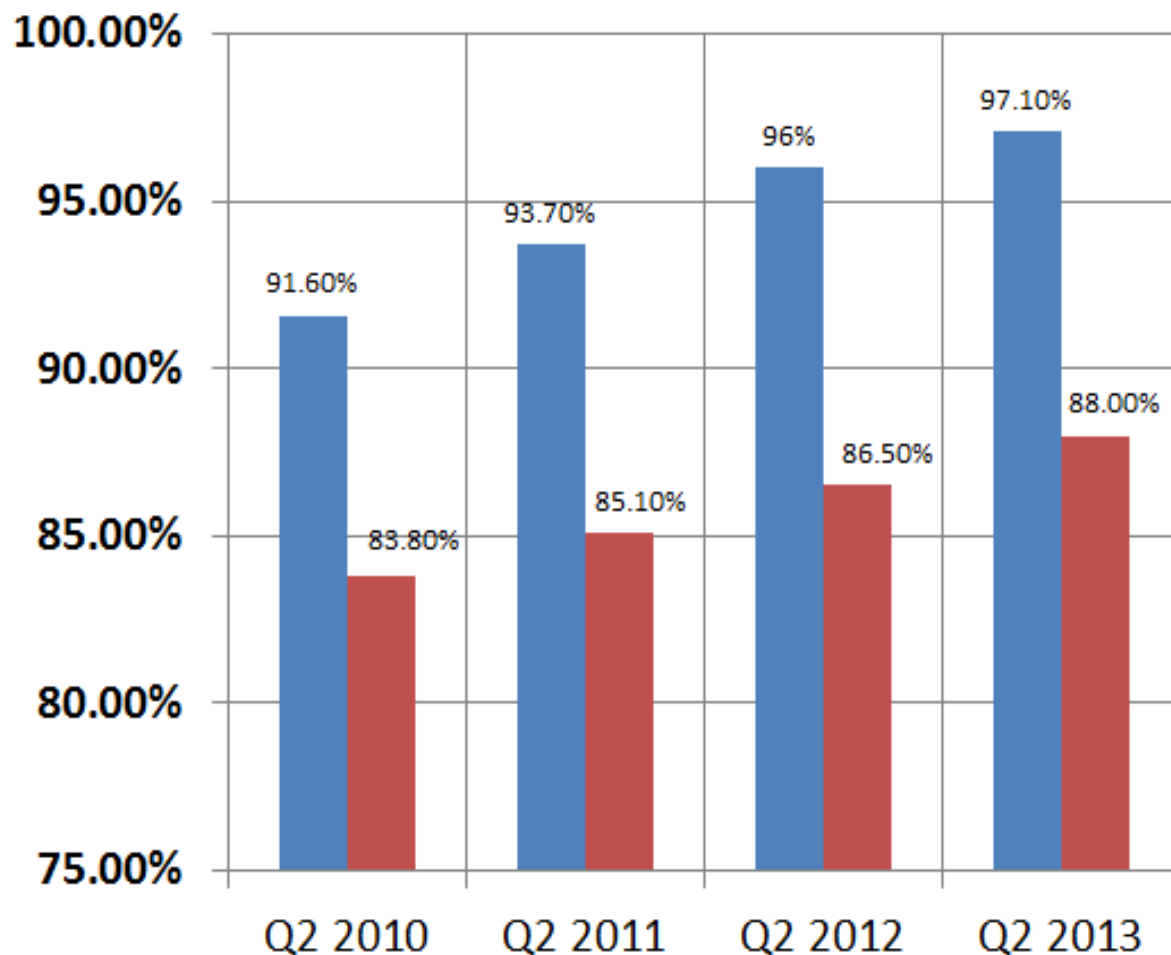


STEADY RISE IN PATIENT SATISFACTION (Goal? Not Yet!)

PROACT

MIND THE GAP

HCAHPS Patient Satisfaction Survey Data



- Received Information about symptoms and condition
- Asked about help needed after discharge

HCAHPS

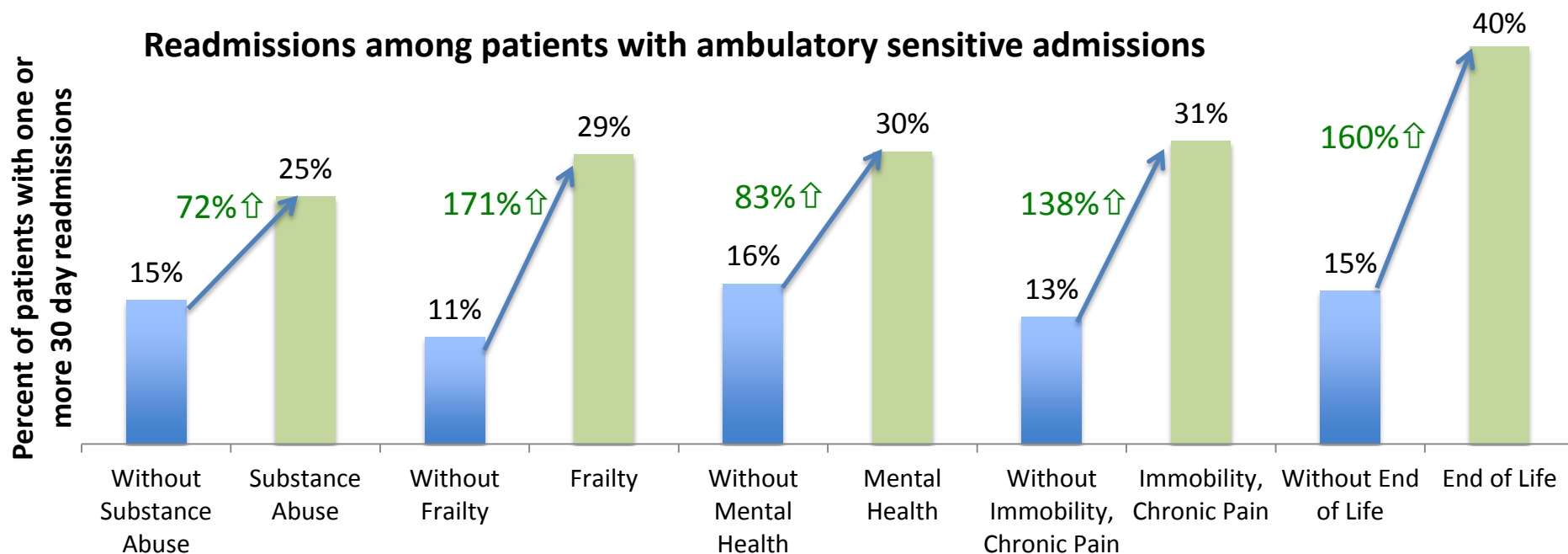
Hospital Care Quality Information
from the Consumer Perspective



Projected Savings from Readmissions Reductions

- \$196K/Mo now! (12% reduction 30-day readmits)
- \$327K/Mo when we reach goal of 20%
- \$3.9 Mil/Yr

Conditions of Vulnerability Drive Readmissions in Patients with Ambulatory-Sensitive Admissions



- Conclusion: Among patients with ambulatory sensitive admissions, a presence of a condition of vulnerability **MARKEDLY** increases risk of readmission for patient



Current Successes & Challenges

- **INPATIENT VS. POST-DISCHARGE FOCUS**
- **IMPROVING INPATIENT EXPERIENCE WITH ENHANCED TEACHING/TEACH BACK AND DISCHARGE PLANNING**
- **IMPROVING THE POST-DISCHARGE COORDINATION**
- **IMPORTANCE OF ASSESSING THE CAPACITY OF THE AMBULATORY SYSTEM TO ADDRESS THE SUPER-UTILIZER POPULATION**
- **TEAM DEVELOPMENT – IMPORTANCE OF EACH DISCIPLINE DEVELOPING THEIR ROLE WITHIN THE LARGER SCOPE**
- **ULTIMATELY, HOW DO WE ADDRESS THIS VERY COMPLEX SITUATION WITHOUT ADDRESSING THE FUNDAMENTAL BASIC NEEDS – HOUSING; FOOD; LITERACY?**

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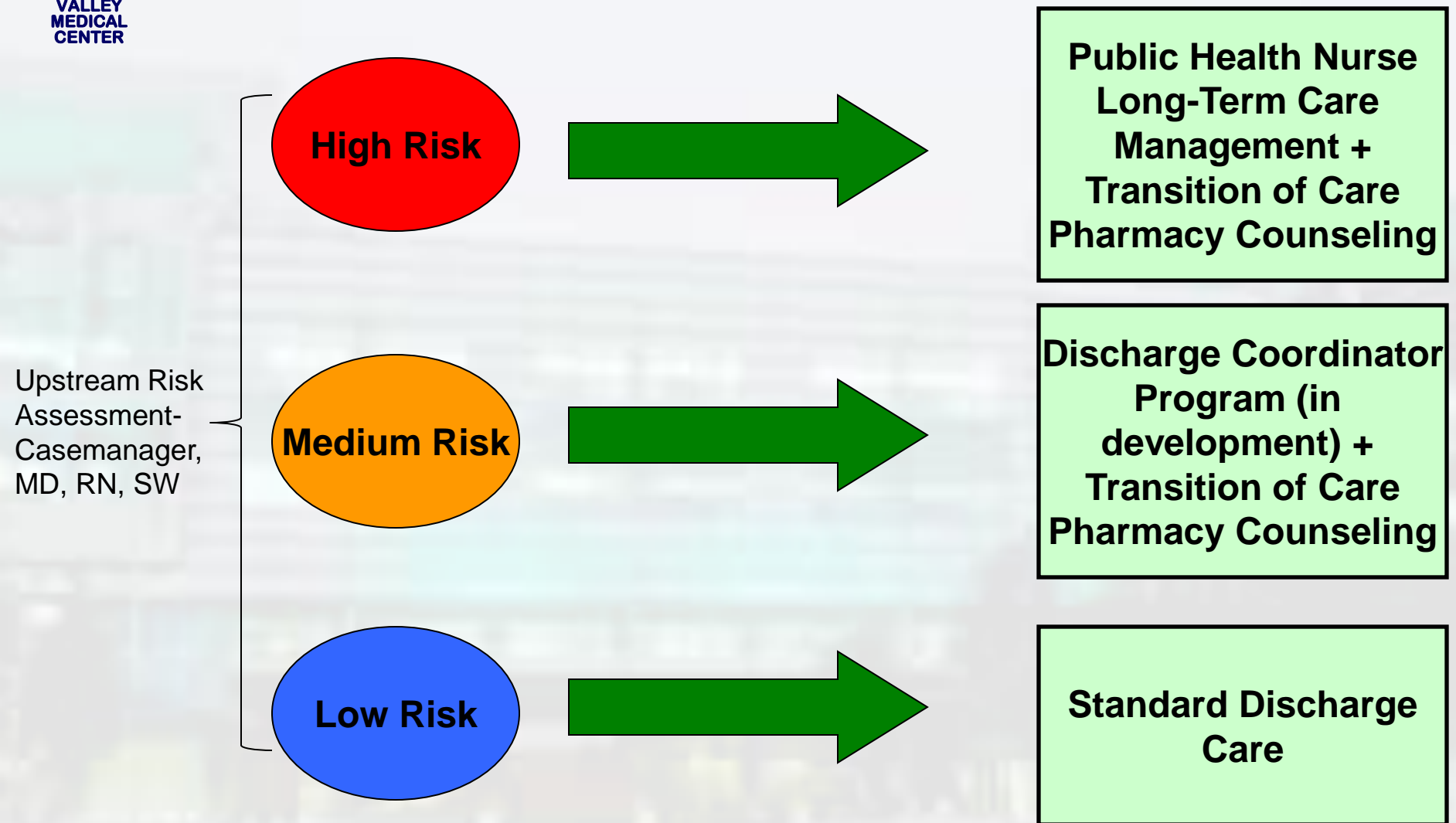
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Program Goals and Objectives

- Identify high risk patients
- Proactive approach to daily discharges
- Timely receipt of discharge prescriptions
- Discharge counseling for patients
- Identify problems at follow-up
- Improve 30-day readmission rates

SCVMC Overview

- Owned by Santa Clara County
- 574-bed, teaching institution
- Provides care to 25% of residents
- Level 1 Trauma Center
- 500,000 patients per year
- Affiliated with Stanford School of Medicine



Target Patients

- Recurrent admissions
- Age > 65 years
- > Five medications or Hx of non-adherence
- ≥ 2 co-morbidities or core measure disease
- Heart Failure, Pneumonia, Diabetes, COPD, Asthma, AFib, DVT/PE

Summary

- 13 months (analysis ongoing)
- 864 encounters, 794 patients
- Inclusion: received bedside education by pharmacist; discharge to a home/self care
- Factors (subgroups)
 - Demographics (Dx, age, homeless status, insurance)
 - Received Meds at Bedside
 - Received Follow-up phone call

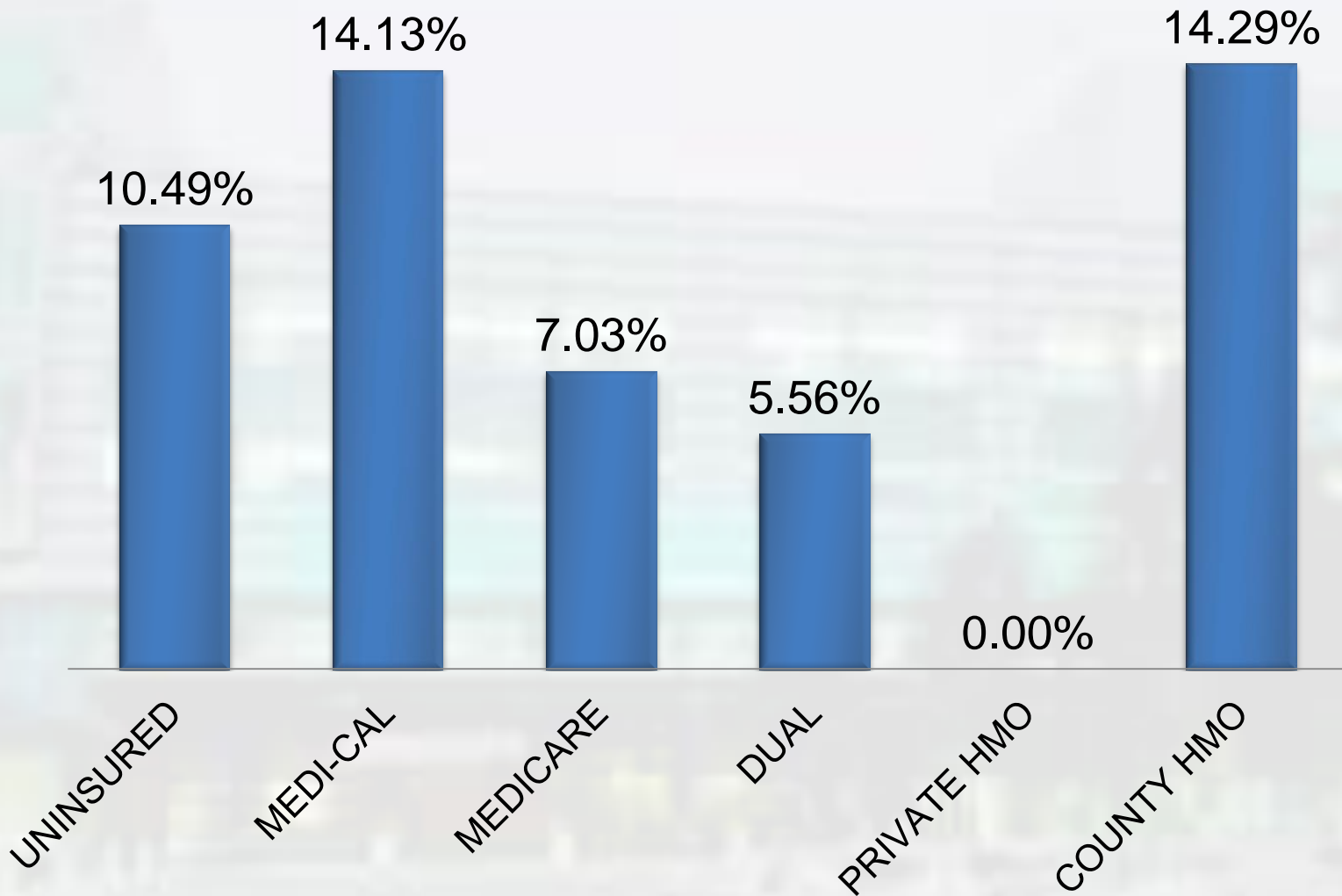
Demographics

- Language: 79% English, 15% Spanish, 2% Vietnamese
- Gender/Age: 61% male, 81% <65 years old
- Homeless status: 11% homeless
- Insurance: 49% Uninsured, 23% Medicaid, 16% Medicare, 9% HMO, 2% Dual
- Total medications: 5 +/- 4.38
- 90% of patient Rxs filled internally (714)
 - 76% received meds at bedside (607)
- 40% of patients were able to be reached for follow up call

Results Conclusion

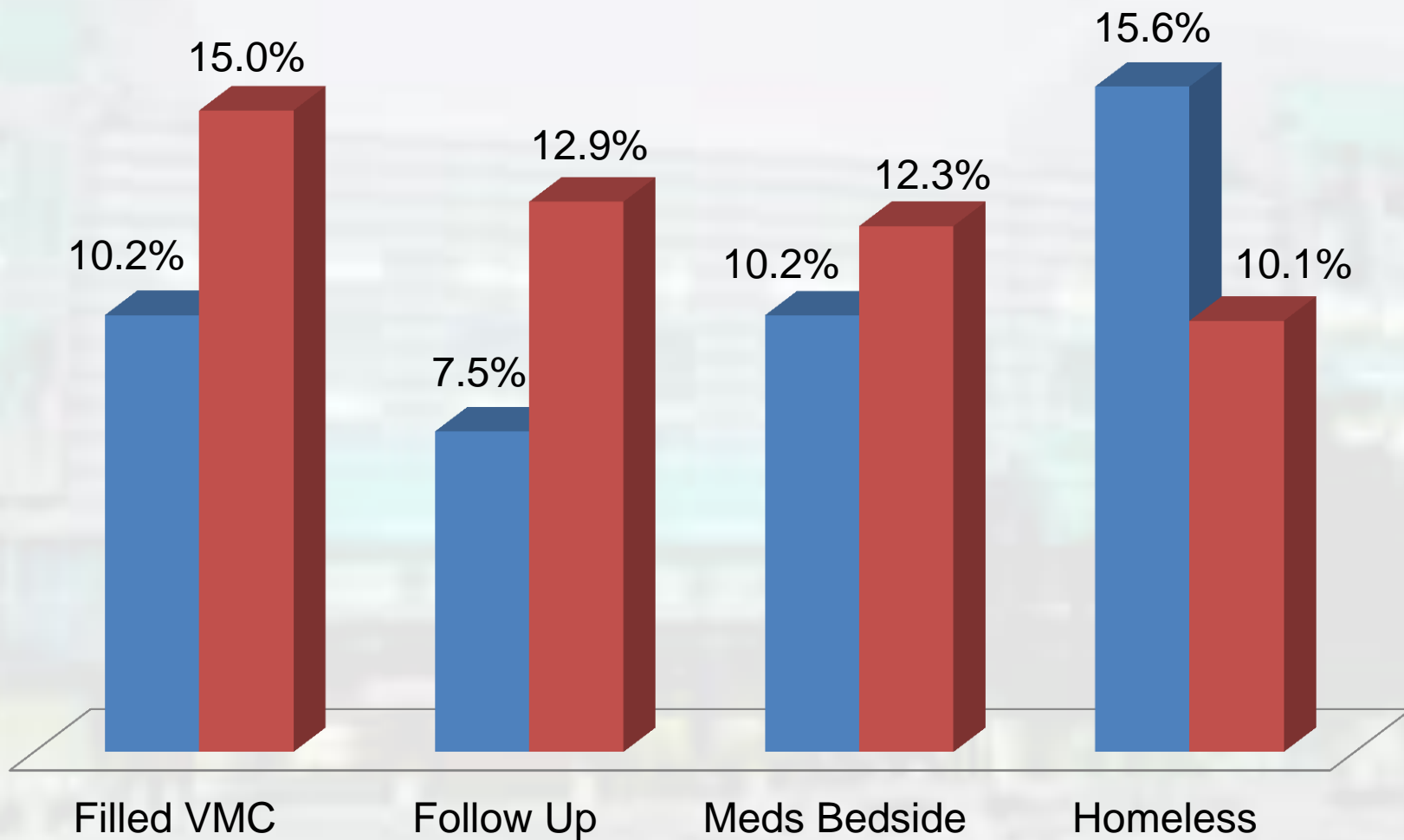
- Hospital baseline same Dx, all cause readmission rate = 15%
- Total study readmission rate = 10.7%
- Absolute Risk Reduction = 4.29%
- No. Needed to Treat = 23
- 34 readmissions prevented in 794 patients
- Estimated Cost Savings = \$314,000
- 367 pharmacist interventions

Readmission Rate by Insurance Type

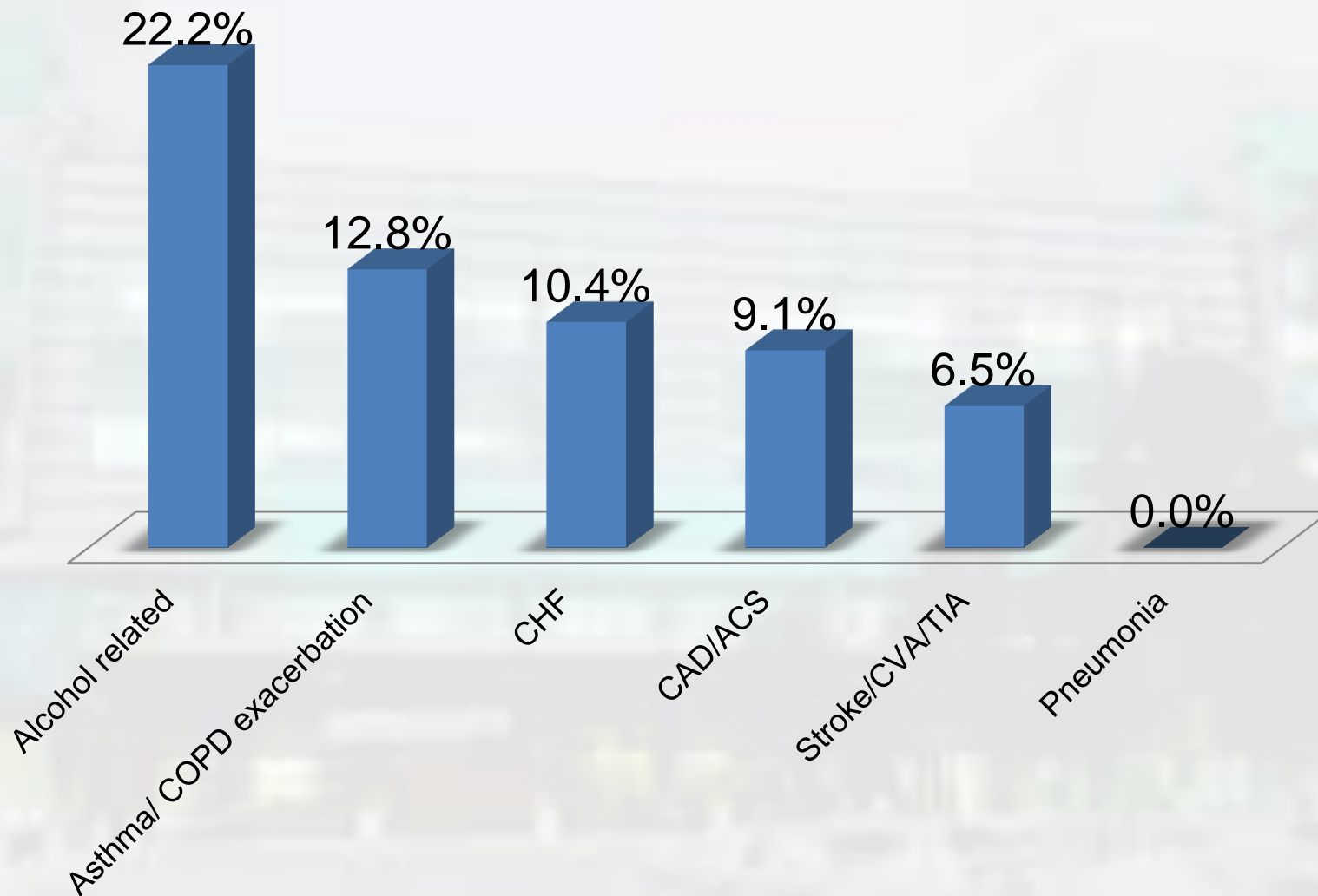


Readmission Rate by Subgroup

■ Yes ■ No



High Risk Diagnosis Readmission Rate



Future Goals

- Improve medication adherence
 - Optimize affordability of medications
 - Prevent adverse events post discharge
- Improve 30-day readmission rates
- Decentralized pharmacists
- Expanding program to other units and teams
- Connect program to other hospital initiatives

Q & A



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Patient and Family Engagement Series IV – Patient and Family Centered Care at the Bedside**
March 6, 2-3 pm ET
- **Save the Date**
Patient Harm Series II – Focus on CAUTI
April 16, 2-3 pm ET



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