

# Solutions for Employers: Integrated, Value-Based (Smart) Network Program A Smart Network for Employers by Employers

## Powerful Healthcare Forces



Healthcare costs continuing to rise at a pace greater than inflation (market consolidation, specialty pharmacy, chronic disease)



Consumerism with access to data, transparency efforts around pricing and quality, expectations based on non-healthcare transactions



Aging population creating payor mix shift to Medicare



Workforce challenges including physician shortages, burnout, labor costs, skillset deficits



Rapid adoption of virtual care post-COVID (telemedicine, digital medicine)



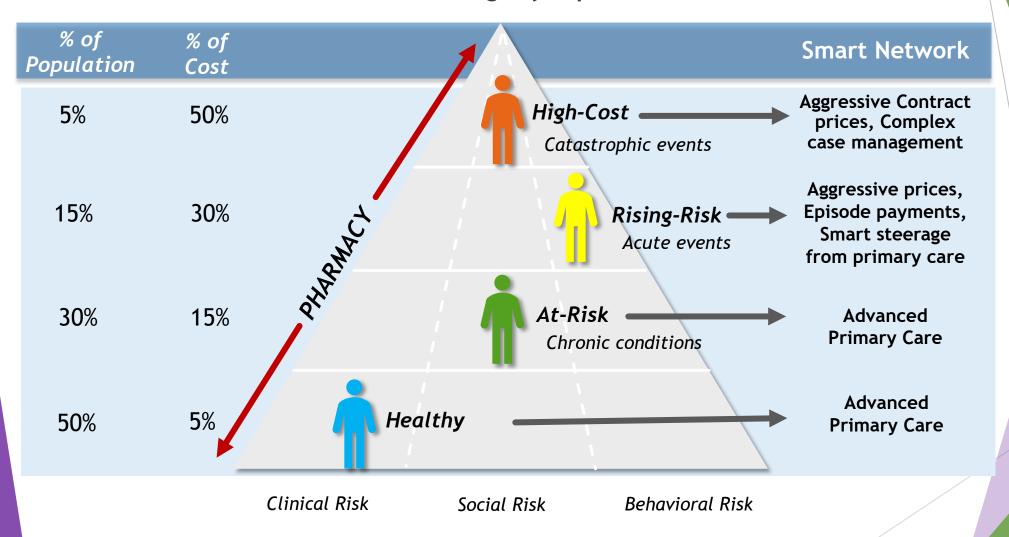
Health equity focus, access to care for underserved populations

# **Equally Powerful Responses**

- 1 Employers increasingly taking bold steps to reduce costs
- 2 Transition to value-based payments led by Medicare and Medicare Advantage
- Private equity funded digital and tele-medicine companies, new provider models, health plans and provider acquisitions
- New competitors that are well-financed, scaled, and potentially disruptive (Amazon, Walmart, CVS, Walgreen's, Best Buy, Dollar General)
- Vertically-integrated organizations (United Healthcare/Optum, CVS/Aetna, Humana/CenterWell)

# Population Health Pyramid/Corresponding Smart Network

#### Percentage of Population



### Smart Benefit Plan: Key Smart Network Components

#### **Facilities and Other Services**

- Hospital, rehab, skilled nursing
- Ambulance, DME, supplies

#### **Specialty Care**

- Surgical, medical and chronic care bundles or population-based payments (60-70%)
- FFS payments for emergency and other services not bundled

#### **Advanced Primary Care**

- Prevention, wellness, chronic care
- Sick visits, urgent care
- Integrated mental health, lab, telemedicine
- Care coordination, Navigation services



Clinical Risk

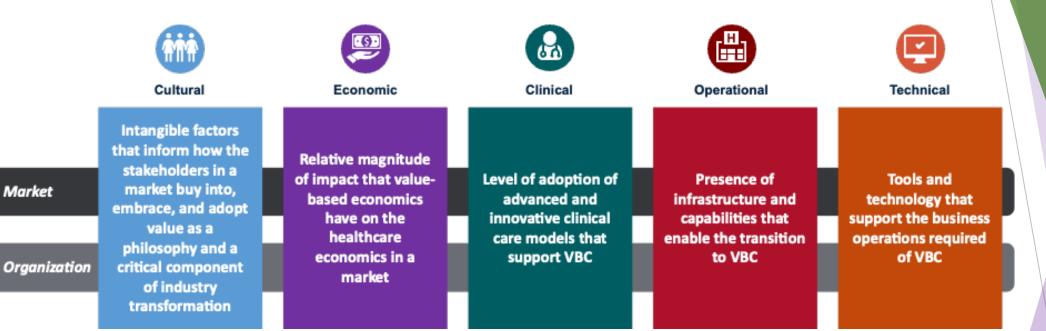
Social Risk

#### **Pharmacy**

Aggressive formulary based on lowest net prices Limited network

Patient incentives (low copays, etc.)

# Value-Based Maturity Emphasized



How do we mature?
Where do we prioritize?
What is our pace of change?

# Lynchpin Component of Smart Network: Advanced Primary Care

What makes primary care "advanced" primary care?

- Enhanced Access for Patients
  Convenient access, same day
  appointments, walk-ins, virtual access,
  no financial barriers to primary care
- More Time with Patients
  Enhanced patient engagement and support, shared decision-making, understanding preferences, social

determinants of health

Organizational & Infrastructure

Backbone

Relevant analytics, reporting, reporting

Relevant analytics, reporting, reporting and communication, continuous staff training

Realigned payment methods

Patient-centered experience and outcomes, quality and efficiency metrics, deemphasize visit volume

2 Disciplined Focus on Health Improvement
Risk stratification and population health

management, systematic approach to gaps in care

4 BH Integration

Screening for BH concerns (e.g., depression, anxiety, substance use disorder) and coordination of care

More limited, appropriate and highquality referral practices, coordination and reintegration of patient care

#### The Promise of APC

#### **Improve and Increase**

Health, patient engagement, satisfaction, personalized and holistic care

#### Reduce

Unnecessary care and referrals
Urgent care, ER visits, and hospitalizations
overall reduced total cost of care

#### PATIENT-CENTERED

- Enhanced Access
- More time for engagement, support and SDM
- BH Integration

#### POPULATION-FOCUSED

- Disciplined focus on health improvement
- Systematic referral management/re-integration
- Appropriate organization and infrastructure

#### PERFORMANCE-REWARDED

Realigned payment

## SmArt Network Design Elements

#### **Advanced Primary Care**

• 2-3 multi-site groups

- Prevention, wellness, chronic care, sick visits, urgent care
  - Integrated mental health, lab, telemedicine
  - Population-based (capitated) payment model

#### **Specialty Care**

- Surgical, medical and challenging chronic care
  - Emergency and other services

- Specialists identified via quality and efficiency metrics
  - Bundled episodes or capitated, 60-70%
  - Use of wrap-around network, FFS for unbundled

#### **Facilities and Other Services**

- ASC, Hospital, rehab, skilled nursing
  - Ambulance, DME, supplies

- Identified via quality and efficiency metrics
- Episode payments bundled with specialty whenever possible
  - Use of wrap-around network, FFS for emergency

#### Pharmacy

• Limited network, integrated specialty network

- Aggressive formulary based on lowest net prices
- Patient incentives for therapeutic substitution
  - Integrated specialty drug plan

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• Directed by primary care to specialty care

**Shared Information** 

• Shared medical records, care coordination

**Standard Measure Sets** 

• Transparent quality, cost and efficiency measures

**Smart TPA** 

• Eligibility, population-based payments, reference prices

# Key Components in Smart Network Development:

- 1. Comprehensive solution, not just another unconnected point solution
- 2. Advanced Primary Care foundation with multiple primary care group options
- Smart referral to specialists from PCPs based on quality and price referenced to Medicare.
- 4. Focus on MSK, maternity, cardiology, oncology and chronic disease management
- 5. Transparent PBM with specialty Rx capabilities
- 6. EPO design offered alongside existing PPO or ACO
- 7. Objective population health metrics focused on outcomes not services
- 8. Designed collectively with employers



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Behind every success there is effort

Behind every effort is passion

Behind every passion is someone with the courage to try