Value Based Care: Changing How We Practice

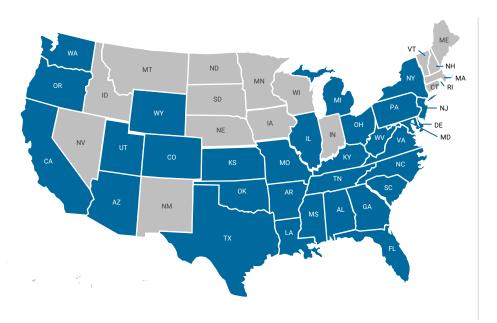
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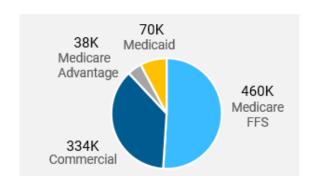
Aledade is building a movement of independent physicians by aligning financial models with patient outcomes





√ 31 States

- **615+** Practices, **7,300+** Providers
- 850,000+ Attributed Patients
- 90+ EHRs & Practice Mgt Systems
- \$8.5+ Billion
 Under Management
- \$378 M Savings to Date



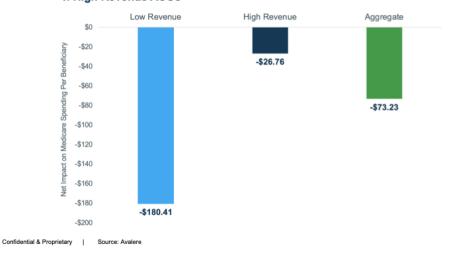
Why does value-based payment make sense for payers and for independent primary care practices?



- Sustainable alternative to fee for service
- Alignment of incentives for payer and provider, around what's best for patients and society
- Independent primary care providers are communitygrounded, best situated to quarterback care, and have the most aligned incentives to drive downstream cost savings

Low-Revenue (aka physician-led) ACOs generate more savings than High-Revenue (aka hospital) ACOs.

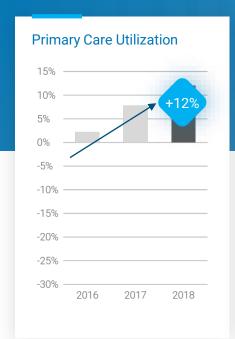
Figure 1. Net Impact on Medicare Spending Comparison of Low Revenue v. High Revenue ACOs

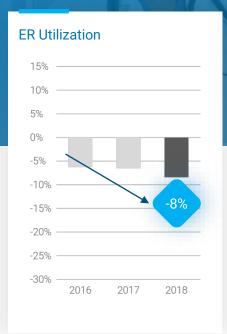


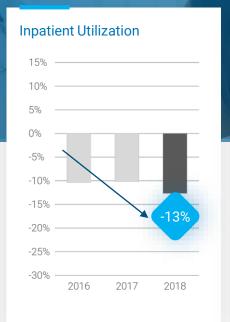
Aledade ACO Track Record

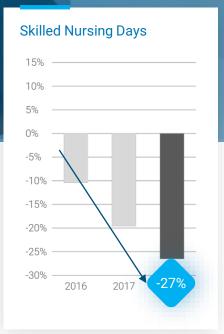


More primary care, fewer ER visits, hospitalizations, and nursing home days.





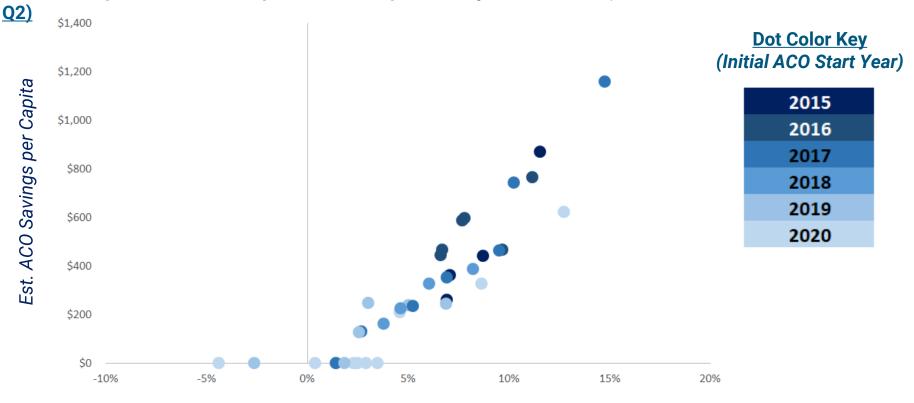




ACOs Do Better With Time

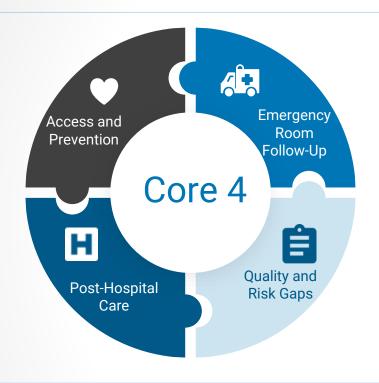


Gross Savings Rate and Per Capita ACO Savings Share by Aledade ACO (2020)



The Core 4: Simplifying the Path to Savings





Additional Initiatives Layer On

Behavioral Health and Social Needs

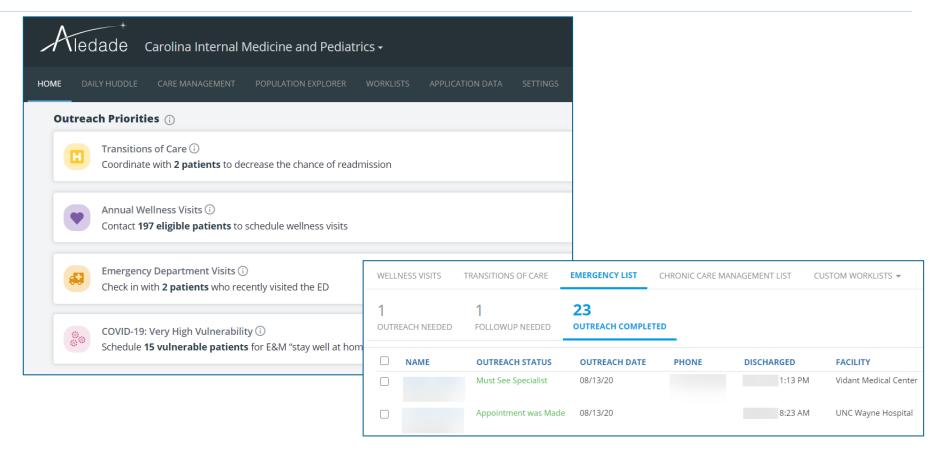
High Value Specialty Care Medication Management

- → Focusing on the Aledade "Core 4" initiatives across all payer populations
- → Actionable data at the point of care
- → Elbow-to-elbow support in practices for EHR optimization and workflow redesign



Prioritized patient outreach, tech-enabled workflows

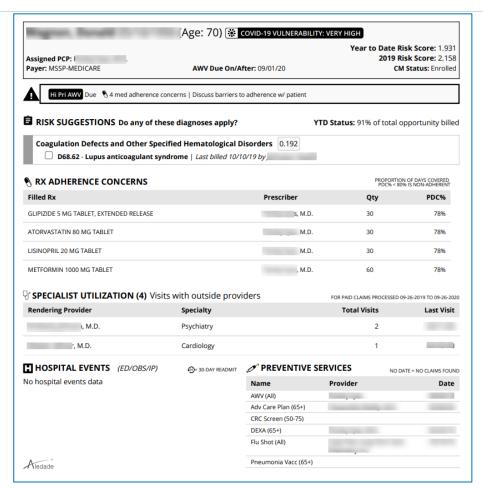




Actionable insights at the point of care



- Alerts (e.g.)
 - recent hospitalization
 - frequent ED
 - Medication adherence
 - high value medication alternatives
- Coding suggestions for accurate risk capture
- Visit history
 - Specialist and urgent care utilization
 - Hospital events
- Preventive services
 - Screenings
 - Immunizations



Medication Management-- Best Practices for All Practices



- Habitual use of Aledade "Daily Huddle" for morning team huddles and at point of care, for need-to-know, need-to-act information
- Always inquire about medication use, using motivational interviewing techniques
 - "How often do you miss a dose of your meds?"
 - "How do you remember to take your medication every day?"
- Minimize samples. Default to generic. Use \$0 copay options.
- First Fill Follow Up (check in before the 1st refill)
- Use 90d supplies and maximize # refills
- Streamline refill protocols and processes. Don't hold the meds hostage.

Empowering the Care Team







- Lindsey Mitchell, CRNP
- Dr. Basel Refai, MD
- Alexander City, AL (pop. 14,375)

Actionable information at the point of care

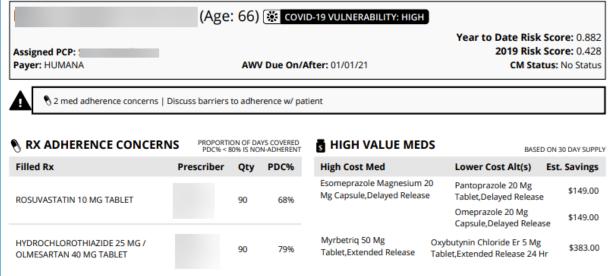




- Clinton Medical Clinic, Clinton, NC (population 8,529)
- 9 physicians, 7 APPs
- Value-based contracts with total cost of care accountability:
 Medicare MSSP, BCBSNC MA and commercial, Humana, United



Art Apolinario, MD



(sample Aledade daily huddle sheet for patient similar to Dr. Apolinario's)

Building the Team for Getting the Meds Right: Many Flavors





- Healthcare is local: strengthening PCP and community pharmacy relationships
- Community pharmacies who understand what we need gain PCP loyalty
- CHCs with embedded 403B pharmacies expanding the pharmacist role on the care team
- Practices serving as community pharmacy residency program site
- Co-located services with collaborative agreements (BH, MTM,TCM, AWV)
- 6. ACO or payer-funded centralized clinical pharmacy support

Value Based Care During a Pandemic



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COVID-19 "Stay Well at Home" Telehealth Visit Checklist



Don't forget to review the Daily Huddle for alerts and tags!



Starred tasks can be performed outside of the visit by practice staff or using a questionnaire.



Provide COVID-19 Patient Education & Guidance

*Educate on Vulnerability to COVID-19:

People aged 65 and older and those with heart conditions, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes and cancer or other immunocompromising conditions are significantly more vulnerable to severe illness in the event of coronavirus exposure.

*Avoiding Exposure - Advise:

- "Stay at home as much as possible, stay >6 feet away from others if you must go out."
- Wash hands frequently for >20 seconds, keep hand sanitizer with you, avoid touching your face."
- "Postpone elective procedures, surgeries, dental and other non-urgent visits. Did you have anything coming up?"

Make a Care Plan for Chronic Conditions & Ensure Adequate Supplies

Medications and Durable Medical Equipment:

- *Ensure patients have a 90 DAY SUPPLY of. medications and DME, including home oxygen. nebulizers, incontinence supplies, etc.
- *Encourage to call for refills at least 2 weeks in advance, and arrange for home delivery from local or mail order pharmacy. (Many payers are allowing for early refills)
- *Ask: "How often do you miss a dose of your medication?" (Address barriers to adherence)
- See full medication review guidance here.

Dialysis, Infusions, & Other Critical Therapies:

Ask: "Are there any barriers to care or treatment?"

General:

- Consider need for home self-monitoring devices to complement telehealth visits.
- Provide instructions for self-measurement and symptom monitoring, and when to call. Engage family members to
- Reinforce medication adherence and address barriers.
- Consider enrollment in chronic care management.

- HTN: BP monitor at home? Establish self-monitoring plan. DM: Glucometer at home? Establish self-monitoring plan.
- ☐ HF: Scale at home? Establish self-monitoring plan.
- Coumadin: Can the patient switch to a direct oral anticoagulant? If not, establish plan for INR monitoring, (Click here for further anticoagulation guidelines)

Keep Patients Prepared for the Future

Advanced Care Planning:

Ask: "Have you and your family talked about your wishes for ventilator support or resuscitation in the event of serious illness?" (Discuss end of life wishes and advance directives. Offer f/u telehealth ACP visit)

*Provide Guidance on When to Call:

Advise: "Call us if you develop a cough or fever, feel

bad in any way, or if you have any other concerns." *Urgent or Emergent Care:

Does your patient know who to call or where to go if high acuity care is required?

- COVID-19 Precautions
- Medication and DME supplies
- Plan of care for chronic conditions
 - home monitoring
- Advance care planning
- Food and safety at home
- Anxiety, depression, stress management
- Alcohol and substance use

Address Social & Behavioral Health Needs

*Social Needs:

- Ask: "How are you currently obtaining groceries? Do you have sufficient access to food?"
- (Arrange Meals on Wheels or other services as necessary)
- Ask: "What is the one thing that worries you most." about staving at home during this emergency?"
- Ask: "Do you have a family member or friend who can check in on you regularly?" (Encourage staying connected virtually)

Behavioral Health:

- *Consider a PHQ-2 or GAD-7 screen.
- *Ask about alcohol and substance use.
- Refer for behavioral health telehealth services as needed.

Smoking Cessation:

■ More important now than ever! (Consider nicotine replacement therapy and pharmaceutical support)

Physical Activity & Healthy Eating:

Make a plan for staving physically active and maintaining a healthy diet during social isolation.

Sleep Hygiene:

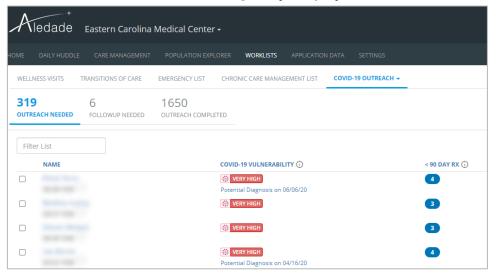
Encourage patients to get sufficient sleep and to practice healthy habits to avoid insomnia

Resources: https://www.aledade.com/covid-

Pandemic learnings for Accountable Care



- ACO infrastructure proved valuable for practice resiliency and patient outreach
 - Rapid implementation of telehealth
 - Support for PPE acquisition and accessing financial relief
 - Proactive outreach to vulnerable patients (>130,000 patients with increased COVID vulnerability reached in 1st 6 weeks)
- Acceleration of virtual care
 - Telehealth becomes an asset for comprehensive medication management
- Greater awareness of the urgency of payment reform to solidify primary care infrastructure





Opportunities to do Better: Medication Adherence



Scope of the Problem

- 50% of medications for chronic diseases are not taken as prescribed.
- 20-30% of medications prescribed are never filled.
- Medication non-adherence accounts for 10% of total hospital admissions

Aligned Incentives under Value-Based Payment Models

- Consistent medication adherence yields total cost of care savings through reduced hospitalizations and ED visits
 - Medication adherence associated with \$5K-8K lower annual total healthcare costs for Medicare patients with DM, HTN, CHF
- Medicare Advantage STARS Rating heavily influenced by performance on 3 medication adherence measures

Size of the Opportunity

 18% of Aledade-attributed patients have an identified major medication adherence concern (PDC <0.8 for HTN, DM, or Cholesterol medication)

Opportunities to do Better: High Value Prescribing





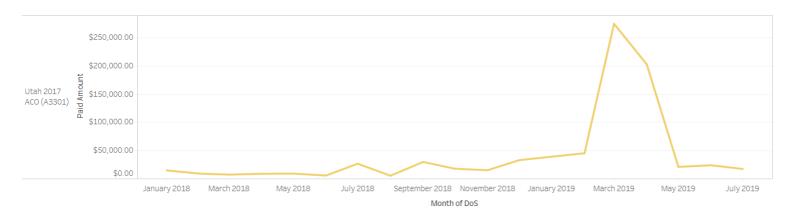
- In our commercial VBC contracts, Rx accounts for ~25% of total costs of care
- Our annual Rx
 spending for drugs
 with lower cost,
 therapeutically
 equivalent
 alternatives exceeds
 \$54.6M
- Brand->generic opportunities alone exceed \$3.8M

Opportunities to do Better: Genomics??



- From an ACO lens, this looks like the wild west
- Substantial unexplained variation in the use of genetic testing
 - Over time
 - Across geographies
 - Among providers in the same geography
- Absence of clear, reliable, unbiased, evidence-based best practice guidance

For example: Medicare spending for genetic testing in Utah ACO













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