Show Me The Evidence! Librarian-Supported Collaborative Work Groups for Healthcare Improvement



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BACKGROUND

- Established in 2011 by the
 Washington State Legislature to give
 our community the opportunity to
 improve health care quality,
 outcomes, and affordability in
 Washington State.
- Identify three health care services with high variation in care delivery, high cost and poor outcomes, or patient safety issues annually.
- Focused on creating bundled
 payment models to tie payment to
 an entire episode of care including
 potential complications resulting
 from poor care.
- Form multidisciplinary, expert workgroups with clinicians, health plans, quality improvement experts, community groups, patients, and others.

WA House Bill 1311
established the Dr.
Robert Bree
Collaborative (2011)

Governor appoints
members: Employers,
Hospitals, Health Plans,
Public Purchasers,
Physicians, Ql

Identify need to tie
health care payment
to value – goal to
develop bundled
payment models

Four-cycle evidencebased care pathway model, bundled payment model, and warranty Physician-Librarian partnership for comprehensive evidence research and first level appraisal; publish evidence table

Convene expert
workgroup of
clinicians, surgeons,
purchasers, patients,
and quality experts

Public comment to evaluate and adjust evidence selection and appraisal, and bundle model elements

Adoption by Bree Collaborative members

Approval by WA Health
Care Authority and
inclusion for state
purchasing standards

Healthier patients

Better care outcomes

More affordable health care

What is a Bundled Payment?

Bundled payment models make one payment for an entire health care service or episode, like a knee replacement. All the separate parts of the service – including pre-operative and post-operative care – are included.

OUTCOMES and BENEFITS

- Four-cycle bundled payment model, quality metrics, and a warranty includes:
 - Appropriateness standards to make sure surgery is actually needed and that patients are fit for surgery.
 - Best practice recommendations for conservative care and surgeries.
 - Post-operative care and return to function.
 - Warranty against readmission for specific complications
- o Adopted Bundles:
 - Total Knee and Total Hip Replacement
 - Lumbar Fusion Surgery
 - o Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery
 - o Bariatric Surgery (in public comment stage)