

DeKalb County Community Healthcare Connections Minutes

Meeting Name	Location		Minutes Taken By	
DeKalb County Community	DeKalb Medical Center, Auditorium		Jessica Knopf	
Date	Facilitator	Leaders	Actual Start Time	Actual End Time
10/21/2014	Jenifer Hodge	Sonya Green	2:00 p.m.	3:30 pm
<p><i>Meeting Purpose/Objective:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Improve communication and patient care across the continuum ✓ Assist all facilities in meeting goals for Medicare quality improvement measures ✓ Discuss and implement efforts to increase communication between providers and settings ✓ Recognize current work and reward creative thinking. 				
Team Members Present				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Getting Started/Discussion				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting objectives reviewed 2. Ground rules established: (1) Silence cell phones; (2) One person talking at a time; (3) Start and end on time (4) Maintain confidentiality – keep “not wonderful” things about other providers to yourself 3. Icebreaker: A short exercise that provided participants to get to know each other better was conducted. 4. QIO Update: GMCF, the Georgia and North Carolina QIO will be working on a number of CMS quality initiatives over the next 5 years including: Improving Care Coordination 5. Why DeKalb County? DeKalb Medical Center hospitals have an interest in improving care transitions and in partnering with members of the community to improve care. Additionally, the population density of Medicare beneficiaries makes this a community where improvement will have statewide impact. 				
SNF/ Hospital Problem List				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following issues were revealed by discussion and review of the chart audits participants completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The patient is sometimes sent before receiving pain medication, making for a difficult ride and a long wait time before they can receive medication at the SNF - Altered mental status and fever are two reasons residents are frequently sent back to the hospital. - SNFs find that they need a more accurate depiction of the patient in the hospital - It is difficult to receive residents sent during shift change - Families may insist on hospitalization - Results for urinalysis are not immediately available - Sometimes you simply do not have all the information you need and transition nurses are calling to get this information 				
Priorities				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Data</u>. In order to do this work and to quantify the time everyone is spending on reducing readmissions, we must have data. Please bring your data to each meeting. 2. <u>Bring others to the next meeting</u>. 				
ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oakhurst - NHs not present - LTAC - Grady Clinic - Walgreens pharmacy at DeKalb - AAA - VNA home Health 				

NEXT MEETING		
12/11 2-3:30 pm. Keeton Auditorium, Main Hospital DeKalb Medical Center		
NEXT STEPS		
Party Responsible	Activity	Due Date
Sonya	Contact Grady and indigent care clinics as well (Oakhurst?) Susan Breslin-sharing of MD portal with NH providers Invite Walgreens pharmacy Invite LTAC	Prior to 12/11/14
Jennifer	Invite VNA to next meeting, AAA	Prior to 12/11/14
Each member facility	Bring readmission data relating solely to DeKalb Medical Center and DeKalb Hillandale. Utilize INTERACT's QI tool and QI summary tool for this. Be prepared to discuss.	Prior to 12/11/14

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