Care Companion program

Working together with patients, providers, and payors to optimize senior health



Goals Improve health and well-being, decrease cost of care

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Reduce unnecessary care episodes 2

Smooth transitions of care

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Eliminate harmful medications 4

Close quality gaps

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Optimize HCC coding

Services

Information & guidance

Medication reconciliation and optimization

Point of care testing

Point of care screening

Wellness visits

Information & guidance

- Welcome packet geared to the most important senior care issues
- Refrigerator magnet to avoid confusion of who to call when there's a question or problem
- Regular phone calls to assess stability
- 24/7 phone availability



Medication reconciliation and optimization



Preadmission
medications compared
to discharge regimen,
with particular attention
to high-risk medications

Patient symptom - medication side effect analysis

Adherence advice

Point of care testing

Fingerstick Bone density HbA1C AF screening glucose Pulse INR Lipid profile Retinal scan oximetry Stool occult Urine Spirometry blood microalbumin

Point of care screening

Advance directives

Cognition

Depression

Falls risk

Health events & symptom assessment

Health events

Which have happened to you since your last visit (existing patient) or in the past year (new patient)?

- Called your PCP office
- Called a specialist office
- Car accident
- Death of spouse
- Death of other close relative
- Death of a friend
- Death of a pet
- ER visit
- Fall
- Hospital stay
- Moved
- New device (cane, walker, wheelchair)

- New non-prescription med or supplement
- New prescription medication
- Outpatient rehab
- PCP visit
- Rehab stay
- Specialist visit
- Stopped driving
- Stopped a medication on your own
- Surgery elective
- Surgery emergency
- Test done (blood, xray)
- Urgent care visit

Symptoms

Not a problem?
Somewhat a problem?
Significant problem?
Intolerable?

- Anxiety/stress
- Caring for someone else
- Chest pain or pressure
- Constipation
- Difficulty walking
- Dizziness
- Fear of death
- Fear of disability or being a burden
- Fear of falling
- Indigestion/nausea
- Loneliness /boredom
- Low energy
- Low mood

- Managing your health problems
- Managing your medications
- Memory loss
- Overall health /quality of life
- Pain
- Poor appetite
- Poor sleep
- Sex life
- Shortness of breath
- Unintentional weight loss
- Unsteadiness
- Urine leakage /incontinence
- Worries/regrets

Encourage patient to see their PCP for the annual Medicare wellness visit

Wellness visit If preferred, SSM provider does visit in patient's home or at our office

Approach

High-Touch

A real person calls or we go to the patient's home (unless a visit to our office is preferred).

High-Tech

Use state-of-the-art technology to obtain accurate test results and track patient data.

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