

# **High Utilizer Program**



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### **Program Goals**

- Identify and begin implementing processes to intervene with patients who are identified as high utilizers of the ESD and provide appropriate resources
- Focus on long-term community interventions to decrease unnecessary visits to the ESD

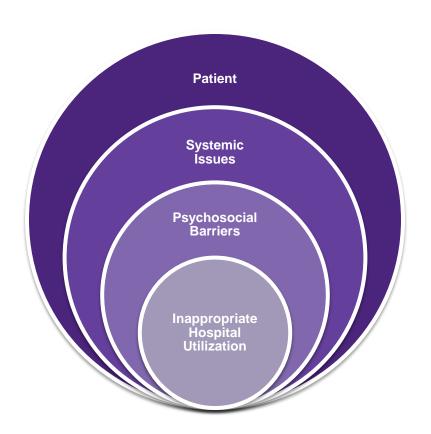
### **High Utilizer Definition**

 A high utilizer complex case can be identified as a patient who has greater than 10 emergency room encounters in 30 days for non-emergent needs





- High Utilizer Complex Case Committee
- Complex Care Flag
- Post-Acute Follow-Up
- Community Coordination





# Program Tools High Utilizer – Complex Case Committee

#### Members

- Care Management/Post-Acute Services
- Community Oriented Primary Care (COPC)
- Dallas County Hospital Police Department
- ESD Nursing
- ESD Physicians
- Ethics
- Institutional Risk Management
- Legal Affairs
- Psychiatry
- Parkland Financial Services
- Homeless Outreach Medical Services (HOMES)
- Bimonthly discussion of patient and system barriers resulting in creation of innovative interventions to create positive patient and system outcomes



# **Program Tools Complex Care Flag**

- The complex care flag has been created to ensure that the patients using the ESD/UCC at high volumes for nonemergent needs are flagged
- Real-time, standardized, interventions across disciplines

Fall Risk		
All Patient Flags		
Flag Type	Author	Status
Fall Risk		Active
Fall Risk		
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Complex Care Plan

This plan is to help ensure that this patient, who has been flagged as complex due to High ESD utilization, receives a unified approach to care by all providers:

Physician: No specific intervention at this time

Nursing: No specific intervention at this time

Social Work: Re-direct patient's non-emergent psychosocial needs to Amelia Court HIV CM team.

Background Information: The patient is chronically homeless. The HIV CM team is working with Alexis of ASD for long-term housing at the Hillcrest House (ASD). referred to the Peer Recovery Navigator team to address his chronic alcohol abuse.

# Program Tools Post-Acute Care Coordination

### **Post-Acute Follow-Up**

- Face-to-face visits with patients who have transitioned to the community
- Warm handoff to partner community agencies

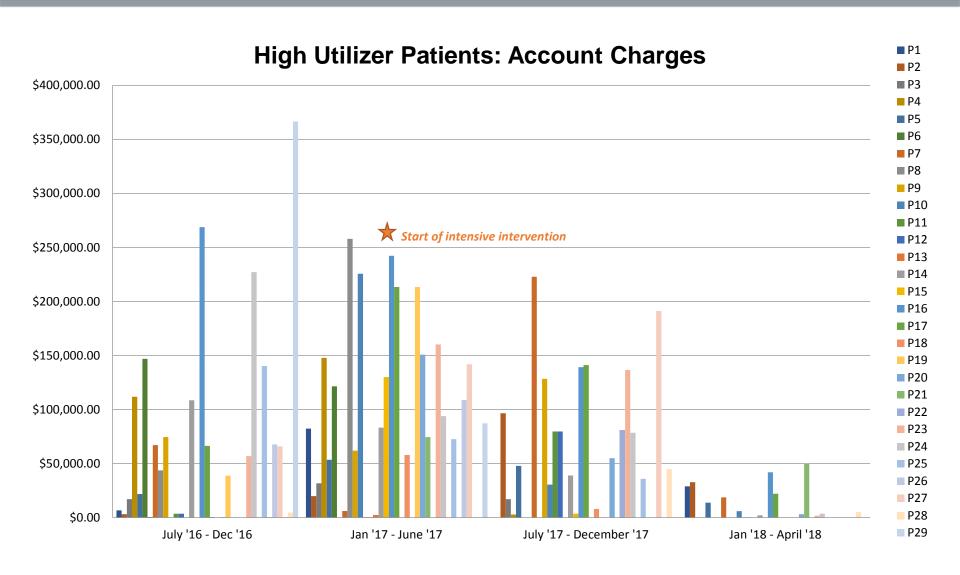
### **Community Collaboration**

- Participation in community coalitions
- Relationship building and coordination with post-acute providers
- Goal is to provide uniform care at each portal of service access





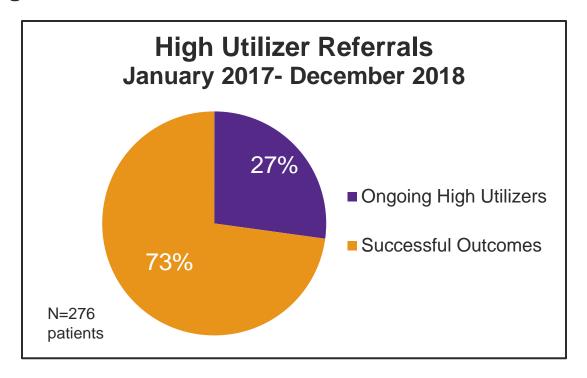






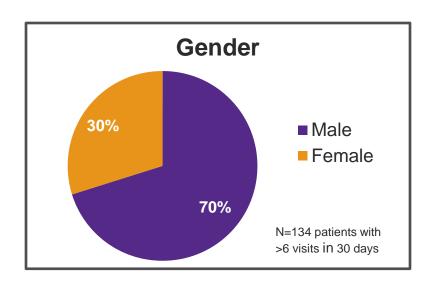
# **Overall Program Success**

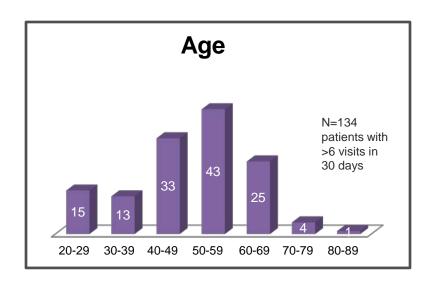
- Total high utilizer referrals: 276
- Successful outcomes: 201
  - Patients with decreased utilization and successfully transitioned to the community for services to address psychosocial needs
- Ongoing referrals: 75



# **Changing How We Look At Data**

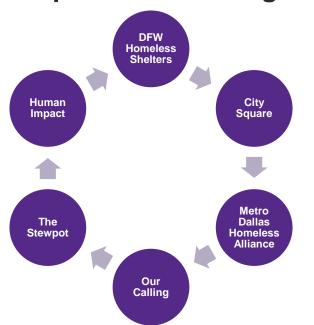
- Data excludes those whose primary presentation is for dialysis or psychiatric concerns
- High utilizer definition changed to those with 6 or more ED visits within last 30 days
- Analysis of high utilizer demographic data

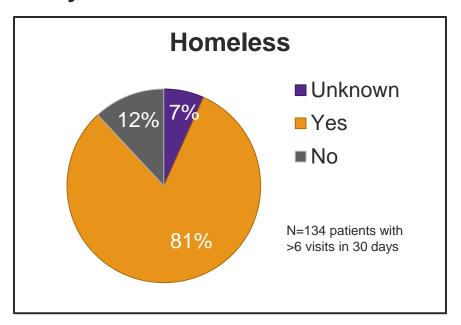






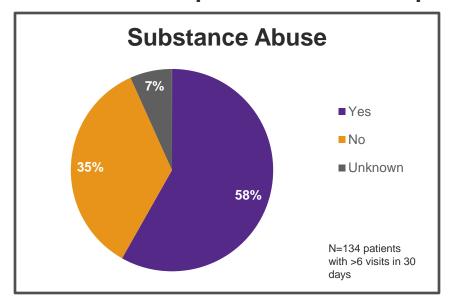
- Lead bi-monthly huddles with care management staff interacting with high utilizers (ESD Homeless Social Workers, HOMES SW's, Lobby SW, Peer Recovery Navigators)
- Collaborate with community partners to determine if patient is utilizing community resources

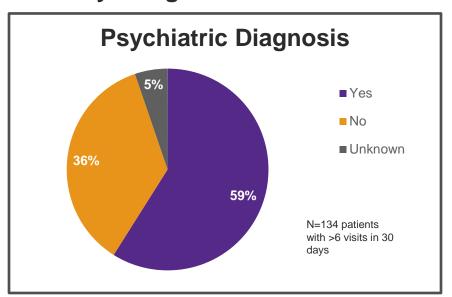




# **Psychiatric and Substance Abuse**

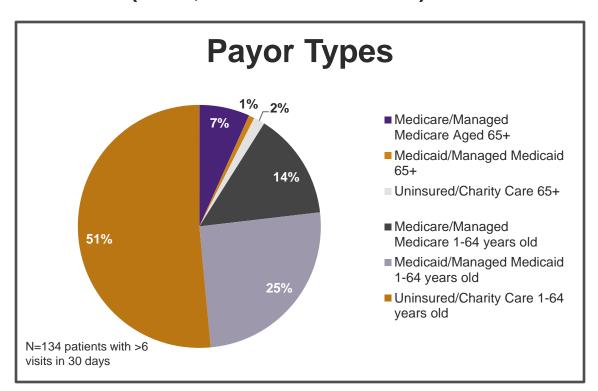
- Collaboration with psychiatric ESD and Mobile Crisis Outreach Team
- Coordination with community partners to determine patient utilization of community services
  - North Texas Behavioral Health Authority (NTBHA)
  - Metrocare
  - Substance abuse rehabilitation centers
- Referrals placed to Parkland peer recovery navigators





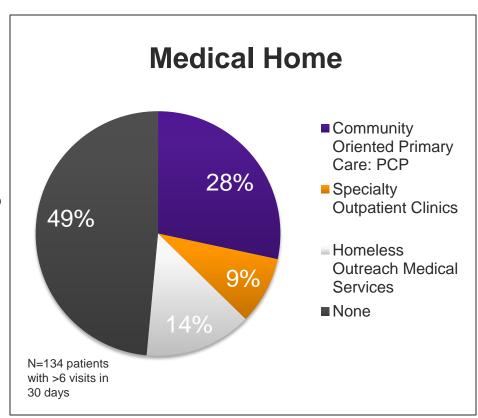


- Connecting those with Medicaid to their insurance case manager
- Refer patient to Parkland Financial Services to screen for eligible benefits (SSDI, Medicaid/Medicaid)





- For those identified as connected with medical home in COPCs, refer to Value Based Care
- For those identified with medical home in specialty outpatient clinic, connect with clinic SW
- For those who utilize HOMES clinic, refer to Social Workers on mobile unit
- Peer Navigators attempt to engage patients in the community at shelter of origin
- For those identified with no medical home
  - Acute Response Clinic
  - Referrals to COPC
  - Partnership with City Square/Baylor Community PCP Clinic





# Success Story – Ms. R

#### **Medical/Psychiatric History**

- 54 year old female
- Squamous cell carcinoma (in remission)
- Fibromyalgia
- Hypertension
- Bipolar disorder

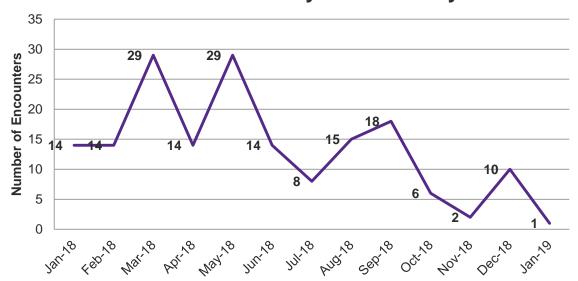
#### **Psychosocial Barriers**

- Homeless
- Lack of social support
- Uninsured with no income
- Non-compliant with social work referrals
- Frequent lobby utilizer

#### Intervention

- Care coordination across departments (main ESD; psychiatric ESD; care management/post-acute services)
- Referred and connected to Parkland COPC and established care with COPC social worker via Value-Based Care program
- Secondary gain reduced via split flow process in ESD
- Faith Health Initiative referral placed
- Secured a permanent placement for the patient at the Salvation Army homeless shelter
- Referred and connected with City Square case manager
- Referred to PFS for assistance with SSDI filing

#### **ESD Encounters January 2018-January 2019**



#### **Patient Outcome**

- Patient established connections with multiple social service agencies in community and is obtaining assistance with permanent housing options
- Patient continues to utilize COPC clinic for medical needs and has continued engagement with COPC social worker via Value Based Care referral



# Success Story - Mr. W

#### **Medical/Psychiatric History**

- 47 year old male
- Arthritis
- Schizophrenia

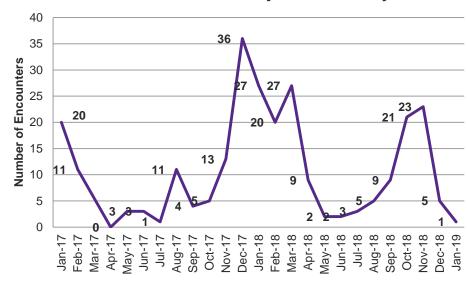
#### **Psychosocial Barriers**

- Greater than 2 year utilizer of ESD services
- Chronically homeless after relocating from Massachusetts
- Inability to identify/locate next of kin
- · Capacity concerns
- · Loss of funding and income

#### Intervention

- Care coordination across departments (main ESD; psychiatric ESD; care management/post-acute team) during each encounter
- Multiple attempts to engage patient with Salvation Army
- Referred to PFS for social security disability application assistance
- Parkland neurocognitive clinic referral secured and testing subsequently was conducted, resulting in a determination that patient does not have capacity

#### **ESD Encounters January 2017-January 2019**



#### **Patient Outcome**

- · Patient placed in a long-term care facility as SSI-pending
- Next of kin located and patient connected with family in Massachusetts
- Post-acute social worker continues to attempt family reunification while SSDI determination is pending



- Transient nature of patient population
- Access to community resources
  - Affordable housing
  - Lack of emergency shelter beds
  - Mental health resources







### Further explore:

- Social determinants of health
- Socially driven vs medically driven ESD encounters
- Inpatient admissions, readmissions, and medical complexity of those identified as high utilizers
- Redefining successful outcomes
- Continued collaboration with DFW community partners





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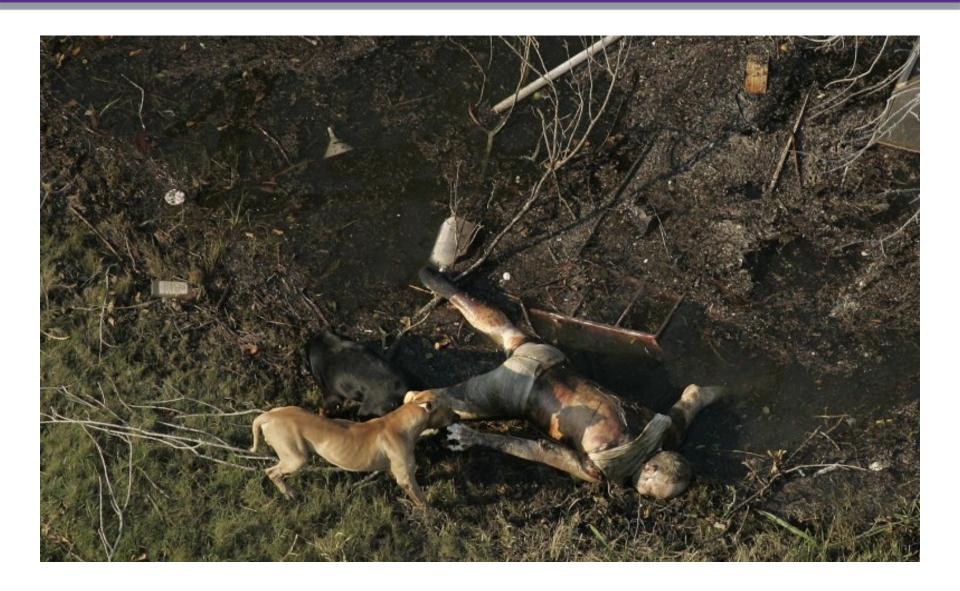




















## **Creating A Village, Finding Our Mojo**

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**February 26, 2019** 



# This is how the story begins ...

- ➤ Sep 2015 Minimum Payment Amounts Program (MPAP)
- ➤ Sep 2015 Complex Cases
- ➤ Dec 2016 Outpatient Clinics
- ➤ Jan 2017 High Utilizer Program
- ➤ Apr 2017 Nursing Home Expansion





# Minimum Payment Amounts Program (MPAP)

- Minimum Payments Amounts Program (MPAP) is a program which will provide a supplemental payment to eligible Nursing Facilities (NFs)
- Encourage linkages between hospitals and NFs to enable better continuity of care as recipients move between hospitals and NFs
- If approved, non-state government-owned nursing facilities could receive supplemental payments
  - Payments based on the difference between the amount paid through fee-for-service Medicaid and the amount Medicare would have paid for those same services
- A non-state government-owned entity is defined as a:
  - Hospital authority
  - Hospital district
  - Health district, city or county
- Program started March 2015
- Transitioned to QIPP in September 2017











# Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP)

- QIPP is designed to <u>incentivize</u> nursing facilities to <u>improve</u> <u>quality and</u> <u>innovation</u> in the provision of nursing facility services, using the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) five-star rating system as its measure of success
- QIPP started September 1, 2017







# **Nursing Home Partnerships**









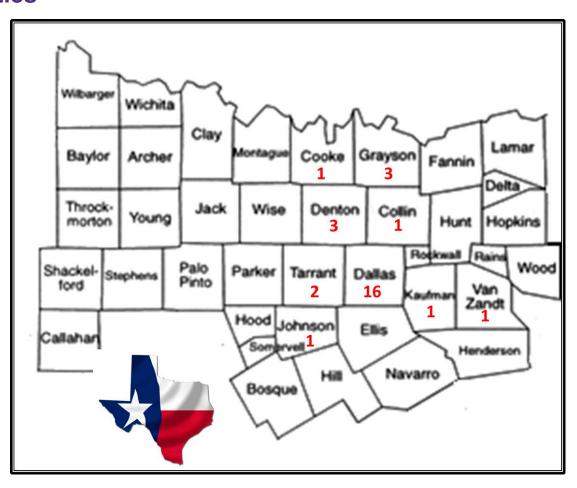




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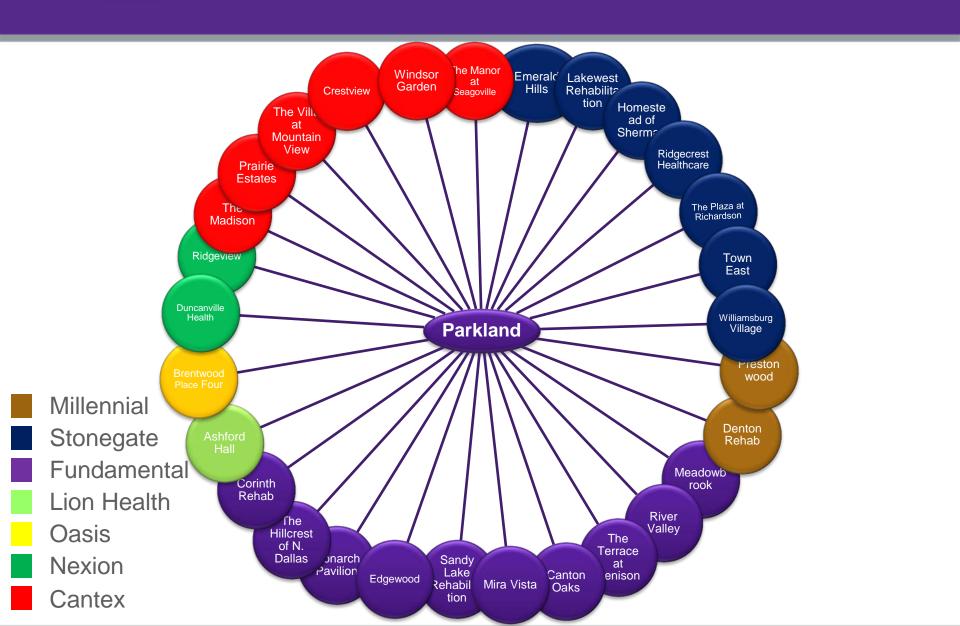


#### **Nine Counties**





# **Nursing Home Facilities**







### **Site Visits**

- Conducted monthly
- Observe resident care and physical plant maintenance
- Collect other pertinent facility information:
  - □ Indigent care admissions, return-to-acute (RTA) readmission rates, staffing concerns, grievances, regulatory visits and quality reports



# **Nursing Home Action Plans**

- > Required monthly
- Address quality measures that are above State and/or Federal percentages

# **Support**

- Complaint & Investigation Surveys
- Grievances
- Minimum Data Set (MDS)
- > Infection Prevention
- Life Safety Code
- Quality Assurance Performance Improvement (QAPI)
- Educational Resources (Quarterly Nursing Home Sessions)



# Hospital Oversight Performance Improvement Topics

## **Quarterly Nursing Home Sessions**

January 2017	April 2017	July 2017	October 2017
Executive Rounds Marilyn Callies SVP, Transitional/Post- Acute Services  Sanction Screening Andrea Claire Internal Audit Manager  Physician Services Thomas Glodek, MD Physician Advisor  Patient Relations Miranda Bonds Director, Patient Relations  Partnerships in the Healthcare Community Lara Cline, RN, MSN, FNP Cantex CCN	Cost Report Preparation Keri Disney-Story Director, Charge & Reimbursement Integrity  QAPI Beverly Hardy-Decuir VP, Quality & Clinical Effectiveness  Life Safety Code Michael Radar Fire Marshal  Infection Prevention Shannon Simmons Infection Preventionist  QIPP Eddie Parades SVP	Disaster Management Chris Noah, Director, Disaster Mgt  OPAT Aurelia Schmalstieg, MD  Customer Svc &Patient Relations Miranda Bonds Director, Patient Relations  Telemedicine Meera Riner COO Nexion Health	Leadership Paul Rumsey, Chief Learning Officer  Social Services Marcy Floyd LMSW, Manager Post-Acute  Regulatory Requirements for LTC Suzanna Sulfstede Director of LTC Ombusdman Care Senior Source



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Quality Measures Joshua Cartwright, CQIA, CPHQ Healthcare Quality Improvement Specialist V TMF Health Quality Institute	April 2019	July 2019	October 2019



## **Indigent Care Program Statistics**

**Total** 

4

48

1

15

166

68

38

6

22

12

4

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Tarkianu	April 2015 – August 2018
15,605 Hos	pital Bed Days Saved

Tarkianu	April 2015 – August 2018

391 Patients Placed

**Description** 

**Long Term Placements (Total 52)** 

Undocumented, abandoned by family

**SSI Pending** 

**Short Term, Non-Skilled Placements (Total 1)** 

**Hospice Services** 

**Short Term, Skilled Placements (Total 282)** 

Rehabilitation

Unable to care for self post discharge

**IV Antibiotic Therapy** 

Drug abuse

Homeless

Special administration requirements

Non-compliance

Inability to self-administer

Complicated wounds

Clinitron Bed

Specialized wound care Wound V.A.C.



## **Initial Impressions from Community Stakeholders**

#### Strategic Plan: 2017

- Created in 2016
- Strategic Priority #2: Implement a new "Parkland Culture" that engages all who serve here

#### **Interview from November 2016**

- Black hole
- Inaccessible to community
- Poor telephonic communications
- Free care for patients
- Untouchable
- Discharge medically unstable patients
- Don't speak the same language





#### **Creation of the Parkland Post-Acute Network (PPN)**





## Parkland Post-Acute Network Mission

To develop a care coordination model that successfully transitions complex case patients with chronic social, medical, and/or mental health conditions through a collaborative post-acute care network



## Parkland Post-Acute Network Goals

#### **Parkland**

Reduce readmissions, length of stay, and wasted resources

#### **Community Stakeholders**

Improve the service delivery model between the hospital, post-acute providers and community

#### Home

Improve patient outcomes across the continuum of care

# a goal without a plan is just C VISO - Antoine de Saint Exupéry

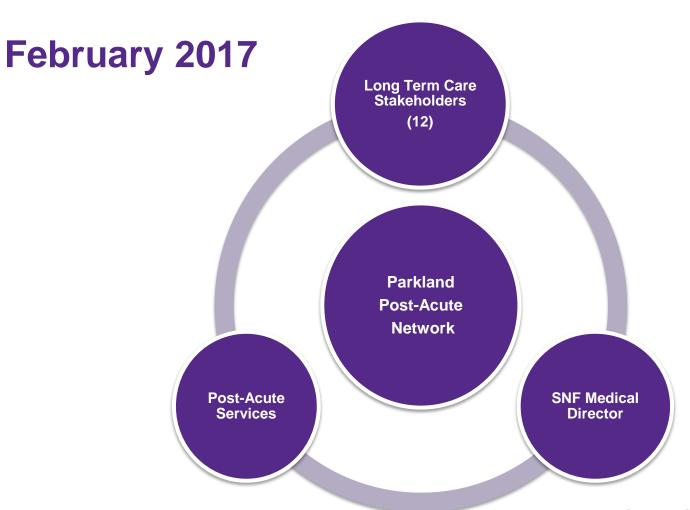














Care Coordination Model





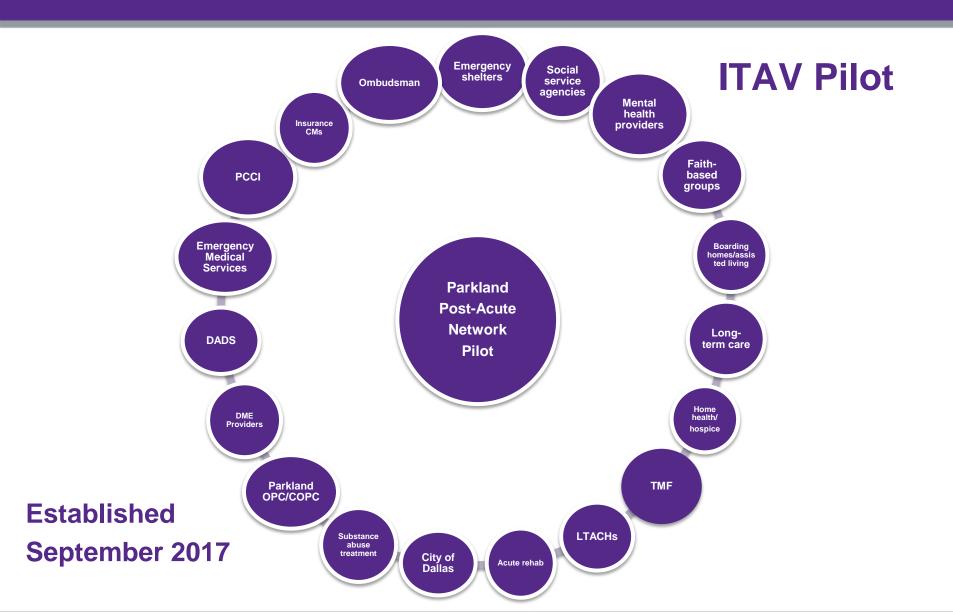


#### **Care Coordination Model**

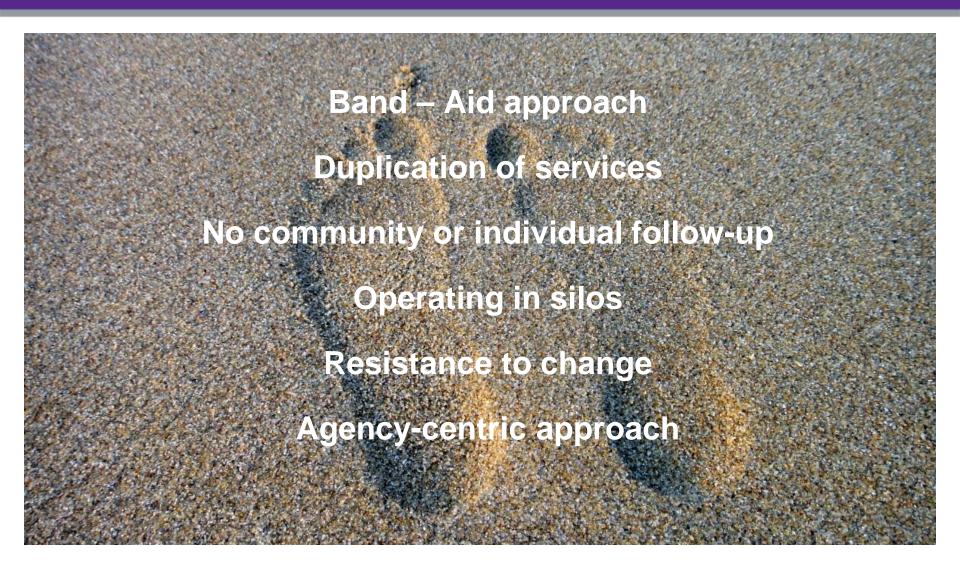




#### Where Do We Start?

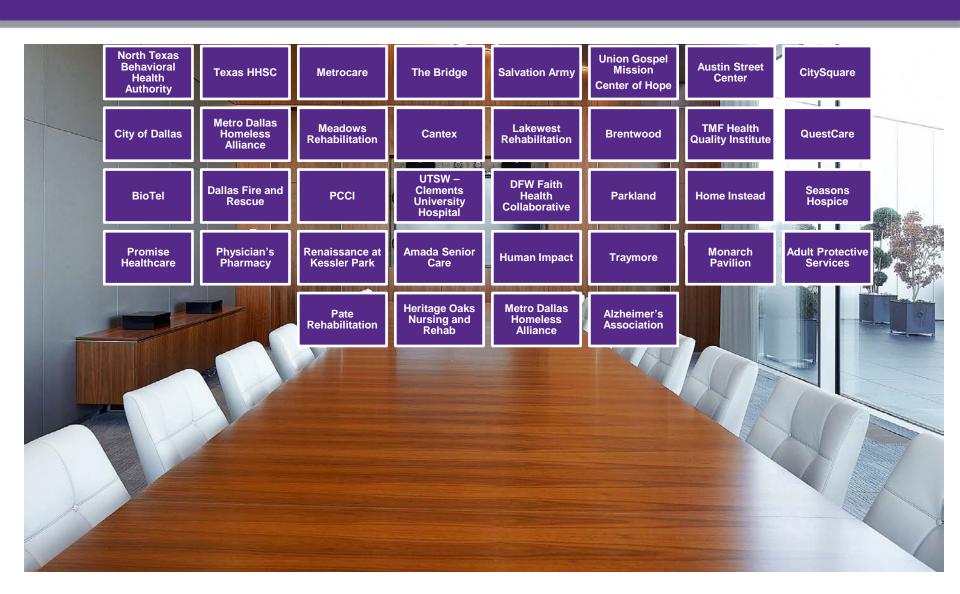


### **Initial Impressions of Village Partners**





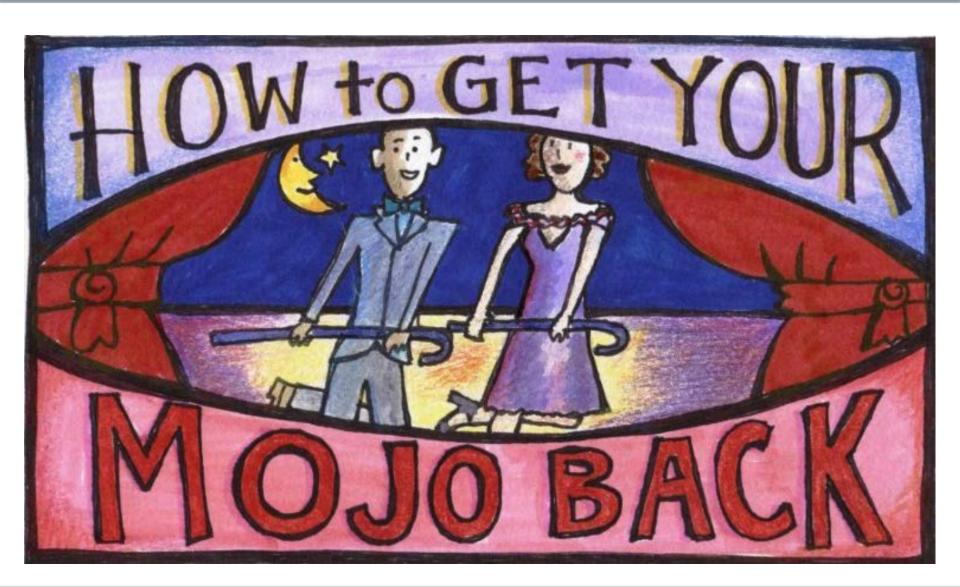
#### **Bargaining Table**





#### So where do we go from here?









## Reconnect With Our Village It's <u>not</u> a race, it's a journey!

Accept that the village starts with YOU

Remain open to new ideas and uncommon approaches

Understand our past failures without repeating them - "The shortcut is the long cut"

**Resist a Band-Aid approach** 

Understand the root cause - Know the 5 WHYs

Engage in self-reflection... be a part of the solution, not the problem

Create, implement, evaluate, and re-evaluate the plan of movement

Expect the family to resume their roles and responsibilities then inspect that it happens

Be prepared ... Understand the value of our households

Engage and rely on our village

Be relentless and supportive

**Celebrate our successes!** 



## Thank you!



