



## Tackling Behavioral Health Provider Shortages:

Health Plan Strategies From Access To Engagement

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#### **Objectives**



1. Discuss Where Access Challenges
Are The Greatest



2. Investigate Strategies To Address Provider Shortages To Mitigate Access Challenges



3. Explore Potential Best Practices: Access & Consumer Engagement



#### **Audience Polling Question #1**

We'd like to learn which types of organizations are represented on the line today. Which of the following best describes your organization?

- A. Provider
- B. Payer
- C. Government
- D. Other



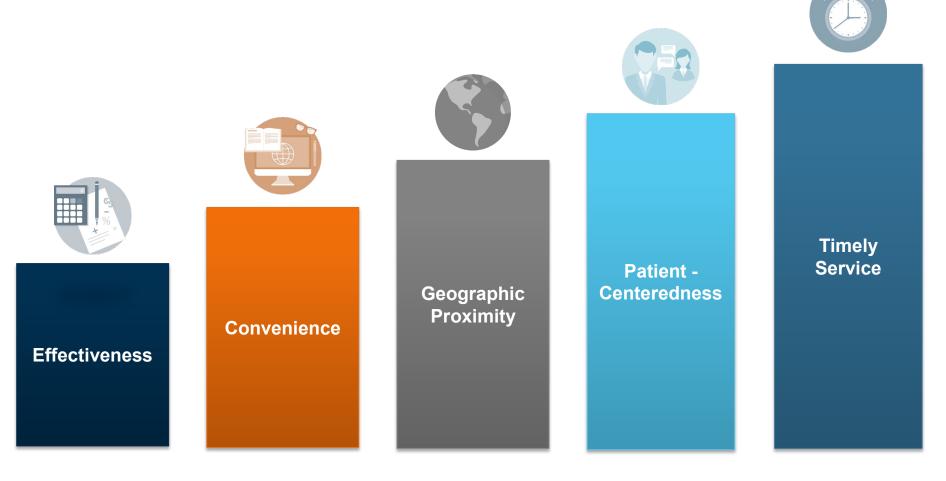


# Monitoring & Evaluating Access & Availability



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#### Pillars Of Access & Availability<sup>1</sup>



1. National Council. (2017). The psychiatric shortage: Causes and solutions. National Council Medical Director Institute. Retrieved from www.thenationalcouncil.org



#### Methods To Measuring Access & Availability<sup>1</sup>

Structural



Utilization



Density



Distance



Time To Appointment



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## **Current Industry Challenges**



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#### **Current Challenges**



#### Psychiatric Bed Supply<sup>1</sup>

- At 29.8 beds per 100,000 compared to an estimated need of 40-60 beds per 100,000
- Distribution of beds by state and type (private v. public pay) create gaps in some markets



#### National Psychiatry Shortage<sup>1</sup>

- The Health Resources and Services Administration recommends 1 psychiatrist per 30,000
- Heightened shortages in child and adolescent specialists



#### **Movement Toward Self-pay<sup>2</sup>**

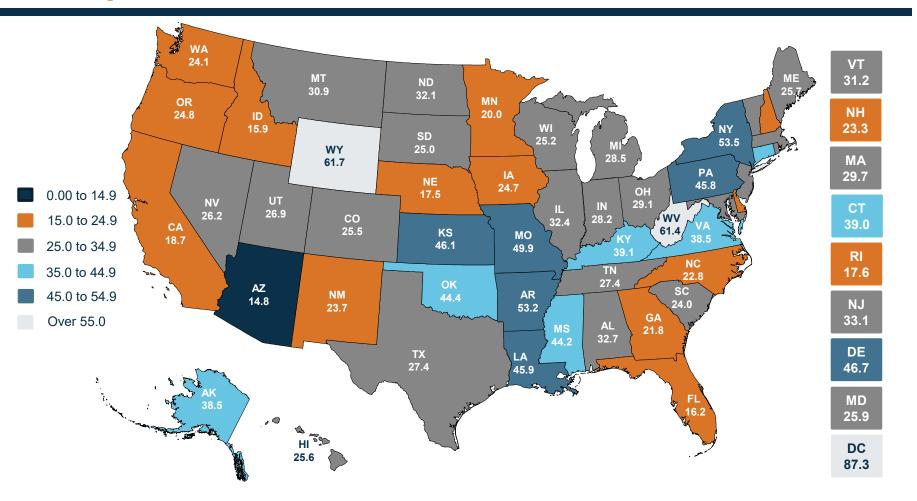
 Increasing movement of psychiatrists and more recently non-psychiatrists to self-pay only approach.



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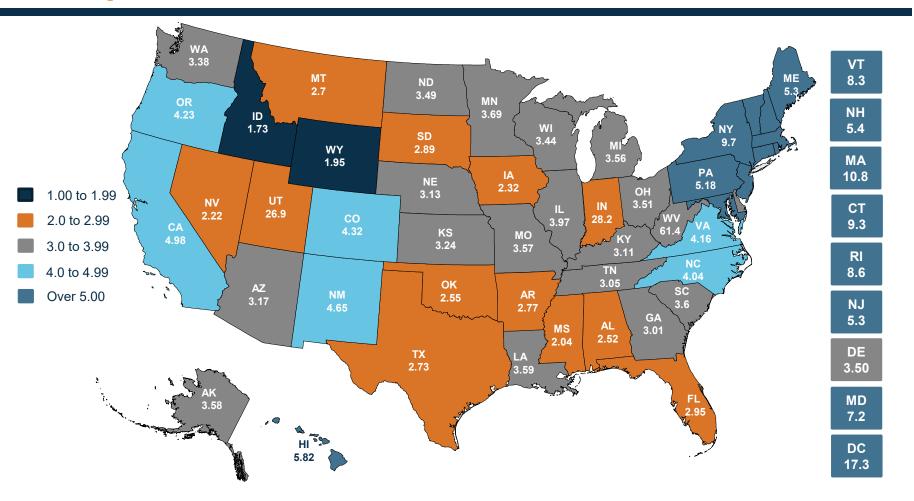
## Number Of Psychiatric Beds Per 100,000 Population<sup>1</sup>



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## Number Of Psychiatrists Per 30,000 Population<sup>1</sup>



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#### Challenges By The Numbers<sup>1</sup>

Closure of psychiatric units due to low rates1 **Bed Supply** Challenging to hire inpatient psychiatric attendings<sup>1</sup> Average age of psychiatrist is 58<sup>3</sup> **Psychiatr** • 10% decline from 2003-2013 of psychiatrists working in public sector<sup>2</sup> 40% of the psychiatry workforce practice in cash-only private practices<sup>2</sup> **Self-Pay**  Growing number of other allied behavioral **Practices** health specialists migrating to self-pay in urban areas<sup>2</sup>

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- 2. National Council. (2017). The psychiatric shortage: Causes and solutions. National Council Medical Director Institute. Retrieved from www.thenationalcouncil.org
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#### **Audience Polling Question #2**

In your current practice environment, which is the greatest challenge?

- A. Ability to refer to a psychiatrist
- B. Ability to admit to a psychiatric inpatient bed
- C. Recruit psychiatrists
- D. Finding a psychiatrist that will take insurance
- E. None of the above





# Solving The Psychiatric Access Challenge



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#### **Solutions In Tackling Access Challenges:**

#### Psychiatric Beds<sup>1</sup>

Encourage
Partnerships &
Stake Holders: Fund
New Approaches

Monitor Practices, Collect Data, & Standardize Terminology

Remove Barriers

Pinals, D. A., Fuller, D. A. (2017). Beyond beds: The vital role of the full continuum of psychiatric care. The National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems, 2017 Annual Survey. Retrieved from: http://www.treatmentadvocacycenter.org



## Solutions In Tackling Access Challenges: Care Delivery<sup>1</sup>



#### **Advanced Practice Providers**

- Nurses with prescriptive authority
- Prescribing psychologists where state regulations allow
- Physician Assistants with Psychiatric Certification
- Board Certified Psychiatric Pharmacists



#### **Telemental Health**

Using HIPAA-secure technology to offer virtual psychiatric services within state regulatory confines

HIPAA = Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

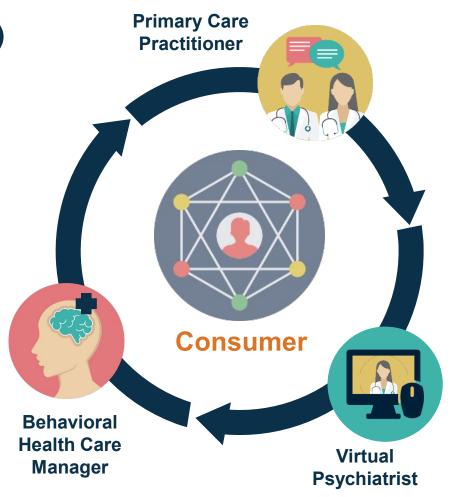
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## **Solutions In Tackling Access Challenges:** Collaborative Care Model (CoCM)<sup>1</sup>

#### **Collaborative Care Model (CoCM)**

- Rewards PCP and multidisciplinary treatment team to screen for anxiety and depression
- Virtual psychiatrist provides consultation to PCP
- Embedded Care Manager coordinates care and updates data registry



CoCM = Collaborative Care Model PCP = Primary Care Practitioner



University of Washington AIMS Center. (n.d.). Collaborative care. Retrieved from: https://aims.uw.edu/collaborative-care

#### Telehealth & Telepsychiatry: Key Facts



- The global telehealth market is estimated at \$18.2 billion in 2016 – expected to reach \$38 billion by 2022<sup>1</sup>
- 70.5% of hospitals and health systems currently use a telemedicine service – up 54% since 2014<sup>1</sup>
- 49% of physician practices currently use a telemedicine service<sup>1</sup>
- About 15 million Americans received some medical care in 2016 via telehealth<sup>1</sup>
- Increases productivity by eliminating travel time for the providers and increase convenience for the consumer<sup>2</sup>

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Chamberlain, M. (2017). Telehealth best practices: How to build a successful, sustainable program. Retrieved from: https://s11042.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/indres/110717Telehealth.pdf

## Solutions In Tackling Access Challenges: Self-Pay Only Practices<sup>1</sup>



- Increasing reimbursement rates
- Use alternative reimbursement models
- Offer other financial and nonfinancial perks
- Reimburse for PCP consultation and telehealth at an equal or higher rate

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#### **Audience Polling Question #3**

Which strategy has your organization employed to tackle psychiatric access challenges?

- A. Hired allied behavioral health prescribers
- B. Raise reimbursement to attract psychiatrists
- C. Launched telehealth programs
- D. Implemented Collaborative Care Models
- E. None of the above





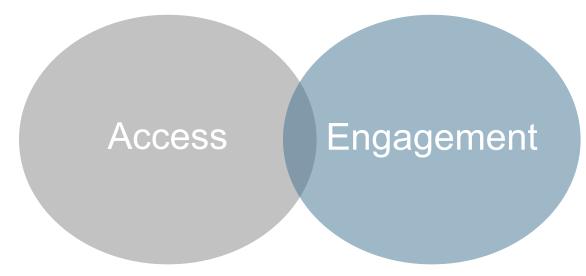
The Link
Between Access
& Engagement



## How Does Access Impact Consumer Engagement & Outcomes<sup>1</sup>



 The longer the wait time for a first appointment, the more likely the consumer will fail to keep the appointment.



 Gallucci, G., Swartz, W., & Hackerman, F. (2005). Impact of the wait for an initial appointment on the rate of kept appointments at the mental health center. Psychiatric Services, 56, 344-346.





# Potential Best Practice Examples

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#### **Consumer Engagement**



- Timeliness of appointments Waiting too long decreases compliance and follow up
- Match geographic location with consumer
- Consumer reminders
- Increase consumer choice in times when possible
- Use Telehealth such as phone therapy, video conferencing when desired by consumer and charge for it
- Telehealth modalities may be used in addition to in-person treatment to expand access and improve compliance



Information based upon presenter's experience

#### **Consumer Engagement (Continued)**



- Provide short visit walk-in appointments when possible
- Early morning or late afternoon/evening appointments for people who work or single parents with children
- Develop relationships with primary care providers including ob/gyn providers to improve quality of referrals and to improve compliance with referrals

Information based upon presenter's experience



#### **Consumer Engagement (Continued)**



- Coordinate care with same primary care providers as outpatient consultant to develop treatment plan and recommendations for treatment
- Review alternative payment mechanisms such as bundled payments and pay for outcomes rather than procedures
- Use internet and text messaging to expand contact with consumers once engaged

Information based upon presenter's experience





### Questions



### Closing

### Access To: Trends In Behavioral Health: A Reference Guide On The U.S. Behavioral Health Financing & Delivery System

• Trends In Behavioral Health: A Reference Guide On The U.S. Behavioral Health Financing & Delivery System offers insights into how health plans have developed new population health management strategies that focus on improving consumer access to care, consumer engagement, care coordination for consumers with behavioral health conditions, and quality of care in behavioral health. The results were reviewed by the OPEN MINDS National Health Plan Survey Advisory Board.



 A free copy of the report, Trends In Behavioral Health: A Reference Guide On The U.S. Behavioral Health Financing & Delivery System, is available for download on PsychU.org. To access the report, or learn more please visit: <a href="https://www.psychu.org/trends-behavioral-health-reference-guide-u-s-behavioral-health-financing-delivery-system/">https://www.psychu.org/trends-behavioral-health-financing-delivery-system/</a>



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Program	Speakers	Date	Time
Psychiatric Illness Identification & Treatment For Mass Casualty Event Survivors & First Responders	<ul> <li>Allan Chrisman, MD         Associate Professor Emeritus at Duke University School of Medicine     </li> <li>Richard Weisler, MD         Owner of Psychiatry Practice – Weisler MD     </li> </ul>	11/15/18	12:00pmET
Beyond Molecular Biomarkers In Psychiatry: Advances In The Digital Age	<ul> <li>Rifaat El-Mallakh, MD         Professor at University of Louisville School of Medicine     </li> <li>John Luo, MD         Professor at University Of California, Riverside, and Interim Chief Medical Information Officer at UCR Health     </li> </ul>	12/5/18	12:00pmET
State Of The Union: A Critical Look At The Policy & Legislation Impacting U.S. Behavioral Health Care	<ul> <li>Nathaniel Counts         Expert member of the Forum on Promoting Children's Cognitive,         Affective, and Behavioral Health at the National Academies of Science,         Engineering, and Medicine     </li> <li>Athena Mandros, BA</li> <li>Subject Matter Expert at OPEN MINDS</li> </ul>	12/13/18	12:00pmET

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