VHI Represents all Health Care Stakeholders

- VHI is an independent, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) health information organization established in 1993
- Formed to administer Virginia Health Care Data Reporting Initiatives to benefit Virginians
VHI’s Strategic Focus

Board Governance and VHI Administration
Advance VHI’s mission through Board of Directors governance, leadership and commitment

Government Relations
Achieve positive legislative outcomes supporting VHI’s mission

Support Virginia Health Care Reform
With expertise in health care analytics and innovative use of data

Financial Viability
through health care information and services valued by consumers, business and others

Public Awareness and Communication
Increase use of available information

Benefits to Consumers

Consumer Guide to Obstetrics
- Promotes dialogue with providers based on consumer’s values and needs
- Compares doctors and hospitals on charges, quality and services provided
- Includes rates of cesarean delivery and episiotomy

Health Insurance Guide
- Primer on health insurance (HMO, PPO, explains high deductible plans) and resource listing
- Compares HMOs on cost and quality measures that are important to consumer (diabetes care, well visits, preventative care)

Cardiac Care
- Provides information on heart disease, prevention, warning signs and treatment
- Compares hospitals by how often cardiac care is provided, mortality and readmission rates
- Locates physicians providing cardiac care in your community

Outpatient Tests or Surgery
- Explores common outpatient tests and procedures: Why have it? Risks and benefits?
- Compares providers by location, experience and charges

Health Care Pricing
- Explains risk, benefits, and recovery time for 31 common procedures (hip surgery, c-ces, ER visits and MRIs)
- Compares average amounts allowed by health insurance companies depending on where procedure is performed (hospital, physician office or surgical center)

Long Term Care
- Explains types of long-term care and provides resources to compare options based on consumer’s needs
- Find and compare facilities on cost and quality ratings
- Provides links to local, statewide and national resources

Virginia Hospitals
- Helps employees choose a hospital based on their needs and location
- Service lines show how often hospitals provide general and specialty care including neurosurgery, orthopedics and other care
How VHI Information Benefits Employers

HMO Cost and Quality
- 60+ measures of HMO performance
- Compares premium information and enrollee by HMO
- Companion to Health Insurance Guide

EPICS - Efficiency and Productivity Report
- Includes 16+ rankings of hospitals, nursing facilities and surgical centers
- Understand and compare costs, charges, profits, productivity, financial viability and community support
- Helps large employers and purchasers build provider networks

VHI consumer guides on Hospitals, Cardiac Care, Obstetrics, Health Care Pricing, Long Term Care, and Outpatient reports are used by employers internally and for their employees

MONAHRQ
- Identify avoidable admissions
- Check hospital experience and costs for services
- Map areas with high use rates

Benefits to Care Providers, Health Plans, Public Health, Researchers and Policymakers

Hospital Patient Level Data
- Includes non-confidential records of all hospital stays with diagnoses, procedures, costs and outcomes of care
- Versatile tool for public reports, quality improvement, market analysis and research
- Used for many reports on rates of low birth weight, stroke, heart failure, diabetes

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- Understand and compare costs, charges, profits, productivity, financial viability and community support
- Helps care providers improve efficiency and lower costs

Annual Licensure Survey Data
- Details and summary of hospital use including MRIs, surgical rooms, specialized baby care
- Details types of transplant surgery, ER use, CT scans, open heart surgery
- Invaluable for planning, policymaking and research

Anthem’s Quality-In-Sights Hospital Incentive Program
- Rewards providers for better quality of care (Hospital Incentive Program)
- VHI provides independent evaluation of hospital quality and safety measures for Anthem
- Web-based tool for collection and evaluation of information about hospital performance
- Operating in 31 states with VHI support
Funding Diversity Reflects Broad Use By Stakeholders to Benefit Consumers

In 1993 General Funds Represented 100% of VHI funding and reduced to only 11% in FY 2013.

Focusing Community Health Efforts with Information

Prevention Quality Indicator Composite - Chronic Conditions
Reducing these Admissions by 10% would save an estimated $40,000,000 + Annually
Virginia’s Health Care Pricing Information

Began in 2008 with legislation
Covers 31 Services provided by
• Ambulatory Surgical Centers
• Doctors offices
• Hospitals
Average Allowed Amounts along with basics on the service
• Will be expanded to use APCD information

APCD- All Payer Claims Database
JCHC Legislation passed in 2012

Voluntary Bill passed
CHAPTER 693

APCDs includes data from medical and pharmacy with eligibility and provider files:
• Used to analyze health system performance by state, region, health plan and provider
• Monitor and focus public health efforts
• Public reporting of health care cost and quality
Tri-State Variation in Health Services
Advanced Imaging – MRIs

Virginia’s adoption of National data standards will support multi-state comparisons

Keene (90.8)

Greenville (46.2)

Middlebury (53.3)

Rutland (73.8)

SOURCE: STATE OF VERNON

APCD- All Payer Claims Database
Moving from 2012 - Planning to 2013 - Doing

- Administered by VDH contracting with VHI
- Health plans and related entities may submit APCD Data
- Act specifies types of information to be collected and reported
- APCD Advisory Committee assisting in implementation
- Participation, Data Submission agreements finalized
- Milliman selected as vendor to VHI
- First Submissions, November, 2013
- Graduated release, late spring 2014
  - Public health, Health Plan, Hospital Use
  - Subsequently, Providers, Employers

APCD First 30 months Funding - $3,281,500

VDH providing administrative, policy and technical support
Down the Road

WHAT'S NEXT?

Expand Current Quality Reporting
Evaluate, Revise, Current Quality Information
Increase Public Awareness of VHI Reports and Data
Expand Health Care Pricing Reports with APCD Data

Closing Remarks

FROM NUMBERS TO KNOWLEDGE

BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER