

Team-based Care Approaches to Improve Health Outcomes

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WHEREAS, team-based care is a health care delivery model in which two or more providers work collaboratively with one another and with patients and their caregivers to coordinate care across several settings; and

WHEREAS, there are many different models of team-based care, some of which have been associated with improved health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, components of some team-based care models incorporate the patient into the decision-making process, which can empower and engage patients in managing their health, navigating the health care system, and decreasing health care expenditures; and

WHEREAS, there are populations that could benefit from team-based care models and improved patient engagement to assist with better management of health conditions; and

WHEREAS, providers may face challenges in implementing team-based care approaches, including reimbursement models, training limitations, and licensing restrictions, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Joint Commission on Health Care, that staff be directed to study teambased care approaches to improving health outcomes in Virginia.

In conducting its study, staff shall (i) review evidence-based models of team-based care and their effectiveness in improving patient engagement and health outcomes; (ii) identify which populations most benefit from team-based care; (iii) evaluate the extent to which team-based care models are being used in Virginia; (iv) understand any obstacles to the implementation of team-based care in Virginia; and (v) consider policy options through which the state may incentivize or promote effective models of team-based care.

The Joint Commission on Health Care shall make recommendations as necessary and review other related issues as warranted.

In accordance with § 30-169.1 of the Code of Virginia, all agencies of the Commonwealth, including the Virginia Bureau of Insurance, the Virginia Department of Health Professions, and the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services shall provide assistance, information, and data to the Joint Commission on Health Care for this study upon request.