



Children's Mercy
Health Network

Top Takeaways from the March 2022 CMHN Committee Meetings

COVID-19 Resources: [Children's Mercy COVID-19 Webpage](#) & [COVID-19 FAQ for Physicians and Providers](#)
Children's Mercy is Here to Support Your Practice's Efforts to Offer the COVID-19 Vaccine to Your Patients!

March CMHN Committee Content Now Available on Demand – [Click Here](#) to View Recording

Updated CMHN 2022 Incentive Performance Report: Use to Inform 2022 Improvement Efforts!

[Click here](#) to review your practice's rolling year performance to inform your quality improvement efforts!

Quality Performance Period:

- Aetna: July '20 to June '21
- Blue KC: Jan '21 to Dec '21
- Cigna: Oct '20 to Sept '21

- **Engagement:** In Progress. 10 Engagement Points Earned by End of Year
- **Clinical Quality:** 16 of 24 Practices Achieving 48+ Points Out of 60 Points
- **Cost & Utilization:** 23 of 24 Practices Achieving 30 Out of 30 Points



TIP: Use the [CMHN Quality Improvement Tool Kit](#) to review and access quality improvement strategies and insights for all CMHN incentive measures!

[Click here](#) to review the 2022 CMHN Incentive Distribution Framework.

What's New in the 2022 Incentive Performance Report?

- Annual well care visit measures have been combined into one measure for patients 3 to 21 years old. Previously, there were separate measures by age bands of 3-6 years, 7-11 years, and 12-21 years. Achieving compliance for the measures remains the same (i.e. evidence of one well-care visit during the measurement for each patient).
- New SDOH Screening Positivity Rate Measure: Measure evaluates % of positive SDOH screens. Full incentive earned when $\geq 2\%$ positivity. Pro-rated incentive earned (0 to 5 points) for 0-2% positivity.

Top Recommendations & Tactics to Inform Quality Improvement in 2022

Appropriate Treatment for Pharyngitis

71% of Practices (17 of 24) Not Meeting 2022 Target

- **Key Tactic:**
 - Make sure to perform step test when patients diagnosed with pharyngitis and prescribed antibiotics.
- **Insights:**
 - Recent performance decreases are primarily due to practices trying to keep potential COVID positive kids out of clinic. With a recent history of strep, or presumptive strep, providers prescribed antibiotics without having them come in for a strep test.

[Click to view the Appropriate Treatment for Pharyngitis definition & key learnings from Fall 2021 deep dive!](#)

Chlamydia Screening

42% of Practices (10 of 24) Not Meeting 2022 Target

- **Key Tactics:**
 - During pre-visit planning, add chlamydia screening orders for females on contraceptives
 - Manage chlamydia screening test process in-house
 - Use [Innovaccer Worklists](#) to identify applicable patients. Outreach based on need of well visit.
 - [Click to view](#) Chlamydia Screening Specialty Spotlight featuring Dr. William Adelman of Children's Mercy Adolescent Medicine



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[Click to view the Chlamydia Screening definition & key tactics slide deck.](#)

Risk Adjustment Refresher: Understanding What It Is & How to Impact!

[Click to view a Risk Adjustment Tip Sheet](#)

to learn about risk scores & risk adjustment.



Why is Risk Adjustment Important?

Our network's cost performance within value-based agreements is dependent on risk adjusted cost.



How Can I Influence My Practice's Risk Score to Ensure It Appropriately Reflects the Risk of My Patients?

Ensure your risk score is accurate by coding all diagnoses ([at the appropriate acuity](#)) managed during your clinic visits.

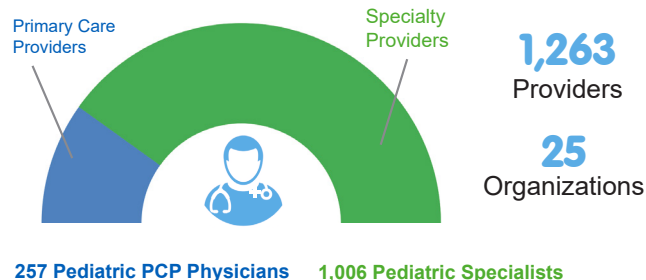
[Click here to view](#) your practice's risk score relative to the network and other practices.

CMHN Network Operations Dashboard – Check Out Our Accomplishments and Upcoming Activity in the Next Quarter!

CMHN NETWORK OPERATIONS DASHBOARD



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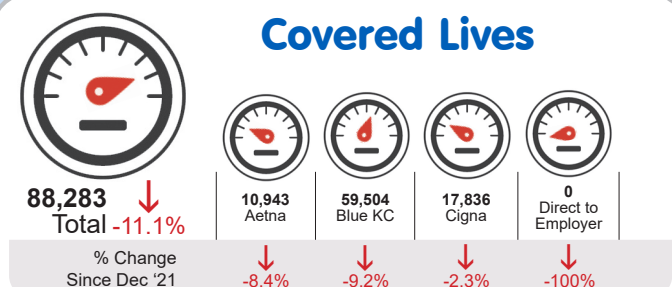
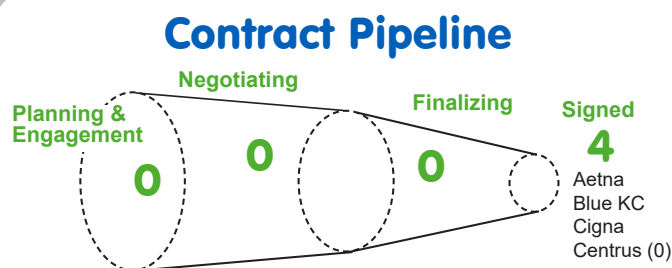


Highlights

- Developed a comprehensive SDOH Network Guide to support practice efforts to improve SDOH screening and referral workflows in alignment with updated requirements & expectations.
- Launched a new SDOH pilot, with MOUs finalized with 2 of 3 community based organizations (CBOs) to further develop relationship, evaluate/improve the 'closed loop' social need referral workflow, and provide social need services to patients in 2022.
- Developed proposed 'CMHN Practice 2022 Incentive Model' in alignment with updated terms within CMHN value based agreements and anticipated movement toward increasing downside risk.
- Continued efforts to measure, monitor, and support practice efforts to integrate behavioral health services within primary care.
 - Increased awareness to state BH programs in MO ([MO CPAP](#)) and KS ([KSKidsMAP](#)).
- Continued effort to implement Innovaccer's Population Health technology platform.
 - Continued effort to integrate Lift Up KC ([www.liftupkc.org](#)) into Innovaccer InNote and enable access to Children's Mercy clinical notes.
 - Enabled care teams to access Innovaccer dashboards (CIN/HEDIS quality) directly from InNote.
- Initiated and progressing through quality improvement initiatives and deep dives for ADHD follow up care and Asthma Medication Ratio.

Upcoming Activity

- Finalize the 'CMHN Practice Incentive Model' in alignment with updated terms within CMHN value based agreements.
- Collect and develop an inventory of significant practice changes (processes, staffing, technology, infrastructure) made since launch of network in Fall of 2015 to inform and advance network.
- Launch a new community collaborative learning network to create a shared clinical pathway for common specialty conditions (initial pilot focus: chronic abdominal pain).
- Continue SDOH pilot with 3 community based organizations (CBOs) to evaluate/improve the 'closed loop' social need referral workflow and provide social need services to patients.
- Continue to monitor, evaluate, and improve SDOH screening and referral processes.
- Continue to measure, monitor, and support practice and network efforts to integrate BH services within primary care.
 - Partner with Blue KC to launch pilot of Psychiatric Collaborative Care Model in 2022.
 - Distribute and promote completion of on-demand CM behavioral health 'master class' content.
 - Evaluate network-level strategies to address behavioral health service needs.
- Continue to advance deployment and use of Innovaccer population health management platform.
 - **Primary Care:** Adding Children's Mercy specialty notes and SDOH referrals (via Lift Up KC). Ongoing education and re-engagement to drive care team adoption.
 - **Episodes of Care:** Continue effort to implement analytical framework to meaningfully engage specialty divisions on total cost of care (initial focus on asthma, diabetes, and epilepsy).
- Initiate further collaboration with CM Care Management & Patient Family Services to increase awareness and understanding of value based care metrics/outcomes & improve care.
- Launch 2022 quality improvement initiatives (HPV vaccination, tobacco screening & counseling).



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