

ACCP Advocacy: Policy, Practice and Beyond

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ACCP Medicare Coverage Initiative

The “what” of the benefit:

- **Identify and document medication-related problems through a consistent clinical process of care that is patient-centered and team-driven;**
- Collaboratively manage evidence-based pharmacotherapy to achieve overall care goals;
- Engage patients and caregivers in understanding and successful use of medications;
- Target complex, chronic disease patients where medication “success” is essential to achieving overall goals of care*

* *quality, cost, clinical outcomes, patient engagement in care*

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The “who” of the benefit/practice:

- **Board certification or eligibility* as required by many state Collaborative Practice Agreement / Collaborative Drug Therapy Management (CPA/CDTM) regulations**
- Establishment of formal CPA/CDTM agreements with physician (or other prescribers as allowed in some states)
- Ideally, a clinical pharmacist would have privileges granted by medical staff/credentialing system of the practice (or institution)

**Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS)*

In the final analysis, providers *must*

...be fully accountable for the care and services they provide;

...be committed to and focused on the patients/family who have permitted them to enter their lives;

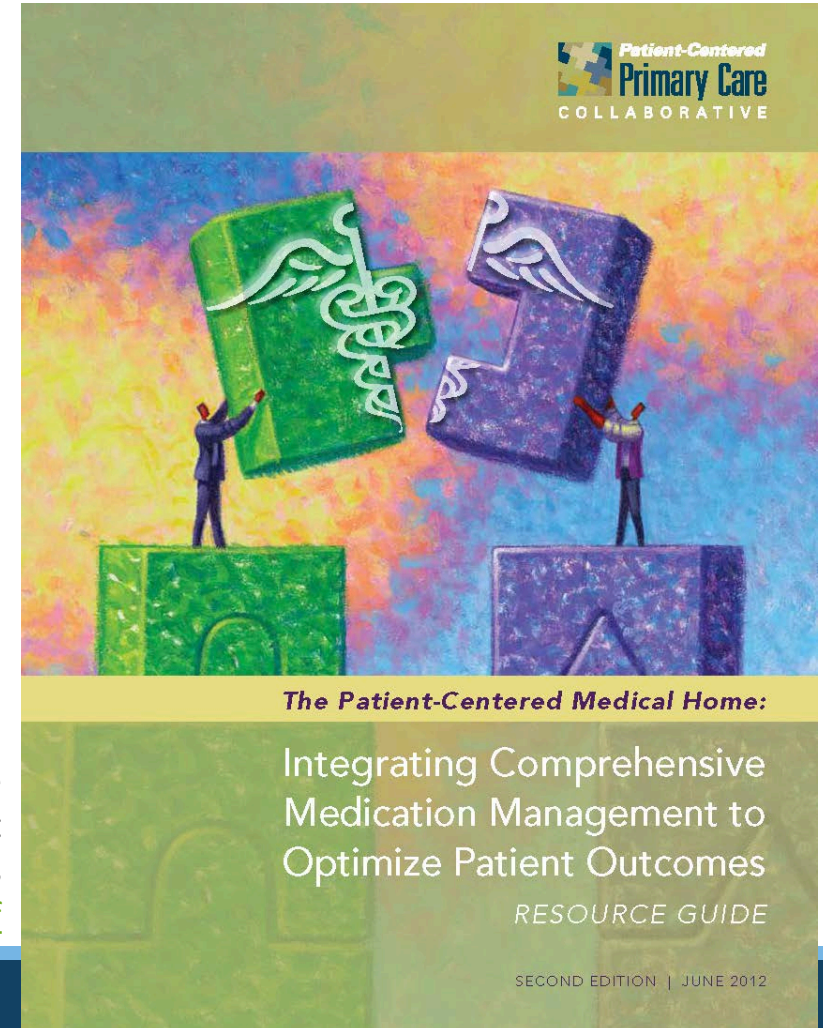
...Own and accomplish the work that is the core of their expertise....not add work to the other clinicians on the care team.

PCPCC* defines comprehensive medication management (CMM)

- **The *Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC) guide defines comprehensive medication management in the PCMH**
- Included in AHRQ's Innovation Center - Quality Toolkit
- Second revision with Appendix A- Guidelines for Practice and Guidelines for Documentation

PCPCC Resource Guide: Integrating Comprehensive Medication Management to Optimize Patient Outcomes

<http://www.pcpcc.net/files/medmanagement.pdf>

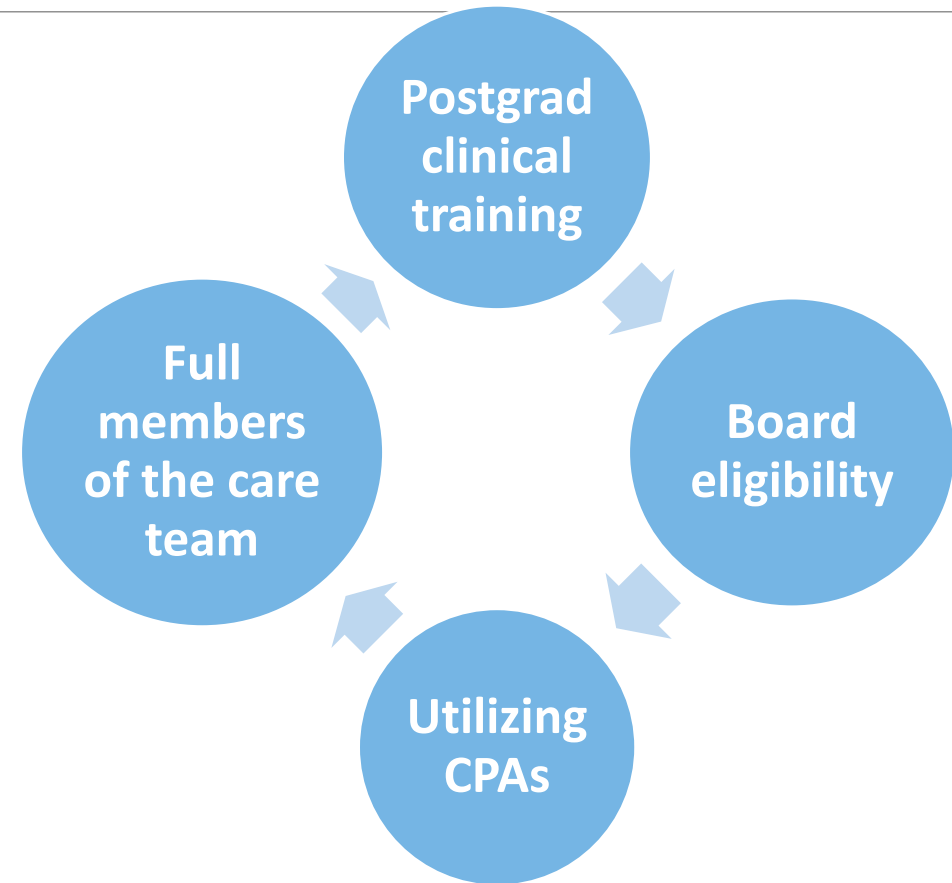


CMM Defined:

- **Defined as the standard of care that ensures each patient's medications (whether they are prescription, nonprescription, alternative, traditional, vitamins, or nutritional supplements) are individually assessed to determine that each medication is appropriate for the patient, effective for the medical condition, safe given the comorbidities and other medications being taken, and able to be taken by the patient as intended.**
- **Includes** an individualized care plan that achieves the intended goals of therapy with appropriate follow-up to determine actual patient outcomes.
- This all occurs because the patient understands, agrees with, and actively participates in the treatment regimen, thus optimizing each patient's medication experience and clinical outcomes.

The “what” versus the “who²”

- The “what” is the **clinical practice... CMM included**
- The “who” is... patients, cared for by **clinical pharmacists**



So...what are we still missing?

- **With very limited exceptions, health insurance coverage and payment policies don't explicitly include medication optimization as a defined benefit for discreet or shared PAYMENT!**
- A clearly defined “what” delivered using a consistent and standardized process of care is necessary
- Professional understanding that current trends in payment policy will increase the “value over volume” challenge for ALL providers...

Parallel paths toward payment...

ACCP MEDICARE INITIATIVE

Add CMM as a covered benefit under Medicare Part B

Emphasize value added to care for complex chronic disease patients

Clinical pharmacists well positioned to provide CMM in a variety of practices

PAPCC “PROVIDER STATUS” BILL

Modify Social Security Act to add Pharmacists to “the list” of providers eligible to bill Medicare for services

Compensation would be 85% of the physician fee schedule for pharmacist-provided care services*

Reintroduced January 2017, 140+ House co-sponsors and 30+ Senate co-sponsors

Current Trends in US Health Policy

- Patient and family centered care
- Team-based care
- Alternative Payment Models (AMPs) - MACRA
- Opioid Crisis
- Drug Pricing

Our mission...

Get The Medications Right!

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