Spreading Solutions That Work
Patient Portal Program

Idea Sharing
Webinar #1
Workflow

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Welcome

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Agenda

- Idea Sharing Webinar Format
- Announcements
- Common Approaches and Resources
- Grantee Example Sharing
- Discussion
Idea Sharing Webinar Format

• Just-in-time!
  – You asked for it
  – TA – Solid Examples
  – Learning Community Sharing

• Sharing Common Examples, the Good and the Bad

• Record Webinar for Future Sharing

• Follow-up With Each Other
• Work Plans are Due – Use Tracking Spreadsheet if you wish

• Metrics are Due: May 17 (Link to Form Sent)

• June 8: Overcoming Enrollment and Password Reset Barriers

• July 13: Options for a Successful Training

• Minors Issues – watch video (Webinar Link - Minors Patient Portals and California Law - Rebecca Gudeman - Oct 2015), look at slides

• Dashboards – soon?
Patient Portal Workflows

COMMON APPROACHES AND RESOURCES
What Do We Know

• Organizational culture dictates success

• Common Theme: follow the worn path – people chose it for a reason

• Resources:
  – 2 areas with resources – section 6 (Portal Features and Functions) and section 12 (Workflows)
  – 1-hour Webinar - Patient Portal Appointment Scheduling
  – Appointment options, case studies workflow example
  – Patient Portal work flow charts and examples for front desk, portal representative and providers
Grantee Experiences

PLEASE TRY TO STAY UNDER 5 MINUTES PRESENTATION TIME
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Who We Are

- Where We Are Located: San Fernando, CA
- Number of Clinics in the Organization: 14
- Total Number of FTE Providers: 142
- Date Portal First Went Live: 2014
- Portal Vendor: Nextgen
- Target Population the First 6 Months: All Patients
Portal Functions and Workflow

- **Appointment Request**
  - Who gets this portal task?
  - What do they do with it?

  Call Center receives appointment requests.

  - **Non-Sick appoint. Requests**: Call Center provides appoint. options via Portal
  - **Sick appoint. Requests**: Call Center sends message to Triage Nurse.

- **Medication Refill Request**
  - Who gets this portal task? Portal Response Teams
  - What do they do with it? Responds to Pt. or forwards to Provider
Portal Functions and Workflow

- Function #3 Secure Messaging
  - Who gets this portal task? Portal Response Team
  - What do they do with it? Answer what they can based on scope of practice. Forward messages requiring Provider feedback to PCP.
Portal Workflow

• What is working...
  – Secure Messaging, Appointment Requests, Lab result and Rx Refill Requests options being used by patients.

• What is not working...
  – “Request Summary of Medical Records” currently under development by NG.
  – Message Response time.

• One question I have for the group...
  – Has anyone developed a “Pay my Bill “ option on the NG Portal?
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Who We Are

- Where We Are Located: California Central Coast covering San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties
- Number of Clinics in the Organization: 5
- Total Number of FTE Providers: 14
- Date Portal First Went Live: 12/2015
- Portal Vendor: NextGen
- Target Population the First 6 Months: Follow up contact within 30 days to review most common side effects with all patients initiating long acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) and depo as their birth control of choice.
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Ask a nurse
  – Case Management nurses are responsible for all incoming patient messages.
  – They review the message and send a reply.

• Review Medical Records
  – Call Center agents or Case Management Nurses
  – If patient needs a password reset, it can be handled by agents. If records have not been released they must message a nurse.
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Review Lab results
  – Results must be reviewed by a nurse.
  – Once the result gets reviewed it is posted to the portal or a follow up plan is communicated if lab is abnormal.

• View an Invoice
  – Billing department
  – Billers must post the invoice on the patient portal
Portal Workflow

• What is working...
  – Using Otech (self registration) to enroll patients in portal
  – Reports – data with number of enrollments by health center staff

• What is not working...
  – Portal Landing Page is NextGen design not PPCCC
  – Portal token does not always work and patients have to call in to reset.

• One question I have for the group...
  – Is anyone having staff assist patients to access a function on the portal during their visit?
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Who We Are

• Where We Are Located: South LA
• Number of Clinics in the Organization: 2
• Total Number of FTE Providers: 7
• Date Portal First Went Live: February 2016
• Portal Vendor: eClinical Works (eCW)
• Target Population the First 6 Months:
  – Diabetic Patients requesting medication refills
  – Parents/Guardians requesting copy of Immunization record
Portal Functions and Workflow

• General Messages
  – Who gets this portal task? Susy, Director of Clinical Operations
  – What do they do with it?

• Refill Messages
  – Who gets this portal task? Amanda, Lead MA
  – What do they do with it?
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Appointment Messages (live)
  – Who gets this portal task? Not activated
  – What do they do with it? Not activated

• Referral Messages
  – Who gets this portal task? Jose, Lead Patient Referral Coordinator
  – What do they do with it?
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Lab Messages
  – Who gets this portal task? Magdalena, Phlebotomist
  – What do they do with it?

• Demographic Update Messages
  – Who gets this portal task? Susy, Director of Clinical Operations
  – What do they do with it?
Portal Workflow

• What is working...
  – Messages are coming through and responses are being handled within 3-5 days

• What is not working...
  – Staff training
  – Delegation

• One question I have for the group...
  – Do you have a Goal, set # of patients the key team must enroll in Patient Portal?
  – Do you offer incentives to the key team if they meet their goal?
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Who We Are

• Where We Are Located: Venice, CA
• Number of Clinics in the Organization: 10 Clinical Sites
• Total Number of FTE Providers: 30ish
• Date Portal First Went Live: 2015
• Portal Vendor: Next MD
• Target Population the First 6 Months: Adult Diabetics & Teens
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Appointment Request
  – Who gets this portal task? Call Center
  – What do they do with it? They communicate with the patient to schedule an appointment

• Medication Refill Request
  – Who gets this portal task? Not currently live
  – What do they do with it?
Portal Functions and Workflow

- Appointment cancelation
  - Call center
  - Cancel patient’s appointment

- Medication Question
  - Portal group, sorted or handled by Dr. Loeza
  - Forward to provider or appropriate staff member (followed up with an e-mail reminder)
Portal Workflow

• What is working...
  – Appointment requests
  – Select providers using portal to communicate with patients (outgoing messages)

• What is not working...
  – Labs
  – Incoming messages

• One question I have for the group...
  – Strategies to test and resolve technical issues
Who We Are

- Where We Are Located: San Mateo, California
- Number of Clinics in the Organization: 8 physical locations providing multiple services in each site
- Total Number of FTE Providers: 120+
- Date Portal First Went Live: 2012
- Portal Vendor: eClinicalWorks
- Target Population the First 6 Months: Primary Care, Adults
Portal Functions and Workflow

• Appointment Request
  – Who gets this portal task? NA
  – What do they do with it? NA

• Medication Refill Request
  – Who gets this portal task? NA
  – What do they do with it? NA
Portal Workflow

• What is working...
  – Lab/Radiology results viewing
  – Visit summary viewing

• What is not working...
  – Strategies of expanding features to offer more usability to patients
  – Ability to spread to Teen population

• One question I have for the group...
  – Diversity in implementations, management around language limitations and management of the single operators receiving messages, volumes, decision and distribution to multiple teams/staff
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