

# **CommuniCare Health Centers**





## **PHLN Year 2 Project Aim**

By September 30, 2019, the CommuniCare Pilot Group optimize care team function and improve patient experience as measured by:

- Increase patient continuity\* from 41.62% to 42.24%
- Improve patient ease of ability to make an appointment from 38.1% to 40%
- \*Continuity = patients seen by assigned PCP
- \*\*Ease of ability to make an appointment as indicated on Patient Satisfaction survey by patient selecting "excellent"

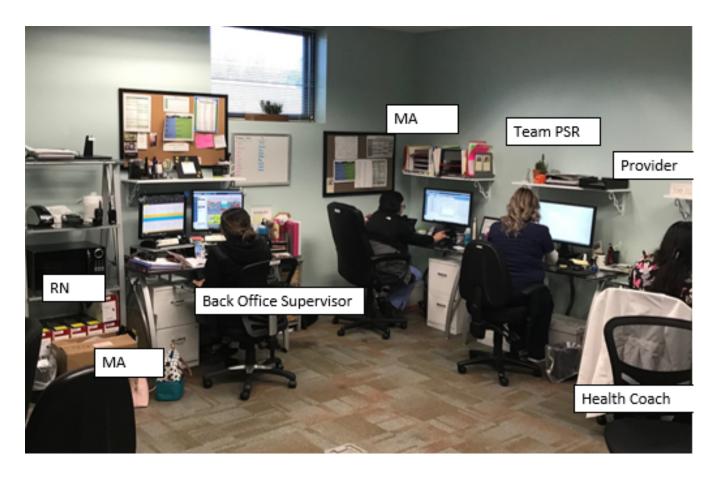


# Changes



#### **Tested Changes**

- Co-location\*
- In-coming calls
- PSR attendance at huddles
- Competency skills





#### **Data Informed Improvement**



# Patient Experience: Ease of Making an Appointment



#### Incoming Calls Patient Survey - 10 (20)

Patient Responses
Question 1: We have been testing giving patients a direct line to call their care team for appointments or to ask questions. On a scale of 1 to 5 how satisfied are you have this option?
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Question 2: Any additional feedback: Applicate a direct line; Applicate a direct line; Question 1: We have been testing giving patients a direct line to call their care team for appointments or to ask questions. On a scale of 1 to 5 how satisfied are you have this option?
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Question 2: Any additional feedback: Great option, quick responses,  Eacy to get dantification and efficient.  Question 1: We have been testing giving patients a direct line to call their care team for appointments or to ask questions. On a scale of 1 to 5 how satisfied are you have this option?
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Question 2: Any additional feedback: Thank you so much for calling back. His easier and more convenient to call a direct Question 1: We have been testing giving patients a direct line to call their care team for



### **Strategies for Success**

Human-centered Change Management

Co-location PDSA

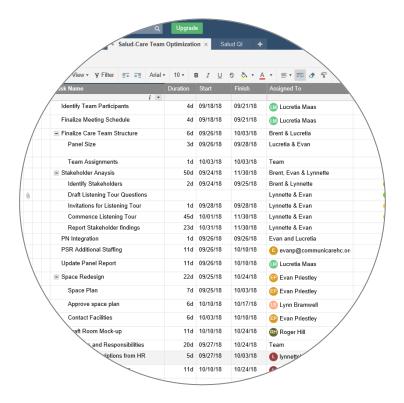
Management of Staff Turnover

**Data Visibility** 

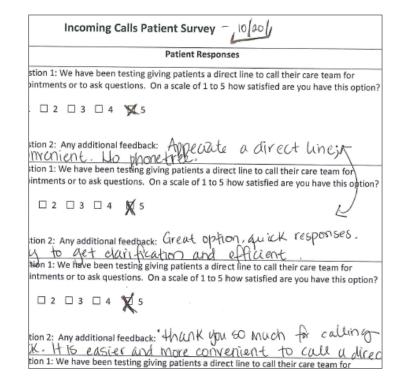




### **Key Tools & Resources**



- Smart Sheet



 Patient satisfaction survey



- Care Team Meetings



### **Next Steps**



#### **Spreading**

- Add a second pilot team (Spanish speaking team)
- Hiring PSR position/tipping point for team-based v. registration coverage
- Online scheduling to decrease call volume

#### **Sustaining**

- Finalize Team Based PSR job description and run Payscale report
- Standardize clinic workflows that align front and back office communication and patient process



### **Current Challenges or Barriers**



Transition support through tipping point

ROI proved through transition

