

Physician to Physician

Collaboration. Leadership. Quality.

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Clinical Integration

The Infirmary Physician Alliance (IPA) is a physician-led, physician-driven, and physician-governed organization that is aligned with Infirmary Health to provide physicians with a more integrated role in strategic planning, patient care and quality program implementation, and managed care contracting with payers/employers. The Infirmary Physician Alliance's main goal is to improve clinical quality and the care efficiency necessary to demonstrate value to payers/employers and patients.

BPCI Advanced with CMS Under Review by the IPA Board

The CMS Bundled Payment for Care Improvement Advanced (BPCI) program is a bundled payment for all clinical care costs during a 90 day episode of care. There are currently 33 inpatient episodes and 4 outpatient episodes that are a part of the new program set to begin in 2020. BPCI Advanced qualifies as an “advanced payment model” under CMS. The application deadline was June 24, 2019 and the IPA submitted a non binding letter of intent to review the data. During August-October, the IPA will receive all CMS claims related to each bundle in order to conduct a preliminary bundle opportunity analysis. This analysis will be reviewed by the IPA committees and Board to decide whether to apply for a three year bundle. Participation in the program requires a final application by November 1st. If the IPA decided to apply, participation will begin January 2020. Below are the BPCI Advanced Bundle options that can be selected by the IPA.

BPCI Advanced Episode Options

Outpatient Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI)	Disorders of the liver excluding malignancy, cirrhosis, alcoholic hepatitis
Outpatient Cardiac Defibrillator	Double joint replacement of the lower extremity
Outpatient Back & Neck except Spinal Fusion	Fractures of the femur and hip or pelvis
Outpatient Total Knee Replacement	Gastrointestinal hemorrhage
Bariatric Surgery	Gastrointestinal obstruction
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	Hip & femur procedures except major joint
Seizures	Lower extremity/humerus procedure except hip, foot, femur
Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)	Major bowel procedure
Acute myocardial infarction	Major joint replacement of the lower extremity
Back & neck except spinal fusion	Major joint replacement of the upper extremity
Cardiac arrhythmia	Pacemaker
Cardiac defibrillator	Percutaneous coronary intervention
Cardiac valve	Renal failure
Cellulitis	Sepsis
Cervical spinal fusion	Simple pneumonia and respiratory infections
COPD, bronchitis, asthma	Spinal fusion (non-cervical)
Combined anterior posterior spinal fusion	Stroke
Congestive heart failure	Urinary tract infection
Coronary artery bypass graft	

IPA Committee Schedule

Primary Care – 5/15
 Hospital Clinical Services – 5/20
 Neurosciences – 5/28
 Heart & Vascular – 6/19
 Surgery – 6/20
 IPA Board – 6/27
 Clinical IT/Patient Health Record – 7/30
 Medicine – 8/8
 Women’s and Children’s – 8/12

Quality Measure Selection

Over the past three months, the IPA specialty committees have met to select quality measures. Each specialty has selected 5-7 measures and these measures will be tracked through EPIC registries. For more information on measures selected please contact Ryan Summerford at 251-435-4784 or Ryan.Summerford@InfirmaryHealth.org.

Collaborative Care Network Participants

In an effort to coordinate patient care across the post-acute settings, Infirmary Health has established a Collaborative Care Network (CCN) that includes preferred providers in skilled nursing facilities, home health agencies, and hospice facilities. These providers were selected through a process based on the organization's quality ratings, patient satisfaction, care coordination infrastructure, and willingness to collaborate with Infirmary Health.

Skilled Nursing Facilities		Home Health	
Oakwood North Baldwin	Bay Minette	*Infirmary Home Care	Jackson
Allen Health & Rehab services	Mobile	*Infirmary Home Care	Mobile
Ashland Place Health and Rehab	Mobile	*Infirmary Home Care	Fairhope
Atmore Nursing Center	Atmore	Alabama Home Care	Camden
Azalea Gardens	Mobile	Alacare Home Health & Hospice	Mobile
Blue Ridge Healthcare	Montrose	Amedisys Home Health	Bay Minette, Brewton, Citronelle, Foley, Mobile, Monroeville, Thomasville
Crowne Health Care of Citronelle	Citronelle	ComfortCare Coastal Home Health	Foley, Mobile
Crowne Health Care of Springhill	Mobile	D.W. McMillian Home Health	Brewton
Diversicare of Foley	Foley	Kindred at Home	Daphne, Foley, Mobile
Eastern Shore Rehabilitation	Daphne	LHC Home Care of South Alabama	Opp
Englewood Health Care Center	Monroeville	ProHealth Home Health	Fairhope
Fairhope Health and Rehailitation	Fairhope	Saad Home Health	D'Iberville,MS
Gulfcoast Health and Rehabilitation	Mobile	Saad Home Health	Mobile, Spanish Fort
Kensington Health & Rehabilitation	Mobile	Springhill Home Health	Mobile
Lynwood Nursing Home	Mobile		
Monroe Manor Health & Rehab	Monroeville	Hospice	
Palm Gardens Health & Rehab	Mobile	Alacare Home Health and Hospice	Mobile
Robertsdale Rehab and Healthcare	Robertsdale	Alabama Hospice Care of Mobile	Mobile
Spring Hill Manor Nursing Home	Mobile	Aseracare Hospice	Mobile
Springhill Senior Residence	Mobile	Comfort Care Coastal Hospice	Fairhope, Mobile
Twin Oaks Rehab and Healthcare	Mobile	Community Hospice of Baldwin Cty	Foley
West Gate Village	Brewton	Covenant Care	Daphne, Mobile
Willow Brooke Court @ Westminster	Spanish Fort	Hometown Hospice	Jackson
		Kindred at Hospice	Daphne, Mobile
		SAAD Hospice Services	Mobile
		Springhill Hospice of Baldwin Cty	Daphne
		Springhill Hospice	Mobile
		St Joseph Hospice of South Alabama	Mobile
		SouthernCare Hospice	Atmore, Daphne, Greenville, Grove Hill, Mobile

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