The National Alliance Receives Funding to Promote Value-Based Payment and Care Delivery Recommendations for Pediatric-to-Adult Transitional Care

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The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health has received funding from the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health to develop a strategic dissemination plan to increase the use of value-based transition payment (VBP) and care delivery recommendations by payers. The grant will build upon recent work funded by the foundation to develop a prioritized set of VBP and quality performance recommendations for pediatric-to-adult health care transition (HCT) services.

To increase the likelihood of payers' use of these new recommendations, a sequenced and coordinated plan has been designed that includes:

- 1) Customized outreach and short-term support, with active involvement of parent leaders from Family Voices, to potential early VBP adopters from three commercial insurers and five state Medicaid agencies;
- 2) Development of HCT contract language for use by state Medicaid agencies; and
- 3) Dissemination of VBP piloting options and managed care contract language.

Pediatric-to-adult transitional care is the subject of increased national attention as evidence mounts that structured processes to ensure a planned and coordinated transition are seldom in place in this country. National data shows that 83% of US youth with special health care needs (YSHCN) do not receive transition planning guidance from their health care providers. One major impediment to adopting evidence-based transitional care is lack of payment, as there have been no VBP pilots in pediatric-to-adult transitional care. Another major barrier has been the lack of managed care contractual requirements related to pediatric-to-adult HCT. Through this grant, The National Alliance aims to improve transition supports for youth with special health care needs across the country.

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About The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health

The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to achieve long-term, systemic improvements in comprehensive health care and insurance coverage for adolescents. Through policy analysis, technical assistance, quality improvement, and advocacy, The National Alliance works to promote effective transitions from pediatric to adult health care as part of its Got Transition program. In collaboration with others, The National Alliance also works to expand the availability of adolescent-centered care, access to mental health services, and improvements in health insurance coverage for adolescents and young adults. For more information, visit thenationalalliance.org.

About the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health

The Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health was founded in 1997 as an independent public charity, established to ensure a continued source of funding and support for the health and well-being of children. Its mission is to elevate the priority of children's health and increase the quality and accessibility of children's health care through leadership and direct investment. The Foundation works in alignment with Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and the child health programs of Stanford University. For more information, visit lpfch.org.



