

Minutes

LTC Subcommittee

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Discussion items

Item	Notes
Your Healthcare Plus Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We are currently in the third year of the program.• Recent focus has been on analytics and evaluating outcomes of specific interventions. This data analysis will help us better understand how the program is working and what enhancements may be needed.
ECI NP Care Intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standard monthly reports were included along with agenda. These show which facilities currently have an embedded Nurse Practitioner and how many residents are under management.• The focus over the past quarter has been on the program evaluation process. This process is designed to evaluate residents and determine if they are stable enough to be deactivated in the program. This occurred for the first time in the fourth quarter of 2009 and we found that about 40% of residents reviewed were indeed deactivated.• By deactivated members, we create an opportunity to enroll other residents into the program who may be more in need of the services.• The process has been going well and we've received positive feedback from the facilities and residents.
Clinical Metric Profiling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current pilot sites include NuCare and Barrish/SIR management. We have not received a lot of feedback to date and we are working to better understand how the data has been of use.• We met with another potential pilot site on January 21st. That group indicated that while the data may be of some value, they have the opportunity to run their own reports internally. The group discussed and agreed that technical capabilities will vary from site to site. Some may be able to run these reports, although that does not necessarily mean they are doing so.• We are still looking for other pilot sites. Care Centers were identified as a possible target for the pilot program.• TO DO: Adair to email profiling sample to Dr. Harvey. Email is mharvey828@sbcglobal.net
Pharmacy Reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have complete internal mock reviews and will soon be moving this to production.• Introductory letters will be sent to impacted facilities before any faxes arrive.
CNS Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Harvey indicated that he has been trying to work with facilities to better understand the relationship between psychotropic medications and fall rates. He is working with the Pharmacists in his facilities on this.• Group discussed the current mailings going out from CNS related to Behavioral Health medications. Dr. Harvey indicated that he does remember seeing these mailings.• We have identified a need to do split mailings in order to send LTC resident information to the LTC site directly. Dr. Harvey agreed this would make sense and agreed to be a pilot site. Thank you!
Next committee meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anticipated for April 23, 2009 at 11am CT

