

# **CareFirst Episode of Care Models**

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# Agenda

- A. CareFirst Value-Based Goals and Roadmap
- B. CareFirst EOC Models
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#### **CareFirst Value-Based Roadmap**



Traditional Fee for Service

Fee for Service with Adjusted Economics to Drive Targeted Infrastructure Transformation

Episode-Based Incentives Drive Targeted Procedural Transformation Total Cost of Care, Accountable Care Models Drive Systemic Transformation

## **Models for Each Provider Type**





Independent Primary Care Providers

 Patient-Centered Medical Home



Independent Specialists

• Episode-Based Incentive Programs



ACOs, Hospitals, and Health Systems

 Total Cost of Care Model

### **Payment Transformation Model Design Principles**





#### **Build upon national experience**

- HCP LAN
- CMS
- Other Blues



#### **Enhance partnership between CareFirst and providers**

- •Collaborative model design
- Data exchange
- •Clinical care support programs & expanded Practice Transformation



#### Reduce provider burden

- Align common measures wherever practical
- •Harmonious model design
- •Introduce technologies to enable better use of existing data

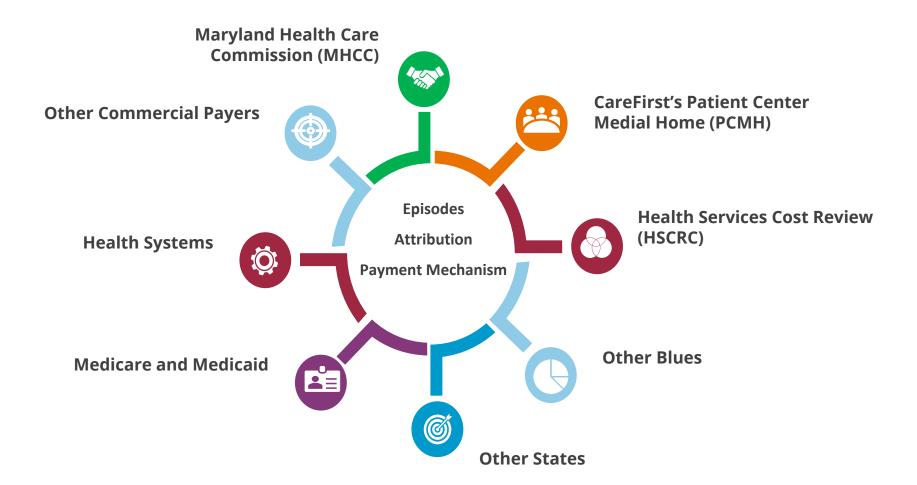


#### **Create meaningful incentives**

- Performance recognition
- •Shared savings / shared risk programs
- •Incentives for Patient Experience and Outcomes

### **Multi-Payer Alignment Opportunities**





#### **Episode Attribution**



- All CareFirst Members receiving treatment for a qualifying EOC during a performance year will be attributed to the provider group
- The EOC models will use PROMETHEUS episode definitions, which are:

#### **Transparent**

Full listing of included and excluded services (as identified by Dx and Procedure codes) available for each EOC

# Developed by Clinicians

Oversight provided by clinical committee who updates the algorithms regularly

# Managed by Altarum

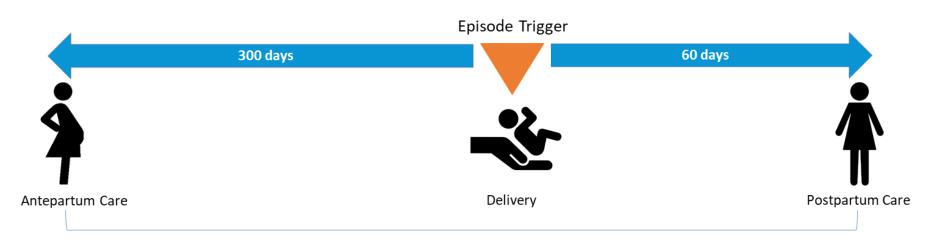
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EOCs will be attributed to the performance year in which they end

# **CareFirst EOC Models: Maternity**



Pregnancy and Vaginal Delivery or C-Section:

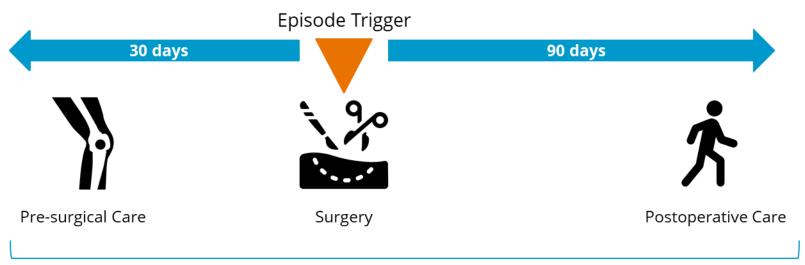


All charges captured during this timeframe = Total Episode Cost

## **CareFirst EOC Models: Orthopedic Surgery**



Knee and Hip Replacement:

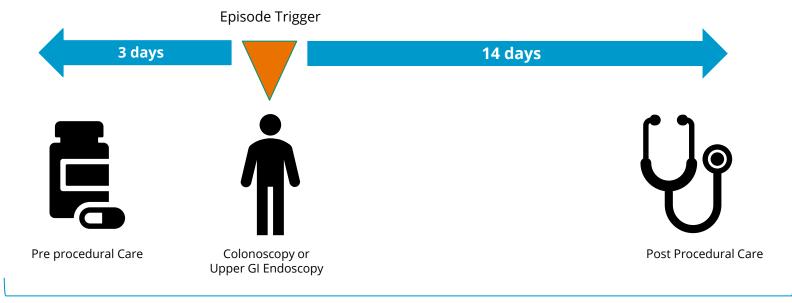


Total Episode Cost = All services considered typical/routine and those related to joint replacement complications during episode timeframe

## **CareFirst EOC Models: Gastroenterology**



Colonoscopy and Upper GI Endoscopy:

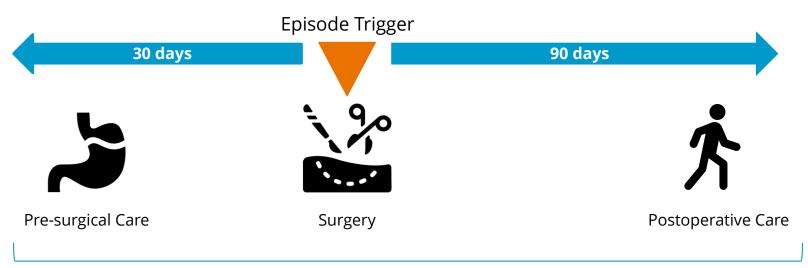


Total Episode Cost = All services considered typical/routine and those related to the procedure during episode timeframe

# **CareFirst EOC Models: General Surgery**



**Bariatric Surgery:** 



Total Episode Cost = All services considered typical/routine and those related to bariatric surgery during episode timeframe

### **Eligibility**



- The provider group must:
  - Operate within CareFirst's primary service area:
    - Maryland
    - Washington DC
    - Northern Virginia
- EOC-specific requirements:
  - Perform 30 or more qualifying episodes for attributed CareFirst Members during the performance year

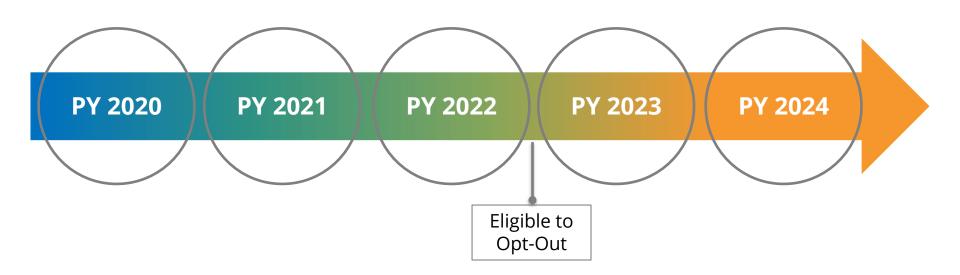
#### **CareFirst Service Area**



#### **Participation Timeline**



- Participation in the EOC model constitutes a five-year agreement with CareFirst
  - Applies to all employed and contracted clinicians practicing under the ACO/provider group unless classified as excluded prior to the performance period
- The provider group will be eligible to opt-out of the model after three years of participation
  - The decision to opt-out of the ACO/EOC model will apply to all participating providers



#### **Budget Methodology**



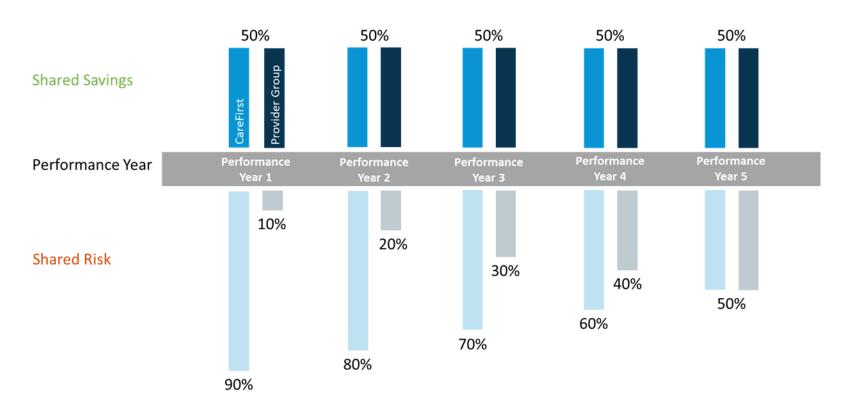
- At the beginning of the performance year, each provider group will receive an annual budget for their member population based on historic costs from the preceding two years, following a one-year claims runout period.
  - The budget will include all costs incurred for attributed Members and will determine the average EOC costs that the provider group will be measured against during reconciliation at the end of the performance year.
- The calculation will be weighted at 50% for Year 1 and 50% for Year 2 (as depicted in the image below).
- The budgets are not risk-adjusted



#### **Shared Savings and Losses**



• If average EOC costs are below the historic budget at the end of the performance year, the provider group will share in the savings at a rate of 50% if they meet or exceed the quality performance threshold.



 If costs are above budget at the end of the performance period, the provider group will repay losses at a rate between 10% – 50%, dictated by the number of performance periods in the EOC model.\*

#### **Quality Measurement**



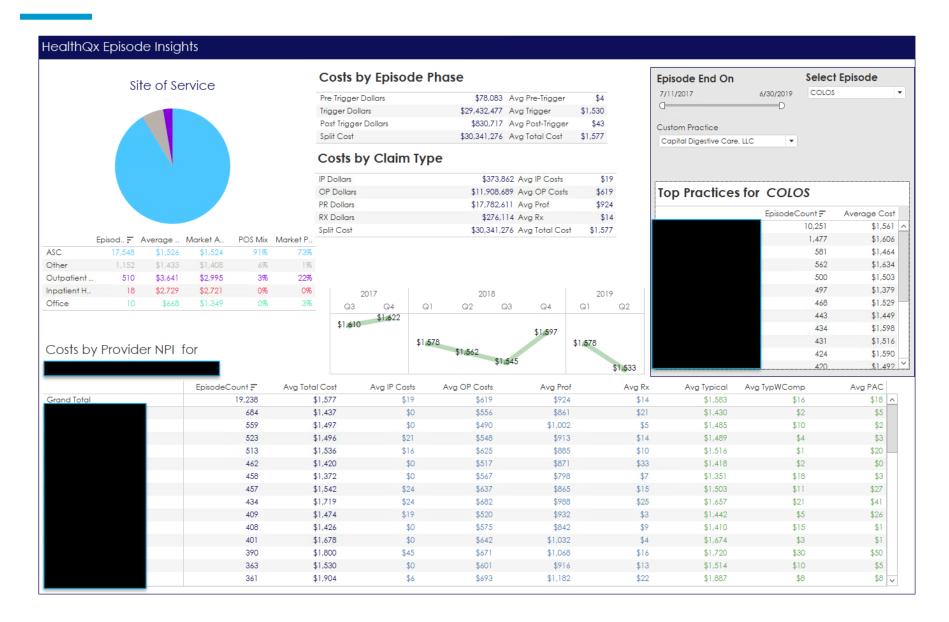
- For Performance Year 1, EOC model participants will report the CareFirst Core 10 measure set (used in PCMH program)
  - Quality measures submitted for monitoring purposes only
- For each subsequent Performance Year, EOC model participants will be required to report episodespecific measures
  - Performance on these measures must exceed a minimum threshold in order to qualify for any earned shared savings
  - EOC-specific measures TBD

#### **CareFirst Core 10 Measure Set**

Category	Measure
Population Health Measures	Optimal Care for Diabetic Population
	HbA1c Control (<8%)
	Eye Exams
	<ul> <li>Blood Pressure Control (&lt;140/90)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Chronic Kidney Disease Screening (ACR and eGFR annually)</li> </ul>
	Controlling High Blood Pressure
	Colorectal Cancer Screening
Event-Based Measures	Use of Imaging Studied for Low Back Pain
	Follow-up for Mental Health and Substance Abuse
	<ul> <li>Follow Up After ED Visit for Mental Illness (7 days)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Follow Up After ED Visit for Alcohol/Drug Dependence (7 days)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (7 days)</li> </ul>
	Appropriate Opioid Prescribing
	<ul> <li>Use of Opioids at High Dosage</li> </ul>
	Risk of Continued Opioid Use
	<ul> <li>Use of Opioids from Multiple Providers</li> </ul>
Risk-Adjusted Measures	Hospitalization for Potentially Preventable Complications
	Hospitalization for Potentially Preventable Chronic Complications
	<ul> <li>Hospitalization for Potentially Preventable Acute Complications</li> </ul>
	All-Cause Readmission
	Emergency Department Utilization
Survey Measures	Member Experience Composite
	Getting Care Quickly
	Getting Needed Care
	Coordination of Care
	Rating of Personal Doctor

#### **Sample Dataset**







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