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Operations Report and an Overview of Value based care in Maryland Spring House of Delegates

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Operations – #Winning



- MedChi leadership and lobbying team recognized by Center Maryland as a winner for their work and successes during the 2022 legislative session.
- MedChi featured on The Daily Record's 2022 Power 30 Health Care list
- Ben Lowentritt, MD, Clement Banda, Rohm Peruvemba and David Safferman all helped guide us thru successful session and an amazing negotiation with CareFirst.

Operations - Membership & Finance Data



Members – By Count

2018 - 6,368

2019 – 6,246

2020 – 6,788

2021 – 7,785



MedChi Total Value

- 2018----\$9,485,000 Audited
- 2019----\$11,241,349 Audited
- 2020----\$12,306,671 Unaudited
- 2021----\$14,843,267 Unaudited

Operations- Follow up and Modernizing MedChi



A report following up on House actions is included in the Call to the House.

MedChi President Loralie Ma, MD made a goal modernizing MedChi. We have implemented a reasonable and balanced remote work program, and begun looking into multiple platforms that will increase access to our services.

MedChi has signed a partnership agreement with Figure 1, which is largest active network of healthcare professionals in the world, with 3 million registered members sharing more than 100,000 patient cases from 190 countries in 35 specialties, all collaborating in real time on challenging cases, rare conditions, and strategies for care.

The MedChi Communications Council under the direction of Drs Smoller and Rockower are launching a podcast. The Communications council will give an update on this and other projects to modernize communications in their report.



Operations Buildings and Museum

- We continue to work toward the creation of a museum and implementing the Building Report
- Work is under way on Baltimore and Annapolis offices
- The Center will give an update on the museum progress in their report

Center for the Employed Physician



Salary Survey

Released this year and IDEA Task force will be working on findings regarding Gender disparity

Model Contract



Contract Seminar

- Dr. Williams and the Medical Economics Council is doing a series on contract negotiations

Center for Private Practice

MedChi is committed to helping practices remain independent.

As your Medical Society, MedChi developed the Center for the Private Practice of Medicine to provide business support tailored to the time constraints of your practice. Our goal is to strengthen your practice by providing credible support that meets your needs with key business services and resources.

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Center For Value-Based Care

MedChi leads the charge protecting physician interest as Maryland healthcare shifts to value-based care. In the 2022 General Assembly Session, MedChi worked to make sure the CareFirst value-based bill included physician and patient protections. MedChi was a strong supporter of the of the Maryland Primary Care Program, the largest per capital most successful value-based care program for Maryland adult primary care.

EQIP	Maryland Insurance Issues on Value-Based Care	MDPCP	Total Cost of Care
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Value Base Care – MedChi is a Resource

- MHCC Transformation grant
 - - In negotiations to expand this grant, currently we are helping practices enter into value based care. We currently have 48 Maryland practices in the program
- Telehealth grants – Zane and Carefirst
 - - We our operating two grants to help practices implement telehealth
- HSCRC MIPS
 - -In conjunction with Zane Networks and CRISP, we received a grant from the HSCRC to provide MIPS assistance to MDPCP practices.

Maryland Value Based care Legislation (AKA Carefirst Value Based Bill)

- Maryland as instrumental is developing physician-friendly value-based care legislation this session
 - This legislation contains the strongest protections for the physician community for those physicians that chose to enter these arrangements and for those that want to remain fee-for-service, including a provision that states that a carrier may not reduce the fee schedule of a physician who remains fee-for-service and does not participate in a two-sided incentive arrangement. MedChi web site has charts, and tools to understand and use the bill.
- MedChi is helping other states as they develop legislation
 - Recently MedChi presented to the AMA advocacy resource center on the Maryland legislation, and the society has answered questions for two other State societies who are dealing with similar bills.
- MedChi can help practitioners who are considering value-based contracts
 - MedChi can answer general questions for practices who are considering these models. MedChi can also be a resource for physicians in an employed setting to understand what these models mean to them from a bonus or payment perspective.

Maryland Primary Care Program



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Department of Health

- Maryland has several state-specific federally approved advanced payment models
 - The State of Maryland has the Maryland Primary Care program, and four tracks under the Episode Quality improvement programs for physicians to be in a federally CMMI Approved advanced model (AAPM).
- The Maryland Primary Care Program (MDPCP) is widely successful
 - This program in its fourth year is one of the largest and most successful advanced payment models in the United States. It is an adult primary care advance payment model that you can learn more at www.medchi.org
- MDPCP will have open enrollment this summer
 - After CMS closed off enrollment after 2020 due to COVID, it is being reopened this summer. If you would like to be added reach out to MedChi today and we can help you sign up.
- The Maryland Primary Care program is considering expanding to Medicaid
 - MedChi has been working with State and Federal officials to create an MDPC like program in Medicaid. Nothing formal has been offered to date by Medicaid.

EQIP



- The Episode Quality Improvement program (EQIP) was launched in 2022 for specialists
 - The Episode Quality Improvement program (EQIP) was launch in 2022 for several bundles for several specialties including GI, Cardo and Orthopedics. You can [learn more about EQIP here.](#)
- EQIP is currently considering expanding to other specialties in 2023
 - Discussions with HSCRC, CMS and MedChi are underway to add bundles around additional specialties including Urology, ER and Ophthalmology in 2023.
- If you have an idea for a new advanced payment model, please reach out to MedChi
 - MedChi has been a leader in this space, but we're eager to continue our work. If you have an idea or an opportunity, please reach out so we can help develop payment models that benefit physicians and patients.

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