Primaria Accountable Care Organization Selected to Participate in The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Next Generation Accountable Care Organization Model

Community Health Network's providers deliver improved, more affordable care to Central Indiana's growing Medicare population

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Primaria Health provider partners are now engaged with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to continue to improve quality and reduce costs for its approximately 30,000 aligned Medicare beneficiaries. Primaria Health will continue to provide its physician partners with the solutions and services they need to improve outcomes, enhance patient and physician satisfaction, and lower the total cost of care.

"We are committed to finding ways to improve the health and wellness of our aging population, and this new Medicare program is a great step forward in doing just that." said Doug Stratton, Chief Executive Officer, Primaria Health.

Primaria Health initially formed a Medicare Shared Savings Program Accountable Care Organization (ACO) in 2017 and is the largest group of primary care physicians in Central Indiana with 400 provider partners. Moving to a Medicare Next Generation ACO Model in 2018, the group can expand its care coordination tools and resources to address the needs specific to seniors as well as support them in achieving performance metrics for value-based contracts.

"In a little over two years, the providers at Community Health Network have demonstrated what is truly possible in terms of improving clinical outcomes while reducing the cost of healthcare. I am thrilled that we are now applying our model to a broader section of the Medicare population," said Tim Barry, Chief Executive Officer, VilllageMD, a national provider of primary care and a Primaria Health partner.

Primaria Health's provider partners will be building upon their demonstrated clinical improvements in the areas of diabetes, congestive heart failure (CHF), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and other complicated health conditions. Primaria Health brings sophisticated data analysis to identify beneficiaries at most risk for a variety of health conditions and complications, as well as those living with chronic conditions.

"We are honored to be selected to participate in this program," said Patrick McGill, M.D., Senior Vice President, Clinical Strategy, Community Health Network. "Improving lives in our Medicare population is so critical because this growing population has a greater risk for health issues."

Primaria Health is a joint venture between VillageMD, a national provider of primary care management services, and Community Health Network, a healthcare system based in Indianapolis.

About Primaria Health:
Primaria Health is a primary care-focused management services organization that helps physicians transform to a primary-care led model for care and achieve success in the new value-based reimbursement environment. Our goal: to be the largest, highest performing primary care-led network in central Indiana. Primaria Healthwas formed through a partnership with VillageMD and Community Health Network and is headquartered in Indianapolis. Primaria supports a rapidly growing group of primary care partners throughout the 38 counties of central Indiana. The Primaria leadership team is comprised of experienced clinicians and dedicated experts in primary care, health plan management, and population management.

About VillageMD:
VillageMD is a leading provider of management services for healthcare organizations moving toward a primary care-led, high-value clinical model. The VillageMD solution provides the tools, technology, operations, and staffing support needed for physicians to drive the highest quality clinical results across a population. VillageMD works with physician groups, independent practice associations, and health systems to improve quality, deliver a first-rate patient experience, and lower costs in the communities they serve.

About Community Health Network:
Ranked among the nation's most integrated healthcare systems, Community Health Network (Community) is Central Indiana's leader in providing convenient access to exceptional healthcare services, where and when patients need them—in hospitals, health pavilions and doctor's offices, as well as workplaces, schools and homes. As a non-profit health system with over 200 sites of care and affiliates throughout Central Indiana, Community's full continuum of care integrates hundreds of physicians, specialty and acute care hospitals, surgery centers, home care services, MedChecks, behavioral health and employer health services. To learn more, visit eCommunity.com or call 800-777-7775.

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