



Primaria Health Expands its Network of Primary Care Physicians to Become the Largest in Central Indiana and Forms ACO

Provider Partners Are Supported in Keeping Their Patients Healthier

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INDIANAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Primaria Health, a primary care management services organization, has expanded its network of primary care physicians to become the largest in Central Indiana and formed a Medicare Accountable Care Organization (ACO) to expand its portfolio of value-based reimbursement contracts offered to physicians. In addition to contract access, Primaria provides physicians with data, clinical care models, and resources to enable them to improve patient outcomes and patient satisfaction, lower the total cost of care, and perform successfully in the new value-based reimbursement environment.

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“Primaria’s rapid growth is demonstrated by the desire of primary care physicians to adopt an enhanced delivery model that offers high-quality, coordinated care and personalized services that extend beyond the exam room – which ultimately improves care delivery, the patient experience, and the total cost of care,” said Doug Stratton, chief executive officer, Primaria. “We are excited to continue partnering with forward-thinking physicians and help contribute to the health and well-being of communities across Central Indiana.”

In the past year, Primaria has grown the number of patients under its model to 130,000 and added more independent physicians to its network, which now totals more than 375 primary care providers. The network recently established an Accountable Care Organization (ACO) which now allows providers to participate in value-based reimbursement contracts for Medicare in addition to commercial populations. In addition to the ACO, Primaria offers physicians commercial and Medicare Advantage value-based contracts with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield and manages contracts for another five large national and local payors under its partnership with Community Health Network. Primaria will manage over one billion

dollars in medical costs in 2017.

"Primaria understands what primary care physicians need to succeed in high-value care," said Gregory Oliver, DO, an independent primary care physician in Indianapolis. "The organization equips our practice with the right mix of data, processes and resources to help us keep our patients healthy, out of the hospital, and more engaged in their health – and to perform well under new value-based reimbursement arrangements."

Primaria's partner providers gain access to proven processes and technology that have demonstrated significant clinical improvements in patients dealing with diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), congestive heart failure (CHF), coronary heart disease and other complicated health conditions. These resources include sophisticated data analysis to identify patients at most risk for a variety of health conditions and complications, as well as those living with chronic conditions; education and support to help patients learn how to manage their conditions, stay on their medications, remove barriers to improving their health, and/or successfully transition home from the hospital; care coordination to keep primary care and specialist physicians aware of care received by the patients they share; and behavioral health management.

Primaria 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 was 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](#) 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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