

Division of Medical Assistance

Pregnancy Medical Home Initiative

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Did You Know...

- In 2009, there were 126,785 births in NC
- 71,067 Medicaid deliveries
- *Overall infant mortality rate: 7.9 per 1000 live births for 2009
 - Decrease of 3.7% from previous year
 - Minority infant mortality rate rose by 4.4%
- Cesarean section rate: 28.1%

*Source:

<http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/deaths/ims/2009>



New Initiative

- Community Care of NC (CCNC), Division of Public Health (DPH) and Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) have embarked on a new initiative to address some of these issues
- Create a program that provides pregnant recipients with a pregnancy medical home (PMH) and case management services to those identified as high risk

Working Together

■ Division of Medical Assistance (DMA)

- Administer and oversee PMH Initiative
- Funding
- Policies

■ CCNC

- Recruit physicians
 - Develop marketing and outreach materials
- Enroll physicians in local CCNC networks
 - Each network will have an OB coordinator (nurse) and OB clinical champion (physician)

Working Together

■ CCNC cont;d




- Provide support to local CCNC networks
- High risk case management
 - Work in collaboration with the health dept to create a high risk case management program
- Monitor and audit PMHs
- Implement quality improvement initiatives

■ Department of Social Services (DSS)



- Vital component in promoting PMHs

Working Together

DSS cont;d

-  Provide current listing of PMHs to recipients
-  Discuss the program with pregnant recipients
 -  Explain the benefits of PMHs

Local Health Departments (LHD)

-  Provide care (population) management and case management services to the pregnant woman population
-  Partner with PMHs

Who Can Be a PMH?

- Any provider that bills global, package or individual pregnancy procedures is eligible to participate
 - OB/GYN practices
 - Local health departments
 - Family medicine
 - Nurse practitioners
 - Certified nurse midwives
 - Federally qualified health centers

PMH Requirements to Participate

- Ensure no elective deliveries are performed before 39 weeks gestation by agreement with all providers in the practice
- Engage fully in the 17P project
 - (17-hydroxyprogesterone caproate)
 - weekly intramuscular injection used to prevent preterm labor

PMH Requirements to Participate

- Decrease cesarean section rate
- Complete a high-risk screening on each pregnant Medicaid recipient in program and integrate plan of care with local care/case management
- Agree to open chart audits
- Affiliate member of CCNC

PMH Incentives






- \$200 per Medicaid delivery
 - \$50 for completing high risk screening tool at initial visit
 - \$150 paid after billing post partum visit
- Exemption from prior approval on ultrasounds
 - Ultrasounds must be registered with MedSolutions

PMH Incentives cont;d

- Increased rate for Vaginal Deliveries
 - Global rate for vaginal delivery will increase from \$1368.59 to \$1549.75 (same rate as cesarean delivery); increase of 13.2%
 - Package and individual rates will increase by 13.2% also (applies to facility and non facility rates)
- Cesarean delivery rates will remain the same

Additional PMH Services

Pregnancy Medical Home

-  Provide continuity of care to all pregnant Medicaid recipients
-  Communicate with High Risk Case Manager assigned to the practice
-  Provide 24/7 phone support
-  Provide educational materials on healthy pregnancy
-  Assure that there are adequate capacity and services at the PMH



Case Management Today

- Maternal Care Coordination Program at LHD serves 28,690 number of Medicaid pregnant women
- Some of the services provided
 - Collaborate with other providers to make sure plan of care is followed
 - Refer clients to other services i.e.; WIC
 - Provide client/prenatal education
- FFS

How is Case Management Changing?

- Focus on high risk
- More intensive services to fewer pregnant women
- Services based on level of need
 - Risk stratification will be used to determine the services needed.
- PMPM

High Risk Case Management

■ High Risk Screening

- Physician, nurse, nurse midwife or nurse practitioner completes screening at initial visit
- Identify high risk pregnant women
- Refer any pregnant Medicaid recipients who meet at least one high risk criteria, according to the screening tool, for case management services
- Referrals for case management services can be done at the provider's discretion

High Risk Case Management

■ Case Managers

- Determine the level of need
- Assigned to a PMH practice and become an integral part of the care the PMH provides
- Complete a detailed assessment of the recipient
- Work in partnership with PMH to ensure proper care of recipients
- Provide services to recipients as long as need exist during pregnancy



High Risk Case Management

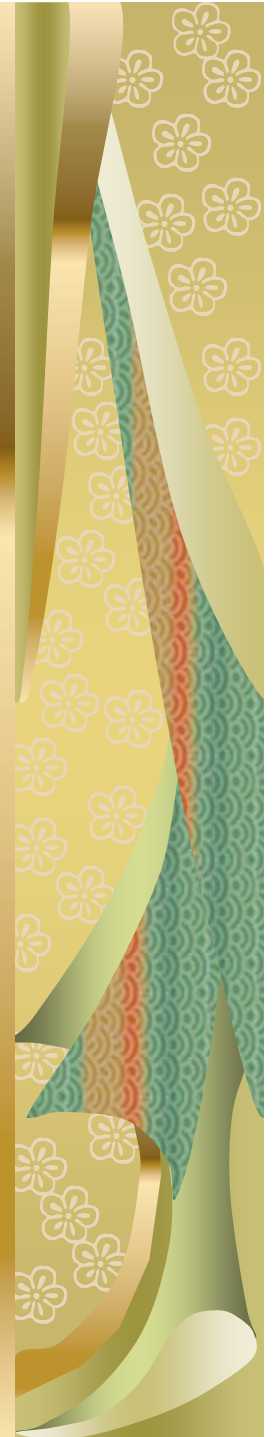
Case Managers cont;d

- Refer recipients to Family Planning Services after delivery
 - Covers annual and periodic office visits, lab procedures, screening for HIV, STIs, treatment for STIs and FDA approved and Medicaid covered birth control methods
- Capture high risk information to be used to develop other quality initiatives or changes to current model to promote healthy pregnancy outcomes

Case Management Outcomes

- 100% of all high risk screenings will be captured
- Assessments will be completed on at least 80% of all pregnant women referred as high risk
- 80% of all PMH women who delivered, will attend their postpartum visit

* Outcomes are not finalized. They are still being negotiated.



Case Management Outcomes

- 100% of women eligible to receive 17P will receive information regarding the program and receive high risk case management
- 80% of women started on 17P will receive 100% of the shots that they are eligible to receive
 - Beginning at 16 weeks gestation through 36 weeks and 6 days

Overall Global Outcomes





- Reduce NICU admission rate from 28.3 to 25.3%
- Reduce Cesarean sections rate from 28.1 to 25.1%

Additional Outcomes





- Reduce number of NICU days
- Increase birth weight
- Decrease number of premature births
- Decrease the infant mortality rate
- Decrease the number of pregnancy related emergency room visits/triage

Current Expenditures

Nursery

 Cases	53,996
 Hospital – Baby	\$29,827,554
 Physician	5,027,408
 Total	\$34,854,962





NICU

 Cases	21,326
 Hospital – Baby	\$132,860,796
 Physician	90,830,694
 Total	\$223,691,490





Projected Expenditures

(after implementation)

Nursery

 Cases	56,256
 Hospital – Baby	\$31,075,797
 Physician	5,237,798
 Total	\$36,313,595

NICU

 Cases	19,066
 Hospital – Baby	\$118,783,134
 Physician	81,206,457
 Total	\$199,989,591



Work in Progress

- Contract Agreements and Amendments
 - DMA/CCNC/DPH/ORH
- Case Management Process
- Systems Changes
 - EIS, MMIS, HP
- Begin recruiting providers 1/1/2011
- Target effective date 3/1/2011

Questions

