

*Home is the place where, when you have to
go there, they have to take you in
-Robert Frost*

Learning Session #1

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Learning Goals

- What is a Medical Home?
- Where to Begin?
 - ◆ Medical Home Improvement
 - ◆ Self assessment
 - ◆ Aim statement
 - ◆ Clear plan for next steps



Are you familiar with / knowledgeable of the *medical home* concept?

- ☐ No knowledge of concept
- ☐ Some knowledge/ not applied
- ☐ Knowledge of concept/ sometimes applied
- ☐ Knowledge/concept regularly applied in practice



... American Academy of Pediatrics... a medical home provides care that is:

- ◆ Accessible
- ◆ Family-Centered
- ◆ Continuous
- ◆ Comprehensive
- ◆ Coordinated
- ◆ Compassionate
- ◆ Culturally Effective

When you hear “*medical home*” what image comes to mind?

*A house
with lots of
medical
equipment
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**Accessible
vacation
homes &
builders?**

**Medical
Equipment
Store
(Medical
Home Depot)?**

***Residential
Facility?***

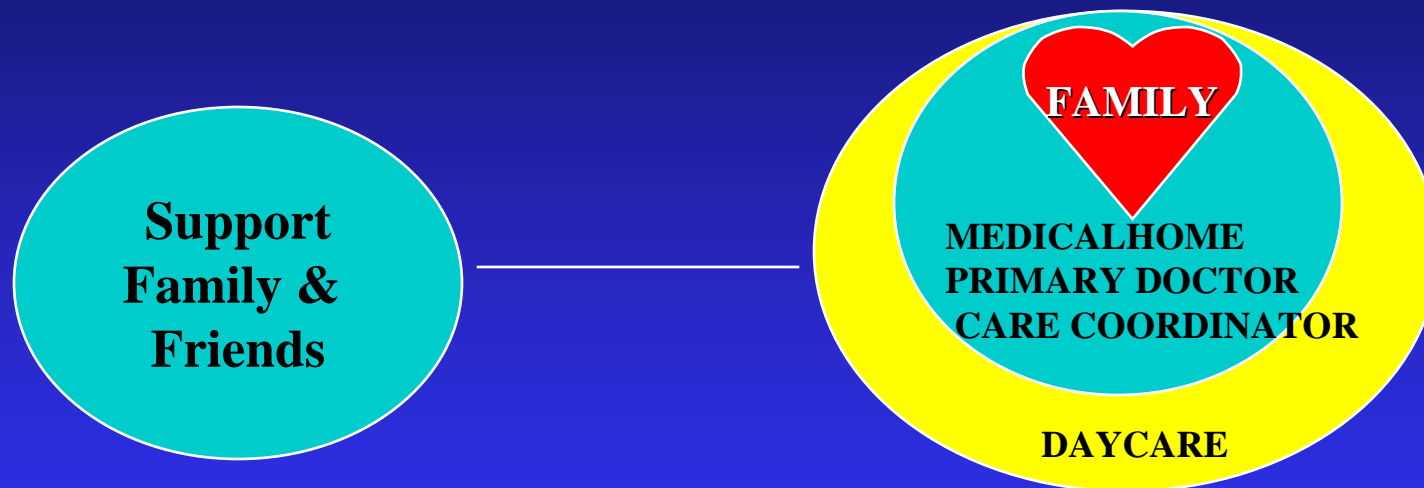
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Our Medical Home Until 1:30 p.m. 2/15/01



And Then... Along Came The Amazing Miss Kate

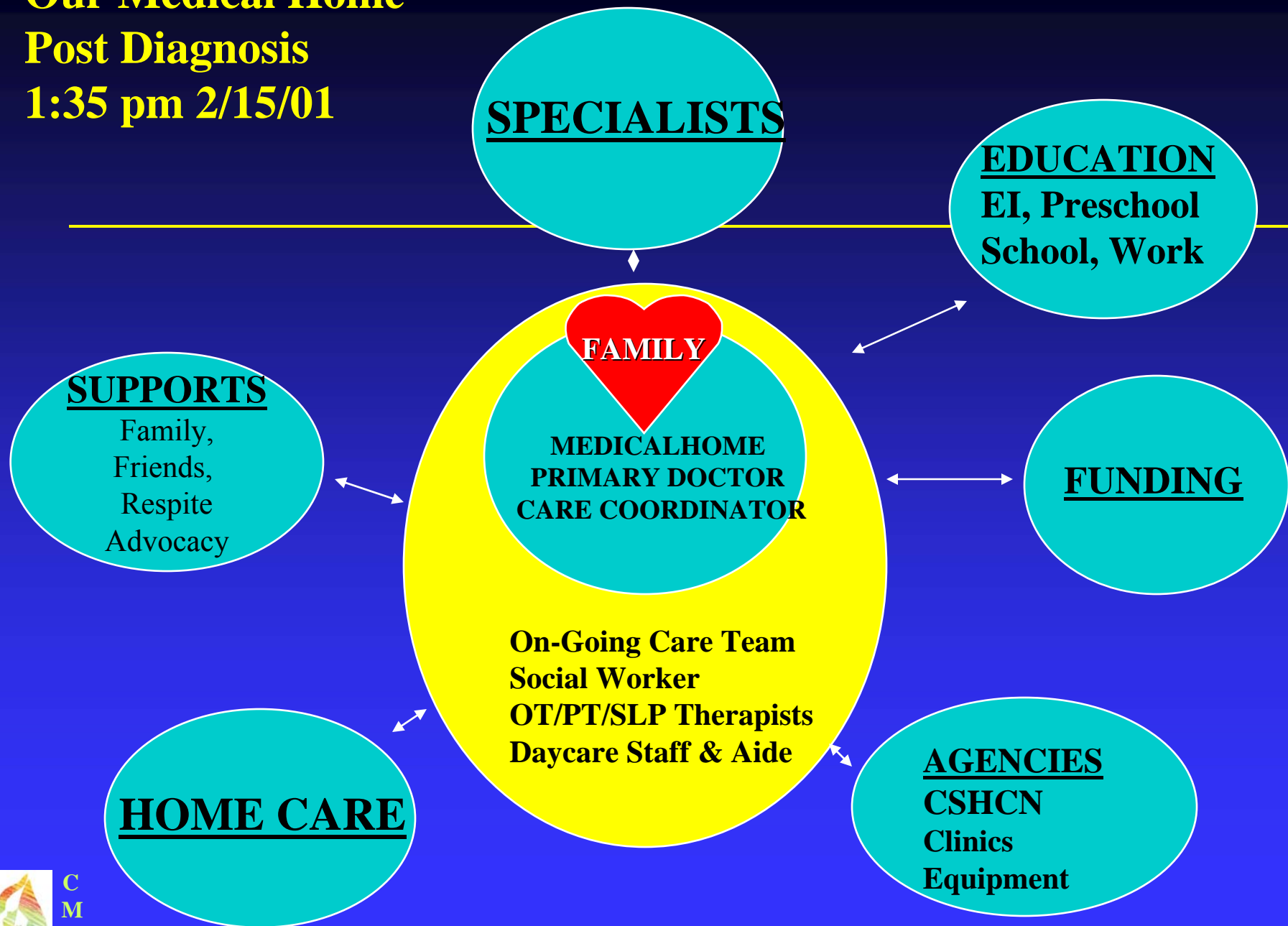


- **Congenital Hydrocephalus**
- **Multiple revisions, infections, complications**
- **Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy**
- **Downright remarkable**

Our Medical Home

Post Diagnosis

1:35 pm 2/15/01



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Explaining the Medical Home



- A **medical home** combines place, process, and people -
 - ◆ the central place where primary care is provided
 - ◆ the process and scope of care in that place, and
 - ◆ the team of people delivering and coordinating care



Explaining the Medical Home



- Patients and families expect that their **medical home** staff will:
 - ◆ know and remember them
 - ◆ respect their ideas, customs and beliefs, and
 - ◆ help them coordinate care and information among multiple professionals and services





Explaining the Medical Home



- The primary care **medical home** strives to improve health outcomes and quality of life for patients and families - while improving the experience of providing healthcare for its office staff



Explaining the Medical Home

- Care received in a **medical home** can be *good, better, or great* depending upon the openness to change and commitment to partner with families/consumers to make things better





Explaining the Medical Home

- Improving care for children or adults with more complex health needs enhances the **medical home** experience for all patients; *medical home* is about practice-wide improvement - not a special, separate primary care





- A “great” **medical home** *declares* itself to be a medical home, and
 - ◆ knows its patients and patient populations
 - ◆ partners with and learns from youth and families
 - ◆ uses a proactive team approach to chronic condition care
 - ◆ planned visits
 - ◆ coordination of complex services
 - ◆ co-management with specialists &
 - ◆ assistance with transitions - especially to adult services
 - ◆ connects with other community-based organizations
 - ◆ offers safe, efficient care while preventing unnecessary or duplicative services, thus reducing health care costs





Who endorses the *medical home* as the model for 21st century primary care?

- The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)
- Family Voices
- American College of Physicians
- United States Maternal and Child Health Bureau (USMCHB)
- Others . . .



Children with Special Health Care Needs are those who have chronic:

- ◆ physical
- ◆ developmental
- ◆ behavioral, or
- ◆ emotional conditions, and
- ◆ require health & related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally
- ◆ About 12-15% of all US children
- ◆ (USMCHB, 97)

Health care experiences of CSHCNs

| | CSHCN | Typical | Average |
|------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Annual school absences | 7.4 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| % with health insurance | 88.8 | 86.4 | 86.8 |
| % with usual source of care | 94.4 | 93.2 | 93.4 |
| % not satisfied with care | 17.9 | 13.6 | 14.7 |
| % with unmet health needs | 12.9 | 6.4 | 7.6 |
| Annual MD contacts | 6.4 | 2.6 | 3.3 |
| Annual hosp days/1000 | 691 | 122 | 225 |

From Newacheck et al. Pediatrics, 102, July 1998

The medical home is best represented by a primary care office...

- ☀ Annual reminders for well child visits w/ a consistent clinician
- ☀ contract phone service translation for all potential language barriers

Or

- ☀ Paper or electronic system to help staff recognize a child who needs to use the practice frequently
- ☀ tools or memory aides help capture the child's history, strengths, assets, any prior special requests and family expertise



... a primary care office:



A. Prepares for the annual visit by ensuring that all age related comprehensive forms are on the front of the chart

Or



B. Completes with the family and shares a care plan for children with more complex issues that consolidates information, treatment, actions & ownership, & to do's in an emergency.



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**Improvement Strategies
in Primary Care...
Why are they needed?**

Medical Home Improvement

Why now?

- More children with chronic conditions
- Home and community-based services preferred
- Fragmented care
 - ◆ Institute of Medicine report
- Healthy People 2010 goal:
 - ◆ “All CSHCNs will receive coordinated, comprehensive care in a medical home”



"We're running a little behind, so I'd like each of you to ask yourself, 'Am I really that sick, or would I just be wasting the doctor's valuable time?'"

Intervention elements

- QI team in each practice
 - ◆ Lead physician
 - ◆ Care coordinator/staff member
 - ◆ Parent Partners (at least 2)
- QI process
 - ◆ Redesigned Care/Changes
 - ◆ Metrics
- Facilitator/consultant
- Learning collaboratively



Building a Medical Home - Step by Step Quality Process:

- 1) Team Establishes starting point
 - ☀ Measurement; Brainstorming; Prioritization
 - Focus area & aim statement
 - Plan Do Study Act –
 - ☀ Small tests of change

- 2) Learn, logical next steps, momentum



Measurement

*Not everything that can
be counted counts,
and not everything that
counts can be counted.*

Albert Einstein



Functional:

- ↓ stress/worry
- ↓ school absence
- ↑ dx/rx information access
- ↑ family care giving competence
- ↑ quality of life

Clinical Value Compass Child, Family & Practice Medical Home Outcomes

Clinical:

- ↑ preventive services for CSCHN
- ↓ illness episodes
- ↓ **acute encounters**



Satisfaction:

- ↑ communication
- ↑ **office CCM**
- ↑ care plan/continuity
- ↑ family involvement

Cost:

- ↓ ER, hospital visits
- ↓ unnecessary specialty & office visits
- ↓ lost parental work time
- ↑ **care coordination activities received**

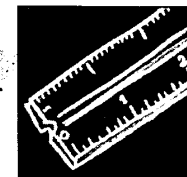


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Achieving “medical homeness”

- MHI measures movement toward a stronger medical home
- 6 Domains, 25 indicators; scale of 1-8
 - ◆ 1) Organizational Capacity
 - ◆ 2) Chronic Condition Management
 - ◆ 3) Care Coordination
 - ◆ 4) Community Outreach
 - ◆ 5) Data Management
 - ◆ 6) Quality Improvement

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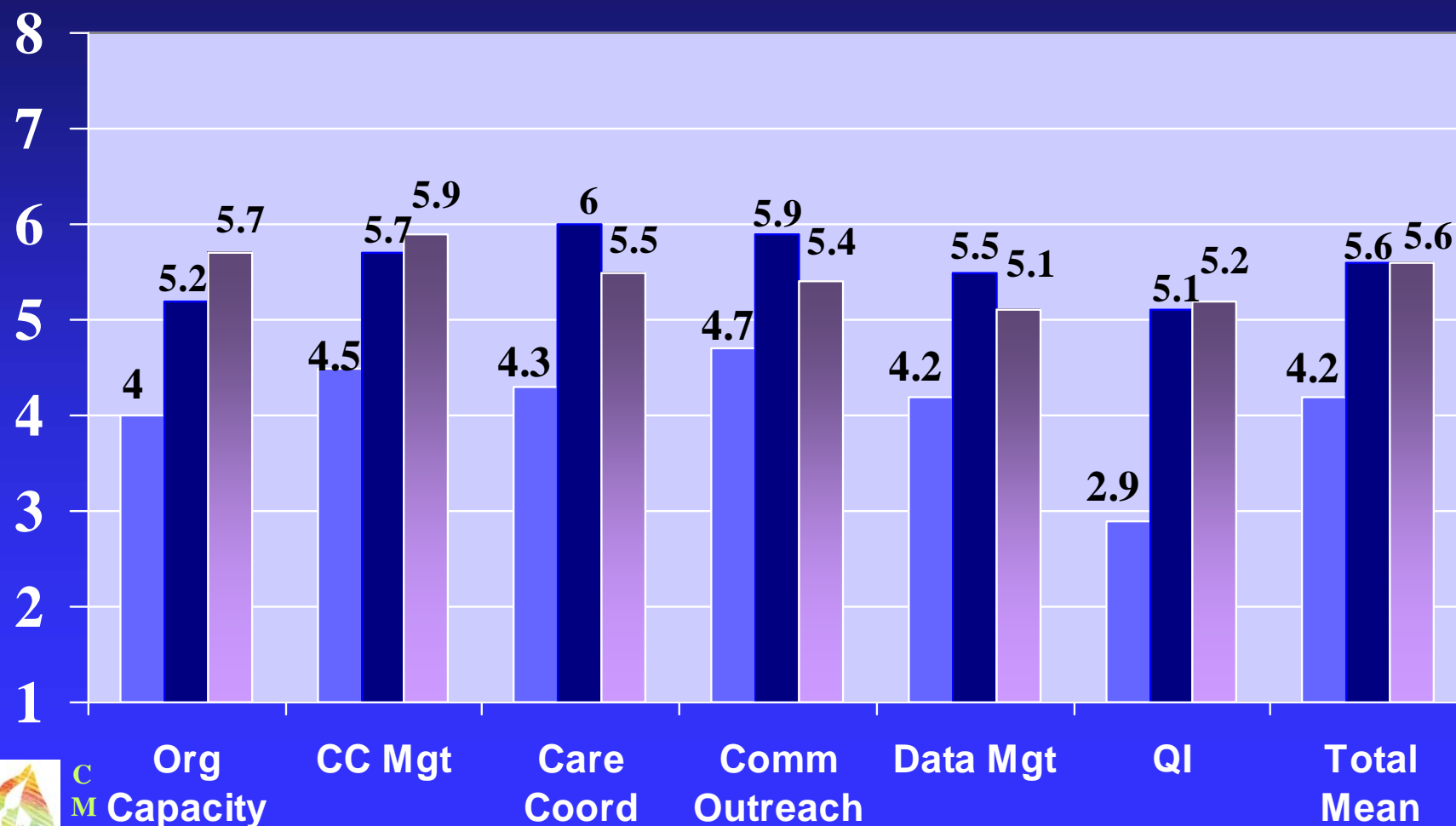


Domain 1 Organizational Capacity (continued): For CSHCN and Their Families

| THEME: | <i>Level 1</i> | <i>Level 2</i> | <i>Level 3</i> | <i>Level 4</i> |
|--|---|--|---|--|
| #1.4 Office Environment <i>Requires both MD & key non-MD staff person's perspective.</i> | <p>Special needs concerning physical access and other visit accommodations are considered at the time of the appointment and are met if possible.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>Assessments are made during the visit of children with special health care needs and the needs of their families; any physical access & other visit accommodation needs are addressed at the visit and are documented for future encounters.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 2, staff ask about any new or pre-existing physical and social needs when scheduling appointments; chart documentation is updated and staff are informed/prepared ahead of time ensuring continuity of care.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 3, key staff identify children scheduled each day with special health care needs, prepare for their visit and assess and document new needs at the visit; an office care coordinator prepares both office staff and the office environment for the visit; s/he advocates for changes (office/environmental) as needed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> |
| #1.5 Family Feedback <i>Requires both MD & key non-MD staff person's perspective.</i> | <p>Family feedback to the <i>practice</i> occurs through external mechanisms such as satisfaction surveys issued by a health plan; this information is not always shared with <i>practice</i> staff.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>Feedback from families of <i>CSHCN</i> is elicited sporadically by individual <i>practice</i> providers or by a suggestion box; this feedback is shared informally with other providers and staff.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>Feedback from families of <i>CSHCN</i> regarding their perception of care is gathered through systematic methods (e.g. surveys, focus groups, or interviews); there is a process for staff to review this feedback and to begin problem solving.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 3, an advisory process is in place with families of <i>CSHCN</i> which helps to identify needs and implement creative solutions; there are tangible supports to enable families to participate in these activities (e.g. childcare or parent stipends).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> |
| #1.6 Cultural Competence | <p>The <i>primary care provider (PCP)</i> attempts to overcome obstacles of language, literacy, or personal preferences on a case by case basis when confronted with barriers to care.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 1, resources and information are available for families of the most common diverse cultural backgrounds; others are assisted individually through efforts to obtain translators or to access information from outside sources.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 2, materials are available and appropriate for non-English speaking families, those with limited literacy; these materials are appropriate to the developmental level of the child/young adult.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> | <p>In addition to Level 3, family assessments include pertinent cultural information, particularly about health beliefs; this information is incorporated into care plans; the <i>practice</i> uses these encounters to assess patient & community cultural needs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE</p> |

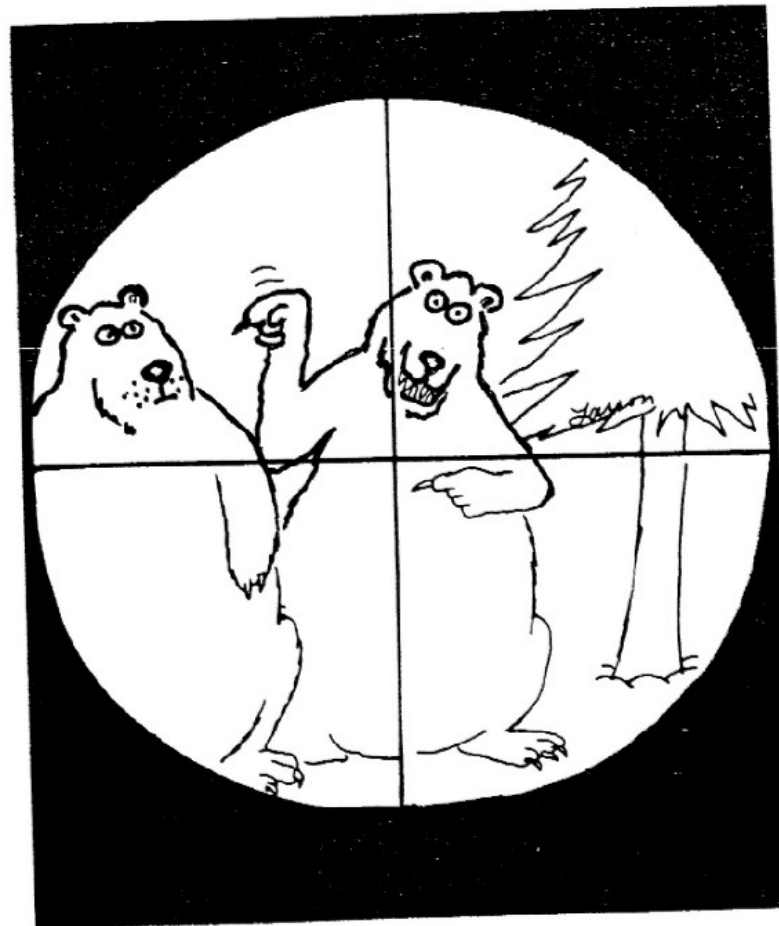
Medical Home Index: Mean Item Scores (MHIP 8 sites Fall 2001, 2002, and 2003)

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What do your Parent Partners tell you?



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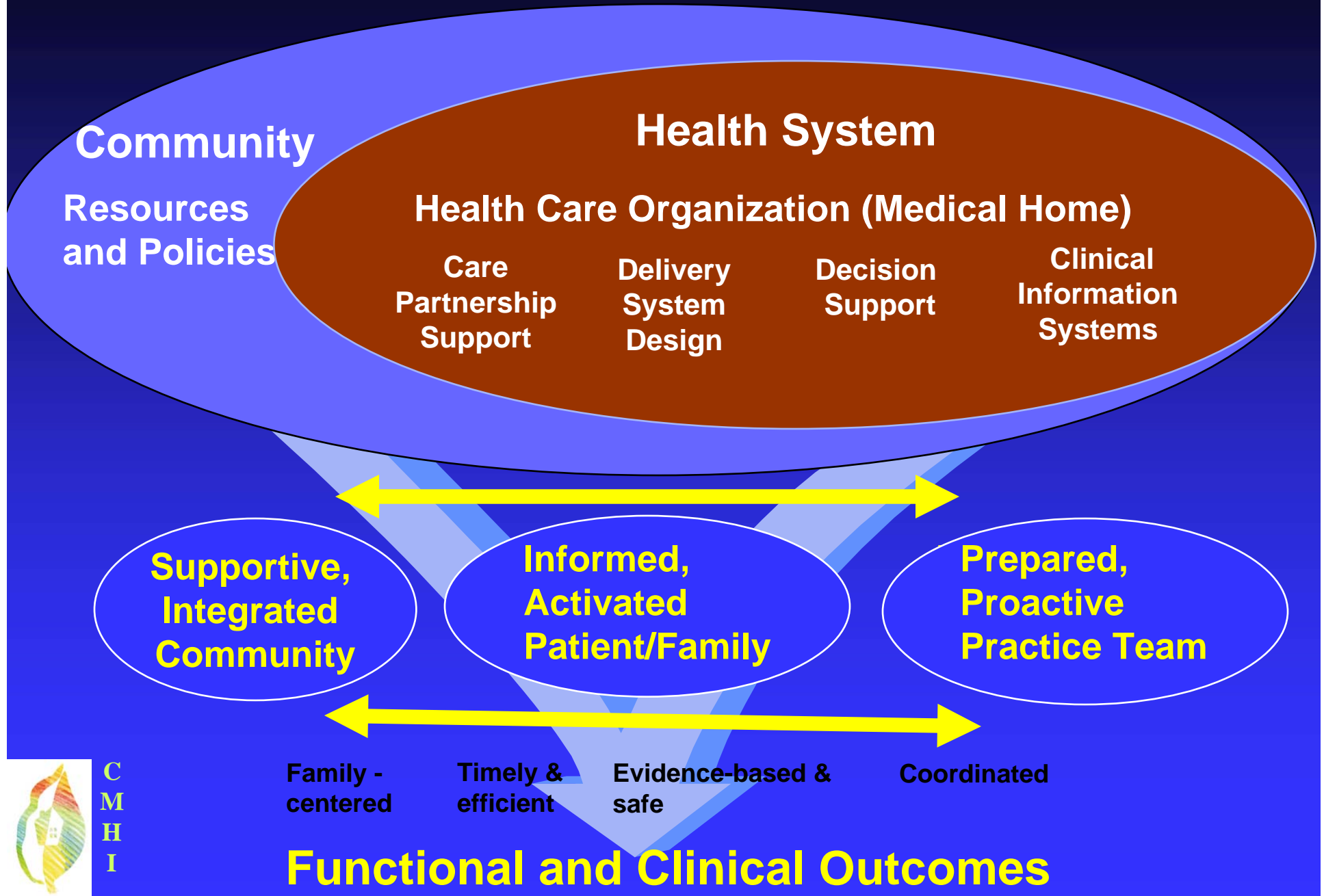
“We would like a Medical Home that”

- Develops a written summary of critical information (care plan)
- Offers a collaborative family-centered team approach
- Has a developed process to integrate and coordinate multiple services



The Care Model

Care Model for Child Health in a Medical Home





Care Model for Child/Patient Health in a Medical Home

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Community | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ Meet with and gain knowledge of community "partners"✱ Catalog community resources; list key contact persons |
| Health System | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ Gain/have commitment of health care system senior leaders to establish & institute quality care standards for CYSHCN✱ Create strategy to negotiate with plans maximizing reimbursement for medical home visits/care delivery |
| Care Partnership Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ <u>#1</u> Engage parents as partners at the practice level✱ Use tools to facilitate youth's access to transition resources and transition to adult life and healthcare. |
| Delivery System Design | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ <u>#4</u> Develop strategy & identify specific roles to ensure practice-based care coordination and team communication✱ <u>#3</u> Create and offer planned visits using pre-visit assessments and information organization; select and use care plans and a care planning process with families |
| Decision Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ Co-manage care with specialists & choose information exchange methods (fax-back, email, web-based systems)✱ Identify, select and use evidence based practice guidelines |
| Clinical Information Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✱ <u>#2</u> Identify CYSHCN (definition &/or CSHCN screener)✱ Build and use a registry to enroll identified CSHCN; use visit reminders, supported care planning delivery, and monitor needs and outcomes |

- 1) Parents
- 2) Population
- 3) Planned care
- 4) Care coordination



Organizations Citing Care Coordination as Crucial to Delivery of Quality Care

- AAP/USMCHB/AAFP (policy papers)
- Family Voices
- **IOM**
 - ◆ **Crossing the Quality Chasm & f/u Report**
- Commonwealth Fund
- Future of Children (RWJ)
- Care Model (Improving Chronic Care)
- Individual authors (e.g. Starfield, Antonelli)
- Others...



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Care Coordination in a Medical Home (Definition)

- Practice-based care coordination is a direct, family/youth-centered, team oriented, outcomes focused process designed to:
 - ◆ Facilitate access to health care and other resources
 - ◆ Ensure ongoing pro-active care planning
 - ◆ Build community connections
 - ◆ Improve and sustain quality:
 - ◆ Of life – for child/youth (patient) and family
 - ◆ Of care – within the medical home (system)



(CMHI, 2005)

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Cultural Effectiveness

Family Centeredness . . .



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