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Mapping RCM Workflows to Technology Automation and Best Practices

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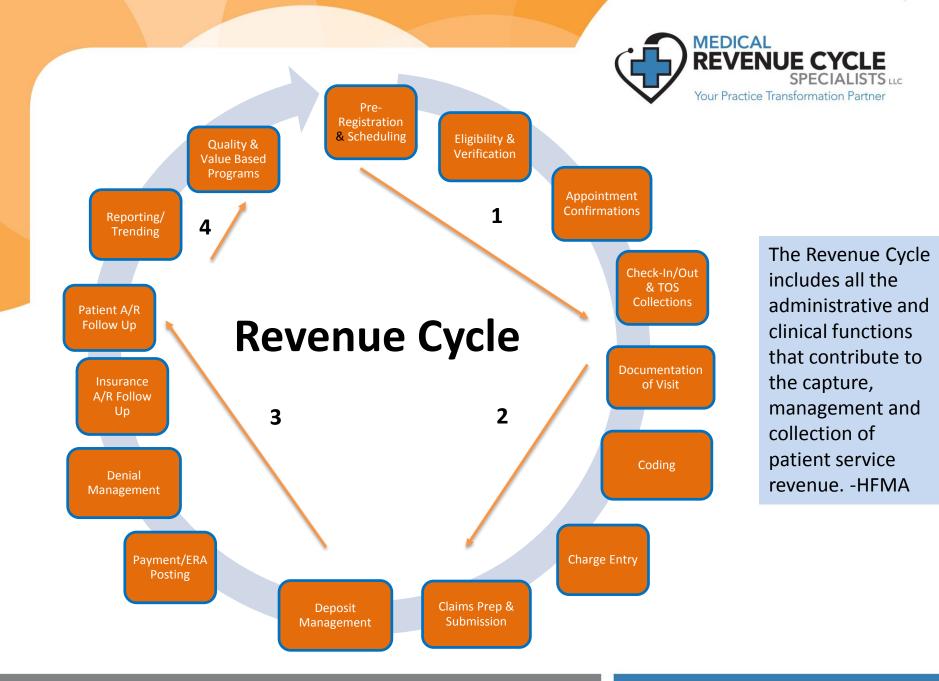
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Learning Objectives

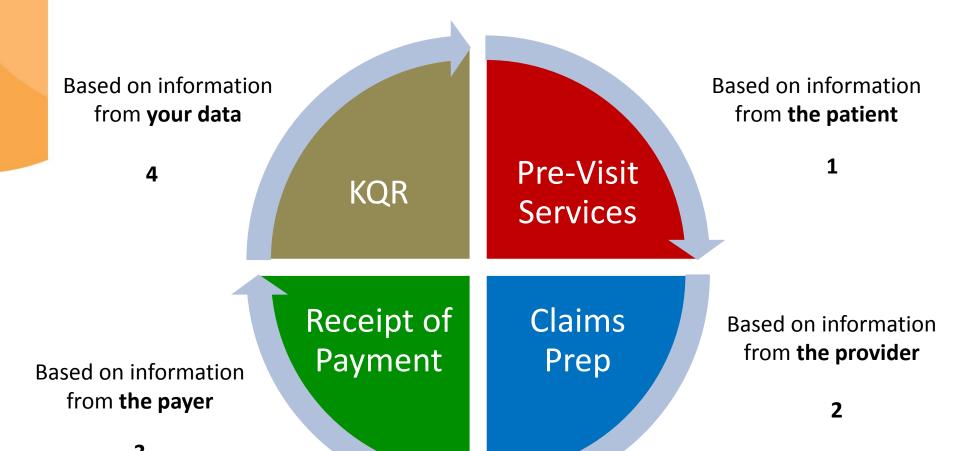


- Map Revenue Cycle model to technology and best practices
- 2. Formulate Revenue Cycle improvement strategies for your organization
- 3. Generate actionable tactics for RCM success





Revenue Cycle Quadrants



1st Quadrant – Patient Access



PM software schedule & eForms templates

Pre-Registration & Scheduling

Interfaced merchant services

Check In/Out & TOS Collections

Eligibility & Verification

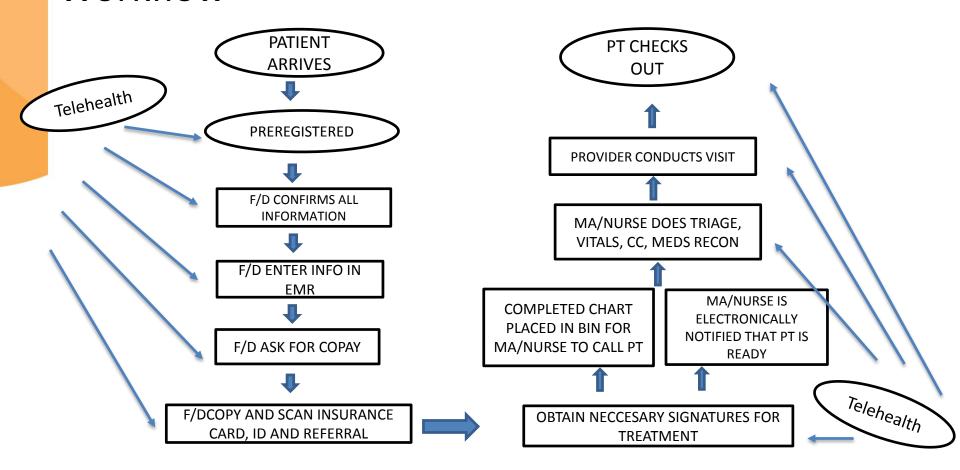
Appointment Confirmation

Automated text, email, calls

PM software/ clearinghouse eligibility / batch process

Recalibrate Registration Workflow





Patient Engagement & Education















2nd Quadrant – Mid Cycle



Customized note templates & smart phrases

Documentation

of Visit

Encoding & electronic code databases

Claims Prep & Submission

Clearinghouse

interface

Coding

Charge Entry

Charges pulled from notes

Charge Capture Reconciliation TOS Payment Posting



Locked Notes Report Missing Slips Report

Kept and Cancelled Appointments

Unscheduled Testing

Patient	Marth Nader	
DOS	12/31/2019	
Post Date	12/31/2019	
Payment Type	Copay	
Method	Credit Card	
Payment Amount	\$50.00	
Apply To		
Unapplied	11/12/2019 \$50.00	
Unapplied	10/10/2019 \$50.00	
Save & new	Apply Now	Print
Save	Cancel	Receipt

3rd Quadrant – Back End



Electronic reconciliation reports Deposit Management **Flectronic** Secure **Funds Transfer** credit card (EFT) and auto-posting on file Patient A/R Payment Follow Up **Posting**

Account Notes, Flags & Reminders Insurance A/R Follow Up

Denial Management

Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA)

Denial Management



Table 1	Table 12.3 Preventable Denials					
CARC	Description	Resolution				
96	Non-covered charges.	Prior to performing or billing a service, ensure that the service is				
		covered under Medicare. Please refer to the CMS Internet-Only				
		Manual, 100-02, Chapter 16. ⁷³				
49	Payment is denied when	Ensure that provider setup in the PM system includes alignment of				
	performed/ billed by this type of	taxonomy to specialty.				
	provider.					
97	The benefit for this service is	Verify prior to service being rendered whether the service being				
	included in the payment or	billed is bundled into payment for another service or considered part				
	allowance for another service or	of a global surgical package, or part of a more comprehensive				
	procedure that has already been	service already billed.				
	adjudicated.					
50	These are non-covered services	Follow Medicare guidelines, national and local coverage				
	because this is not deemed a	determinations for the service billed. Education of Medicare changes				
	"medical necessity" by the payer.	will assist in this process. When applicable, utilize ABNs. ⁷⁴				

4th Quadrant – KPIs





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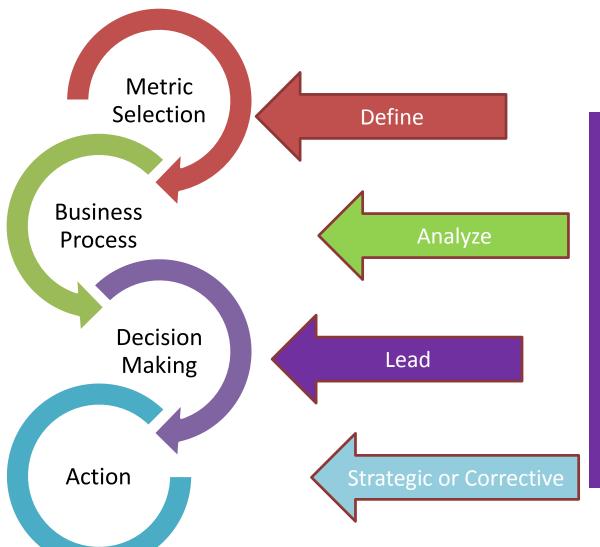
A/R, CPT, Payer Mix & Custom

> Quality & Value Based Programs

> > Dashboards, tracking quality measures & HCC

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)





"Key Performance
Indicators (KPIs)
are defined as
metrics used to
measure key
business processes
and reflect
strategic
performance."
-Becker's Hospital
Review

Value Based Programs



Billing and Coding staff are not routinely included in Value Based Program planning and participation □ Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP)
 □ Quality Payment Program (QPP)
 □ Merit-based Incentive Program (MIPS)
 □ MIPS Value Pathways (MVPs)
 □ APM Performance Pathways (APP)

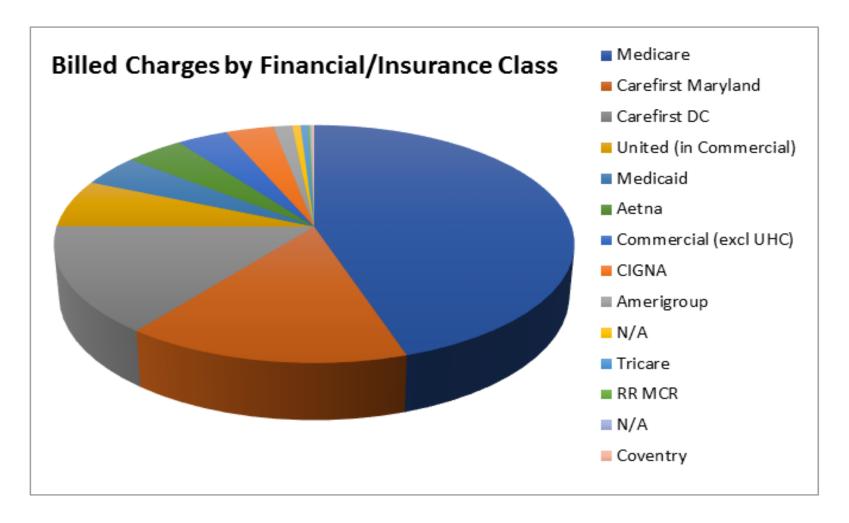
Fee for Service Value Based Care Pay for Performance



RCM Focus Areas

Payer Mix Report







Fee Schedule Report

CPT Codes	Description	Charge	Medicare	Payer #1	Volume	VCC Deduct	Value Based ADJ + or -
99203	NP L3	145.00	117.01	125.00	400		
99204	NP L4	220.00	177.92	190.00	300		
99205	NP L5	250.00	223.39	239.00	1500		
99213	Estab L3	100.00	80.46	70.00	750		
99214	Estab L4	125.00	117.58	119.00	100		
99215	Estab L5	150.00	157.40	160.00	1200		
93000	EKG w/Interp	50.00	18.65	25.00	500		
94010	Spiro w/TC mod	50.00	30.06	Not listed	475		
99354	Prolonged / 1st hr	160.00	139.94	32.00	15		
99490	CCM 20 min	75.00	44.88	38.00	10		
99491	CCM 30 in	120.00	88.83	100.00	5		
99495	TCM Med complex	200.00	177.78	150.00	275		
99496	TCM High complex	300.00	250.82	275.00	2		



End of Month Report Options

- ☐ Gross Charges
- Net Collections
- ☐ CPT Productivity
- ☐ Top Diagnostic Services
- ☐ Referring Providers
- ☐ Patient Zip Codes
- ☐ Aging Buckets
 - ☐ Insurance and Patients

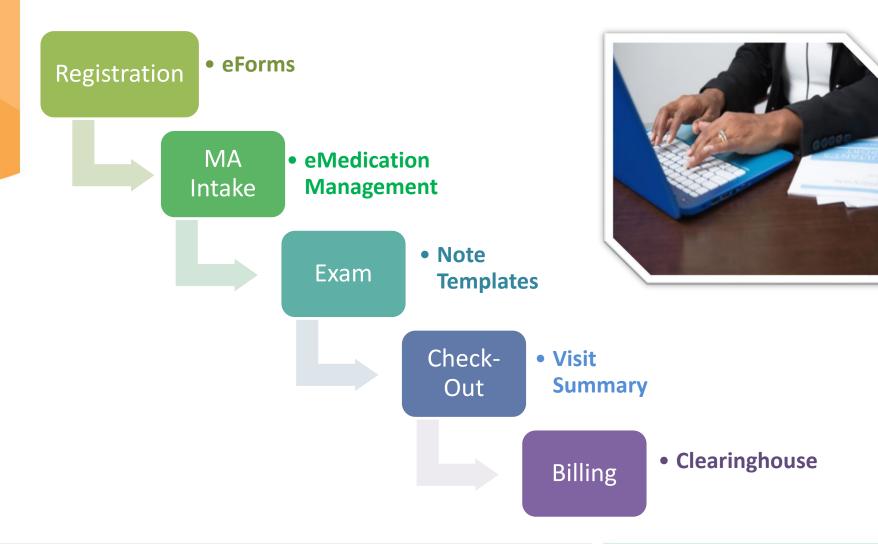
- ☐ Payer Mix and Financial Class
- ☐ Contractual Adjustments
- Non-Contractual Adjustments
- ☐ Site Productivity
- ☐ Provider Productivity
- ☐ Time of Service Collections

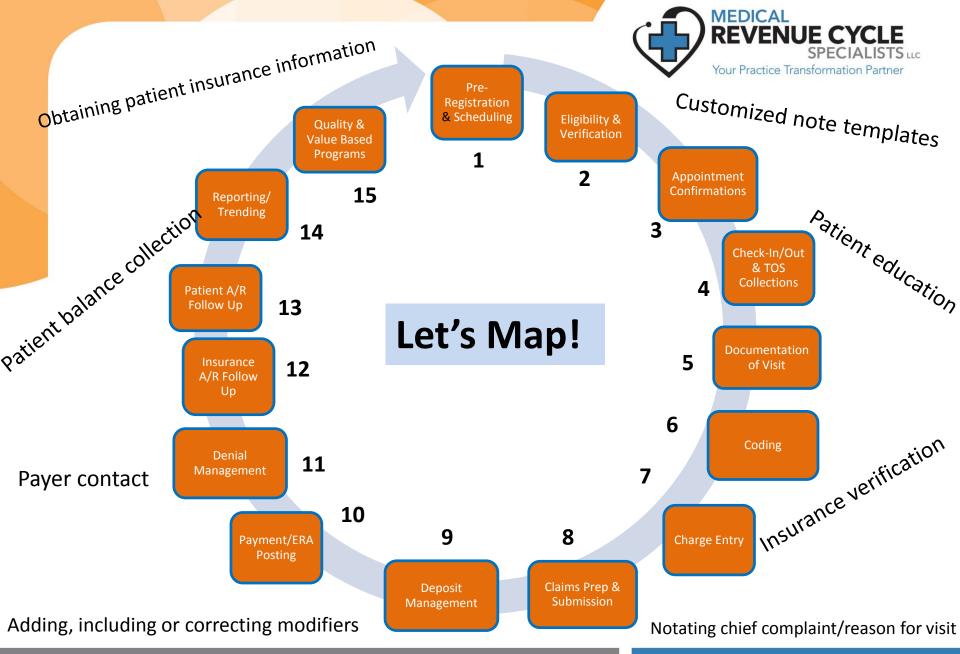


Revenue Integrity Innovation through Mapping Workflows to Technology

Mapping Workflows to Technology







Use of Tech & Structured Data



To meet MIPS, APM and other Value Based Program requirements be sure to pull interfaced telehealth medical record information into your EHR in a manner consistent with structured data.

Using Structured Data allows you to pull EMR/PM software data into dashboards and reports.



Select & Implement the Right Technology

- Assess your equipment needs and plan to upgrade periodically. Include warranties with your purchase.
- Determine a budget for equipment and software/licensing and ongoing support services.
- Align your telehealth equipment and peripherals with your telehealth services. (devices, technology, internet capacity/bandwidth by referral sites)
- Assess whether there are differences in technical capability and connectivity to consider if multiple sites are involved.
- Identify a staff or technical resources to TEST your equipment and connectivity prior to go-live and regularly afterward.















Internal Assessments for Maximizing RCM Workflow Efficiency

Internal Assessments



- Why? To document and analyze workflows to identify gaps, areas of improvement and successes
- How?
 - Document key functions throughout the organization
 - Identify and focus on high priority areas
 - Document leader, processes and required improvements
- When? Monthly, Quarterly, Annually
- Where? Key functions can be found in Standard Operating Procedure manuals or by conducting staff desk audits



Site Profitability Tool



	Total Patient		Charges		Adjustments		Net Collections		Expenses	
Comparisons	Visits									
	Site 1	Site 2	Site 1	Site 2	Site 1	Site 2	Site 1	Site 2	Site 1	Site 2
Prior Year										
Trailing Year										
Year to Date										





	Response
CPT Volumes	
Payer Mix	
Areas of Concern	
# of Encounters per Provider	
Place of Service	
Prospective Review	
Retrospective Review	
Provider Types	
Specialty	
EMR/PM Software	

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Practice Area	Observation
Internal Controls	
CLIA	
HIPAA Training	
HIPAA Policy Manual	
Notice of Privacy Practices	
BA List & Business Associate Agreements	
Security Risk Assessment	
Red Flags Policy	
Billing Compliance Manual (OIG)	
Transporting PHI between Sites	
Medical Record Destruction/Shredding	
Equipment Destruction	

Areas to Review in Your Organization REVENUE CYCLE

Your Practice Transformation Partner

Prioritize TCM, CCM, Advanced Care Planning, AWV billing

Check NPPES database info & Taxonomy codes

> HIPAA SRA (Telehealth & remote workers)

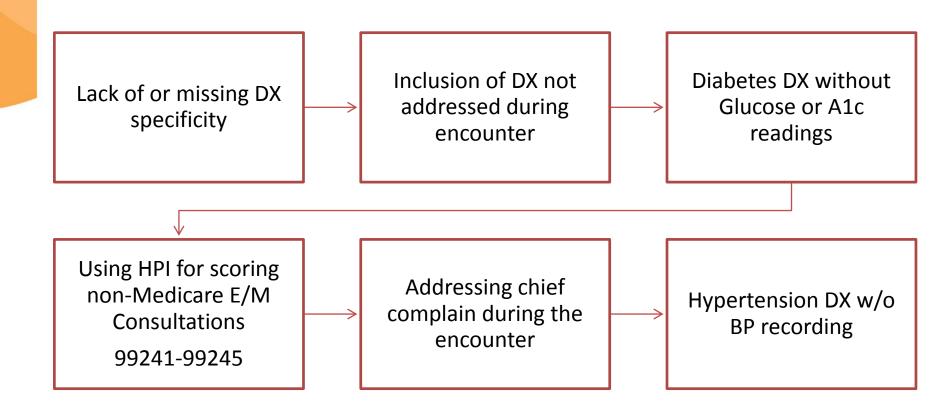
Stay Updated with Health Department COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates

Liability
coverage
review for
Cyber liability &
Worker's Comp

OSHA (COVID Safety Precautions)









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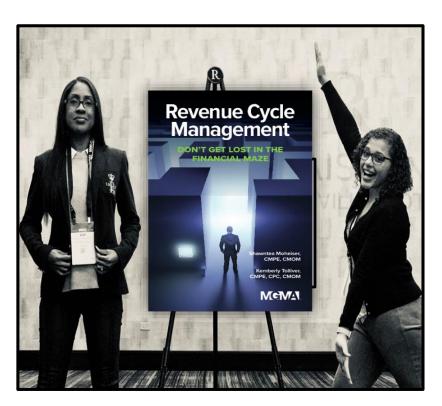
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