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PCC Better Health – NOW Campaign Meeting

Tuesday, January 21st, 2025 | 2:45 – 3:20 PM ET

agenda

I.	Welcome	Larry McNeely, & Ann Greiner Primary Care Collaborative
II.	Preserving a Medicare Hybrid Pay Option: ACO PC Flex	PCC Team
III.	Round-Robin: Organizational Priorities for New Congress & New Administration	All Participants

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Upcoming PCC Events

Larry McNeely & Ann Greiner| Primary Care Collaborative

Save the Date



SCALING

What Works for Better Health

PCC Conference 2025

CALENDAR HOLD

June 4-5, 2025
Washington, DC

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Preserving a Medicare Hybrid Pay Option: ACO PC Flex

Larry McNeely | Primary Care Collaborative

ACO PC Flex – Promising Features

- Available in MSSP
- Hybrid Payment (Upfront PMPM + FFS)
- Increased investment
- Guardrails to ensure $ reach PC

ACO PC Flex – Improvements Needed

May 9 PCC Better Health – NOW Letter to CMMI Called for

- Cost-Sharing Relief (statutory change needed!)
- Comprehensive, Integrated Care:
  - Track use, expenditures on Behav Health & Community Health Integration
  - Consider well-designed tiered payment in years 2-5
- Eligibility: Explore additional application period
- Consumer + Frontline clinician engagement: working to get consumer groups' suggestions

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ACO PC Flex – PY 1 Participation

- 18,538 Providers + 1079 FQHCs, RHCs & CAHs
- 37 States – 24 ACOs
- 394,513 Aligned Beneficiaries

NOTE: Rate Book Released Late – May Have Hampered Participation

PCC Statement: Commends Participants, Urges Bolder Action

"The launch of the ACO Primary Care Flex program on January 1 is an important step forward – helping Medicare primary care teams move from a fractured, unpredictable payment system toward one that provides much needed stability.

"We particularly congratulate the nearly 19,000 clinicians and the more than 1000 clinics, health centers and critical access hospitals for taking action to strengthen care teams and deliver better care for their patients.

"This exciting new program—which PCC and its members urged the CMS Innovation Center to launch—will provide insights into the effectiveness of hybrid payment structures within the Medicare Shared Savings Program.

"We urge Congress and the Administration to assure broad availability of hybrid payment alternatives – a mix of prospective and fee-for-service payment — that invest more in primary care and equips practices to better meet America's chronic disease challenges."

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Round-Robin: Organizational Priorities for New Congress & New Administration

All Participants

Potential HHS Leaders

- **Robert F. Kennedy Jr.** : Secretary of HHS
- **Jim O'Neill**: Deputy Secretary of HHS
- **Janette Nesheiwat, MD:** Surgeon General
- **Heather Flick**: HHS Chief of Staff
- **Stefanie Spear**: HHS Dep. Chief of Staff

Reported CMS Leaders

- **Mehmet Oz, MD**: CMS Administrator
- **John Brooks**: CMS Chief Operating Officer
- **Stephanie Carlton**: CMS Chief of Staff
- **Drew Synder**: Director, CMCS
- **Abe Sutton**: Director, CMMI
- **Chris Klomp**: Director, CM
- **Alec Aramanda**: Deputy to Chris Klomp

Reported White House Roles

Domestic Policy Council

- **Vince Haley**: Director, Domestic Policy Council
- **Theo Merkel**: Special Asst. to the President
- **Heidi Overton, MD**: Dep. Asst. to the President

Office of Management and Budget

- **Don Dempsey**, Assoc. Dir for Health Care

National Economic Council:

- **Joel Zinberg, MD**, Spec Asst. to the President