

# *Patient Panel Coordinators,*

## ◆ *CoreLife, and Stay Home Safely*

CCN Member Resource Briefing III  
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# What We'll Cover

After you complete this module, you'll know more about:

What patient panel coordinators do and how they improve patient outcomes and practice performance across the CCN.

How to maximize benefit from PCCs.

# Answering Your Needs: You Told Us; We Heard You

Busy practice life: you spend all day and evening seeing patients, charting, doing refills, reviewing results. Yet you are also responsible for all patients attributed to you, and there is a dashboard telling you which ones are failing their measures. By the time you get to that task, you're exhausted and it's too late at night to contact anybody. These patients are not on the patient portal, so you can't send them an email. **It would be great if someone else scrubbed those dashboards for you, and contacted these patients, using prescribed protocols that made you confident that the work is being done right.**

*This is a familiar scenario in everyday medical practice.*

# Patient Panel Coordinators

The CCN provides patient panel coordinators (PPCs) to do this work for you, behind the scenes.

PPCs are first being used at the CCN primary care practices, where CCN patients are most heavily attributed. Key specialty practices will follow. *Since a single patient may be attributed to several CCN specialties, any work the PPC does to improve primary care and key specialty dashboard scores will improve other CCN member scores.*

Practices are assigned a regular PPC who will meet with you individually at a time that is convenient for you.

# So How Does This Work?

The PPC will analyze your dashboard and remove the patients that are deceased, have moved away, or have moved on to other physicians.

She will condense the dashboard findings so that you have a short list of patients that need help.

The two of you then decide how best to reach out to those patients. She will do the outreach or direct your staff to do it, whichever is more efficient.

Everyone has a style, and your patients appreciate that. The PPC will work with you to preserve that style when she does outreach.

# Typical Workflows a PPC Develops with You Regarding Patients with Care Gaps

We've provided the PPCs with patient-facing scripts and have coached them on what to say and what not to say. Feel free to review the scripts.

When they reach out to patients, they identify themselves as working with you, and that they are carrying out your orders.

Examples of questions the PPCs will ask you:

How do you want me to handle patients who need a mammogram?

Do you offer FIT if average-risk patients don't want colonoscopy?

How often do you think this particular patient needs a visit?

Is it okay if I order the lab test for you?

You haven't seen this patient in 2 years, is it safe to assume he's moved on?

Can I suggest a new workflow for office staff so that we can find the results of this screening test more easily next time?

I've identified some non-medical issues and/or health needs. Shall we connect the patient to One Call Care Management?

# How to Optimize the PPC Role In Your Practice

- Agree on a time she comes to visit you, weekly or biweekly or monthly
- If you have distinct preferences about anything, let her know, early on.
- If she offers you alternative workflow suggestions, please consider them. It may save you and your staff much more time later.
- If you know certain patients require certain types of interactions, let her know so that you both will succeed.
- Take a look at her prescribed scripts so that you feel confident in the interaction she has with the patient.
- Make sure your practice staff members understand the PPC role and that she is not enlisted to do work that is not directly related to managing patients in your panel. She won't displace other practice staff members.



## Weight Loss Healthcare

- ▶ An Integrated Obesity Care Pathway of the Collaborative Care Network

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# Practice Overview

- Community-based, multidisciplinary healthcare clinic that combines and coordinates the core disciplines necessary to treat overweight, obesity, and their underlying behavioral factors
- 16+ Clinics in Maryland
- Staffed with MDs, CRNPs, RDs, RNs, CPTs, LCSWs
- Built as a resource and pathway for PCPs, Surgeons, and Specialists

# Typical Layout

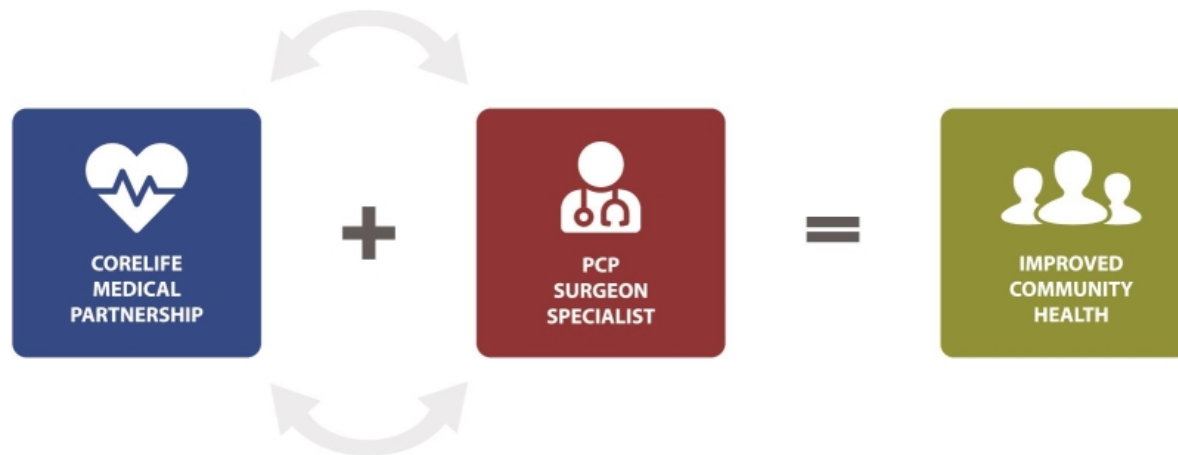


# Patient experience

- Patients follow a standard process of evaluation leading to a specific care plan:
  - Medical history and assessment
  - Lab and diagnostic testing
  - Nutrition assessment and plan
  - Exercise assessment and plan
  - Habits/Behavior assessment and plan
- Our care team, headed by the medical provider, develops a unique care plan for the patient
- This care plan is carried out on a weekly or biweekly basis

# Partnering with healthcare providers

- Work in complement with PCPs, Specialists, and Surgeons
- Provides a resource and pathway that did not previously exist
- Customizable communication flow
- Dedicated provider liaisons in the community



# Some important distinctions



## CORELIFE IS...

- ▶ Complementary and supportive to PCPs, specialists, and surgeons
- ▶ Focused on coordinating the best care
- ▶ A touchpoint for high risk patients
- ▶ Driving unassigned patients to a PCP
- ▶ Exclusively focusing on weight reduction and lifestyle modification
- ▶ Working with the PCP as the central provider in the patient's healthcare ecosystem
- ▶ Operating a unique, proven model that achieves long-term successful outcomes

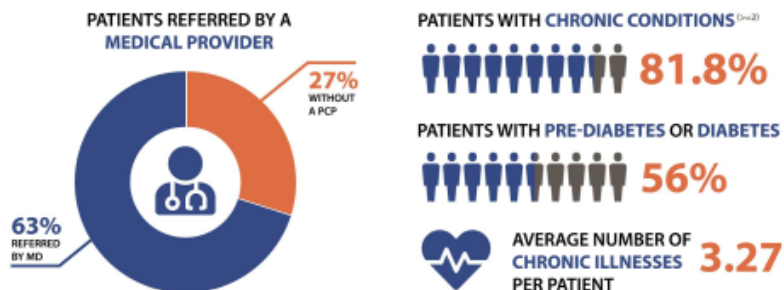
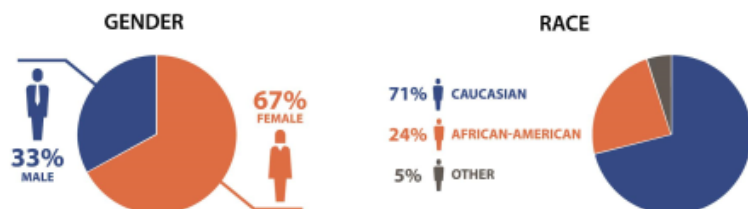


## CORELIFE IS NOT...

- ▶ A primary care office
- ▶ A competitor to primary care or bariatric surgery
- ▶ Acting as a primary care physician
- ▶ Changing or altering existing medications
- ▶ Treating anything other than overweight and obesity
- ▶ Using full meal replacement programs or VLCD's
- ▶ Using medication as a solution to weight loss  
- will only be used as a short term tool where appropriate
- ▶ A one size fits all approach
- ▶ Hospital-based - it is a community-based infrastructure

# Patient Profile & Outcome Data

## PATIENT PROFILE DATA



Tracking Outcomes: ConLife tracks detailed profile, treatment, and workflow outcome data on more than 250,000 patient visits over a 72-month period.

## PATIENT OUTCOME DATA



AVERAGE NEW PATIENT BMI

AVERAGE BMI DECREASE

↓ 16.4%



AVERAGE HbA1C REDUCTION

↓ 1.58bps

High HbA1C at baseline was associated with a greater reduction in HbA1C.



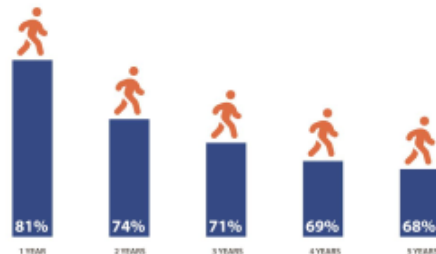
AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME ENGAGED

73% PATIENTS THAT ACHIEVE PREDETERMINED GOAL<sup>1,2</sup>



76% PATIENTS THAT ACHIEVE PREDETERMINED BMI<sup>1,2</sup>

PATIENTS THAT MAINTAIN BMI AFTER GOAL<sup>4</sup>



1. Excluding 10% of patients that drop out of program within first 5 weeks.

2. Measured as BMI < 30.0 kg/m².

3. A predetermined goal may be varying or multiple for varying, an improved health outcome, improving other comorbidities, specifically untreated, reducing or eliminating medications, improving overall health profile, etc.

# Referral Process

- To learn more about CoreLife, referring patients, and becoming connected to a CoreLife Physician Liaison please contact:
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# Stay Home Safely

- ▶ A Medically based home safety pathway of the Collaborative Care Network

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# Stay Home Safely's Mission

- Our mission is to provide individuals of all ages with the opportunity to safely and independently remain in their home for as long as possible through home modifications

# What is home modification and why is it important

- Home modification is an **adaptation** of the **permanent physical features** of the structure of the **home** which makes tasks easier, reduces accidents, and supports independent living.

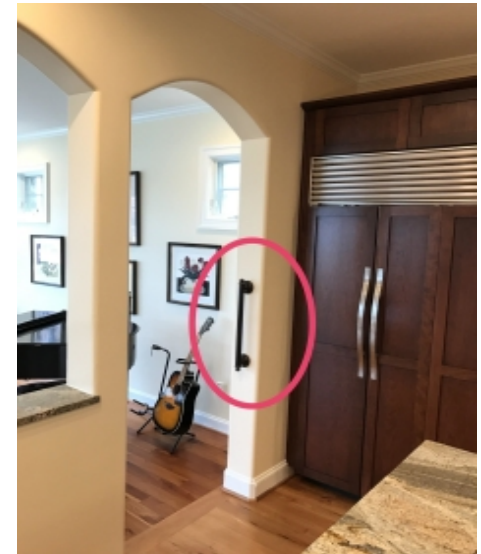
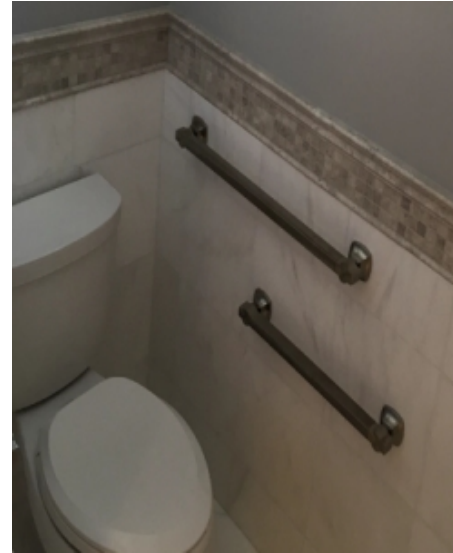


# Stay Home Safely Overview

- We observe how an individual is functioning in their home environment and make recommendations to increase independence and reduce fall risk
- All assessments and recommendations are performed by **Certified Aging in Place Specialists** who are also **licensed physical therapists**

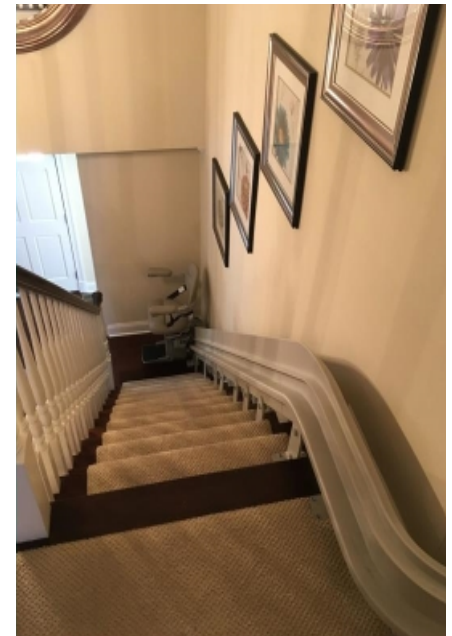
# Home Modifications

- Grab bars
- Bathroom safety (zero entry showers, elevated commodes, toilet hand rails, hand held showerhead, shower and tub seats)
- Non-slip floor resurfacing
- Elevators , stair lifts and vertical platform lifts
- Exterior railings and ramps
- Kitchen modifications
- Relocation of master bedroom and bath to first floor
- Modifications to support wheelchair accessibility



# Services Included:

- Individualized home assessment and plan
- Purchase, delivery and installation of safety products
- Patient education and training on home safety equipment/modifications and activities of daily living
- **Preparing the home for a safe discharge from hospital or rehab facility**



# Who do we serve?



- People of all ages
- Progressive neurological disorders  
(ex. Parkinson's disease, MS, CVA, ataxia)
- Orthopedic conditions and joint replacements
- Generalized deconditioning or changes in functional status

# How does our Process Work?

- Home interview with client and family to establish client's functional limitations and goals
- Thorough assessment of client's interior and exterior living spaces
- Written report of prioritized recommendations
- Stay Home Safely is MHIC licensed and insured allowing us to oversee all small and large home modification projects
- Patient education and training on home modifications
- Follow up with referring physician

# How to connect your patient with Stay Home Safely:

- Call: **443-679-6200**
- Email: **info@stayhomesafely.com**



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