Creating A High-Value Health Care System

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What’s Ailing Our System

- Fragmented System of Health Care
- Payment Aligned with Volume not Value
- Lack of Accountability
- 30% of Spending Wasted (misuse; overuse)
- Health care inequities across racial and ethnically diverse populations
Reorganizing the Delivery System

• Focus on prevention and effective management of chronic disease

• Silos of Care → Coordination of care

• Promote patient-centered equitable care

• Support/expand primary care services (medical home)

• Setting the bar for performance (explicit goals and priorities)
Critical Areas of Focus to Create a High-Value Health Care System

Creating an Integrated Coordinated Approach to Health Care Delivery:

- Promoting care coordination and patient centered care by designating a medical home
- Supporting other primary care delivery models
- Developing targeted interventions for meeting the needs of racially and ethnically diverse populations
Focus on Prevention, Early Intervention and Wellness:

• Refocusing our health care system on keeping people healthy, intervening early, and providing coordinated care for chronic conditions

• Additional proactive steps need to be taken to identify individuals at risk for chronic conditions, help them access care, and encourage them to maintain healthy lifestyles
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Making Targeted Investments in our Public Health Infrastructure:

- Our public health infrastructure needs to be better positioned to implement strategies that prevent or ameliorate health care concerns and promote well being and healthy lifestyles as part of health care reform.

- Work collaboratively on initiatives that will have a demonstrable impact on improving health equity.
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Improving Care Nationwide by Adopting Uniform Standards for Quality, Reporting, and Information Technology:

• AHIP strongly supports the investments in health information technology that were enacted as part of H.R. 1, the “The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.” This legislation lays the groundwork for steps that must be taken to ensure that health care providers, consumers, payers, and policymakers have access to consistent and useful data on the quality of care delivered.
Solutions Promote High Value, High Quality Care to the Consumer

Solutions must focus on:

– Ensuring a strong base of evidence upon which to make decisions
– Evaluating whether the clinical benefits of a technology or service outweighs the costs
– Transparency of information to inform decision-making
–Addressing variation of care to protect the consumer and ensure delivery of care to right patient, right time, right place with right result
Payment Reform: Key Principles

Payment reform models should promote:

- Comprehensive evidence-based care
- Optimal health status through improved health and patient experience
- Improved access to care and quality of outcomes
- “Alignment” based on sustained organizational structures and care coordination across providers
- Professionalism and accountability in the provision of care