

# New All-Payer Model for Maryland Population-Based and Patient- Centered Payment Systems\*

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# Outline of Presentation

- Overview
- History of Maryland Rate Setting
- Overview of New Maryland All-Payer Model
- Opportunities for Success
- Implementation Approach
- Questions

# MedChi Facts

- MedChi is the seventh oldest medical society, formed in 1799 in Annapolis, MD
- The Mission of MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients, and the public health of Maryland
- Largest physician organization in Maryland
  - Physicians – primary care and specialists
  - Medical residents and students
  - Practice managers and medical staff



# MedChi Works to Enhance Health Care for All Marylanders

- Set up Accountable Care Organizations in three regions to meet growing health care demand
- Offering CME and working with specialty societies to enhance medical knowledge
- Fighting to prevent decreases in Medicaid and Medicare payments to physicians, which significantly affects their patients
- Meeting the needs of both independent practices and employed physicians
- Free Rx drug cards to help uninsured and underinsured with prescriptions



# Approved New All-Payer Model

- Maryland is implementing a new All-Payer Model for hospital payment
  - Updated application submitted to Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation in October 2013
  - Approved effective January 1, 2014
- Focus on new approaches to rate regulation
- Moves Maryland
  - From **Medicare, inpatient, per admission** test
  - To an **all payer, total hospital** payment **per capita** test
    - Shifts focus to population health and delivery system redesign

# BACKGROUND OF MARYLAND RATE REGULATION

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# Health Services Cost Review Commission

- Oversees hospital rate regulation in Maryland
- Independent 7 member Commission
  - Decisions appealable to the courts
  - Balanced membership
  - Experienced staff
- Broad statutory authority
  - Has allowed Commission methods to evolve
- Broad Support

# HSCRC Sets Hospital Rates for All Payers

- Medicare waiver granted July 1, 1977 as demonstration
  - Allows HSCRC to set hospital rates for Medicare—unique to Maryland
  - State law and Medicaid plan requires others to pay HSCRC rates
- Old Waiver test (2 parts)
  - Lower cumulative rate of increase in Medicare payment/admission from 1/1/81
  - Must remain all payer
- All payers pay their fair share of full financial requirements
  - Uncompensated Care
  - GME/IME
  - Capital
- Considerable value to patients, State and hospitals



# HSCRC Sets Prices Per Unit of Service

<u>Functional Center</u>	<u>Approved Rate</u>	<u>Unit</u>		<u>Units of Service</u>	<u>Charge</u>
Medical/Surgical Unit	\$500	Per day	X	5	\$ 2,500
Intensive Care Unit	\$1,000	Per day	X	2	2,000
Admission	\$100	Per case	X	1	100
Operating Room	\$15	Per minute	X	150	2,250
Radiology	\$20	RVU	X	25	500
Pulmonary	\$3.00	RVU	X	10	30
Blood	\$15	RVU	X	5	75
Lab	\$2.00	RVU	X	25	50
Physical Therapy	\$16	RVU	X	5	80
Cost of Drugs Sold	\$1,200	Invoice cost	X	patient	1,200
<u>Medical Supplies</u>	\$2,100	Invoice cost	X	patient	<u>2,100</u>
Total Charge Per Case					<b><u>\$10,885</u></b>

# HSCRC Administers Quality-Based Payment Initiatives for Hospitals

## QBR

(Quality Based Reimbursement)

- Clinical Process of Care Measures
- Patient Experience of Care (HCAHPS)
- Mortality

## MHAC

(Maryland Hospital-Acquired Conditions)

- 65 Potentially Preventable Complications

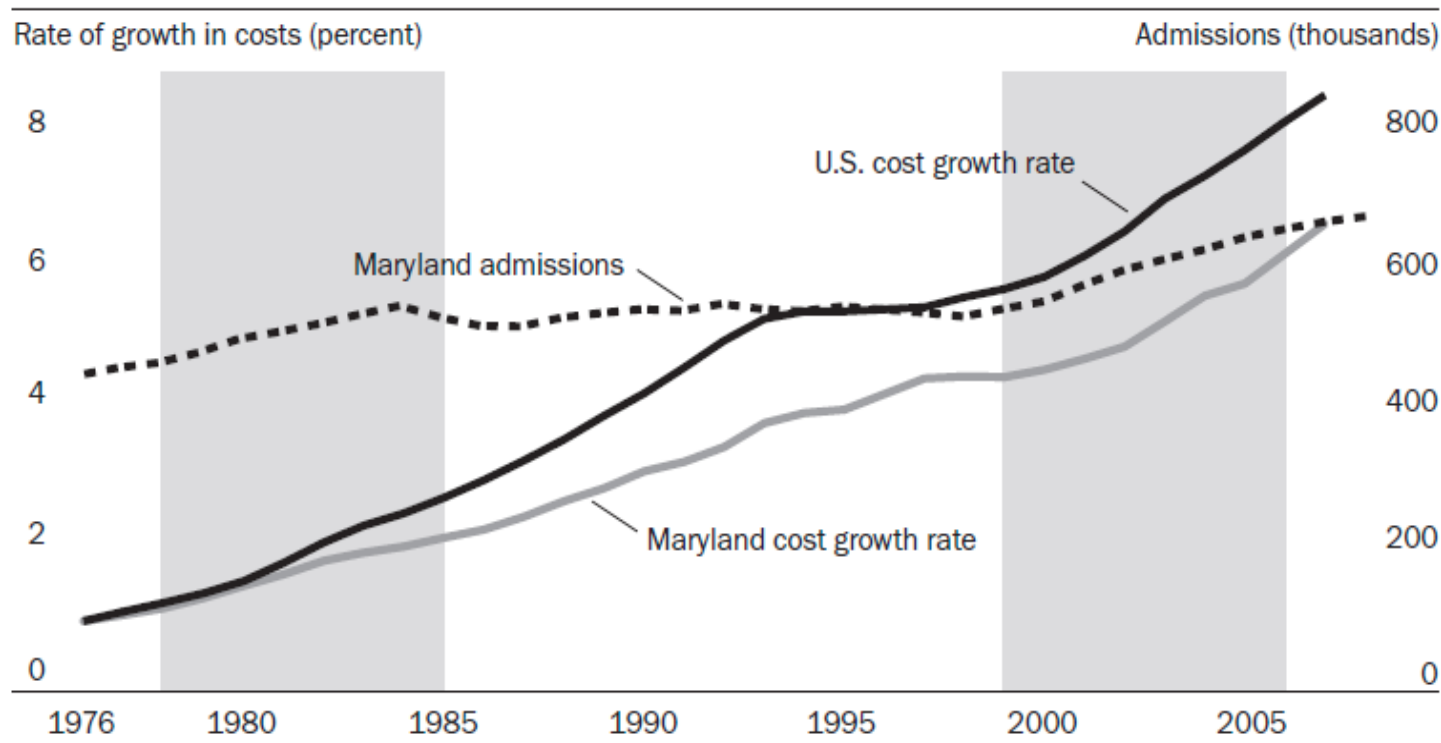
## Readmissions Reduction

- 30-day episodes
- Risk-adjusted all cause all site readmissions
- Link to payment models

# HSCRC Cost Accomplishments

- Cost containment (all payer)--From 26% above the national average cost per case in 1976 to 2% below in 2007

**Indexed Growth Rates In Hospital Cost Per Adjusted Admission, Maryland And United States, 1976-2007 (2008)**



# Challenges of the Old Waiver Model

- Emphasis on cost per case kept focus only on hospital inpatient services, not over all health care spending
- Not well fitted to innovations in health care

# OVERVIEW OF NEW ALL-PAYER MODEL

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# Approved Model Timeline

- Phase 1 (5 Year Model)
  - Maryland all-payer hospital model
  - Developing in alignment with the broader health care system
  
- Phase 2
  - Phase 1 efforts will come together in a Phase 2 proposal
  - To be submitted in Phase 1, End of Year 3
  - Implementation beyond Year 5 will further advance the three-part aim

# Approved Model at a Glance

- **All-Payer total hospital per capita revenue growth ceiling** for Maryland residents tied to long term state economic growth (GSP) per capita
  - 3.58% annual growth rate for first 3 years
- **Medicare payment savings** for Maryland beneficiaries compared to dynamic national trend. Minimum of \$330 million in savings
- **Patient and population centered-measures** and targets to promote population health improvement
  - Medicare readmission reductions to national average
  - 30% reduction in preventable conditions under Maryland's Hospital Acquired Condition program (MHAC) over a 5 year period
  - Many other quality improvement targets

# Creates New Context for HSCRC

- Align payment with new ways of organizing and providing care
- Contain growth in total cost of hospital care in line with requirements
  - Evolve value payments around efficiency, health and outcomes

**Better care**

**Better health**

**Lower cost**



# Focus Shifts from Rates to Revenues

Old Model  
Volume Driven

Units/Cases



Rate Per Unit  
or Case

Hospital Revenue

Unknown at the beginning of  
year. More units/more  
revenue

New Model  
Population and Value Driven

Revenue Base Year



Updates for Trend,  
Population, Value

Allowed  
Revenue Target Year

Known at the beginning of year.  
More units does not create more  
revenue

# Focus Shifts to Patients

- Unprecedented effort to improve health, improve outcomes, and control costs for patients
- Gain control of the revenue budget and focus on providing the right services and reducing utilization that can be avoided with better care

Maryland's  
All Payer  
Model



- Enhance Patient Experience
- Better Population Health
- Lower Total Cost of Care

# Challenge for Integration of Efforts

Medical Homes  
Accountable  
Care  
Organizations

Health Enterprise  
Zones (HEZ)

Enrollment  
Expansion  
-Medicaid  
-Private

Health  
Information  
Exchange--  
CRISP

State Health  
Improvement  
Process--Public  
Health

# Creates New Context for HSCRC

- Priority tasks: Transition to population/global payment models and patient-centered performance targets that are tied directly to payment
- Major data and infrastructure requirements

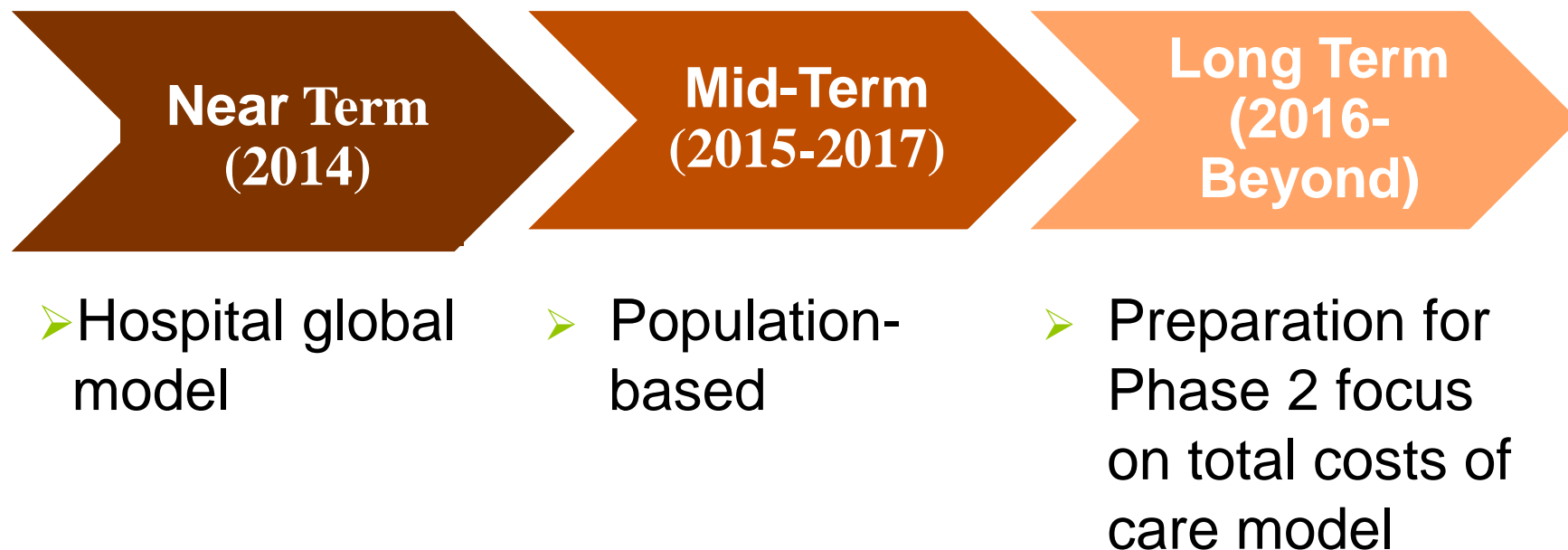
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# Timeline of All-Payer Model Development

## Phase 1 (5 Year Model)



# OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS UNDER THE NEW ALL-PAYER MODEL

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# What Does This Mean?

- New Model represents most significant change in nearly 40 years
- Focus shifts to gain control of the revenue budget and focus on gaining the right volumes and reducing avoidable utilization resulting from care improvement
- Potential for excess capacity will demand focus on cost control and opportunities to optimize capacity
- Opens up new avenues for innovation
- Increased efficiency creates opportunities for improved care and better population health

# Opportunities for Success

## Model Opportunities

- Global revenue budgets providing stable model for transition and reinvestment
- Lower use—reduce avoidable utilization with effective care management and quality improvement
- Focus on reducing Medicare cost
- Integrate population health approaches
- Rethink the business model/capacity and innovate

## Delivery System Objectives

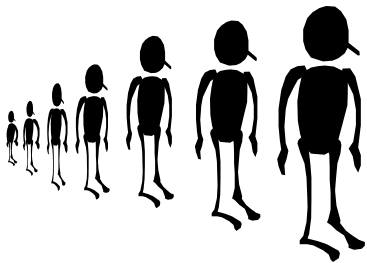
- Improved care and value for patients
- Sustainable delivery system for efficient and effective hospitals
- Alignment with physician delivery and payment model changes



# History Provides Example

*DRGs and New Technology Reduced Length of Stay and Admissions and Freed Up \$\$\$ for Major Improvements in Cardiac Care, Minimally Invasive Procedures, Advanced Imaging, New Medications and Other Care*

U. S. Population



1980

2010

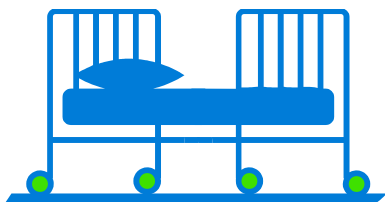
% CHG

227M

309 M

+36%

Occupied beds



755,000

473,000

37%

# Reduce Avoidable Utilization By Improving Care

## Examples:

- 30- Day Readmissions/Rehospitalizations
- Preventable Admissions (based on AHRQ Prevention Quality Indicators)
- Nursing home residents—Reduce conditions leading to admissions and readmissions
- Maryland Hospital Acquired Conditions (potentially preventable complications)
- Improved care coordination: particular focus on high needs/frequent users, involvement of social services

# Medicare Focus: GO FOR “0”

- Medicare revenue growth below national growth critical to generate savings
  - Medicare is the least managed population in Maryland
  - Focus on high need patients and avoidable utilization
  - In particular, where better care reduces costs
  - Requires improved coordination and focus among providers, patients, and families

# HSCRC IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH

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# HSCRC Public Engagement Short Term Process Phases

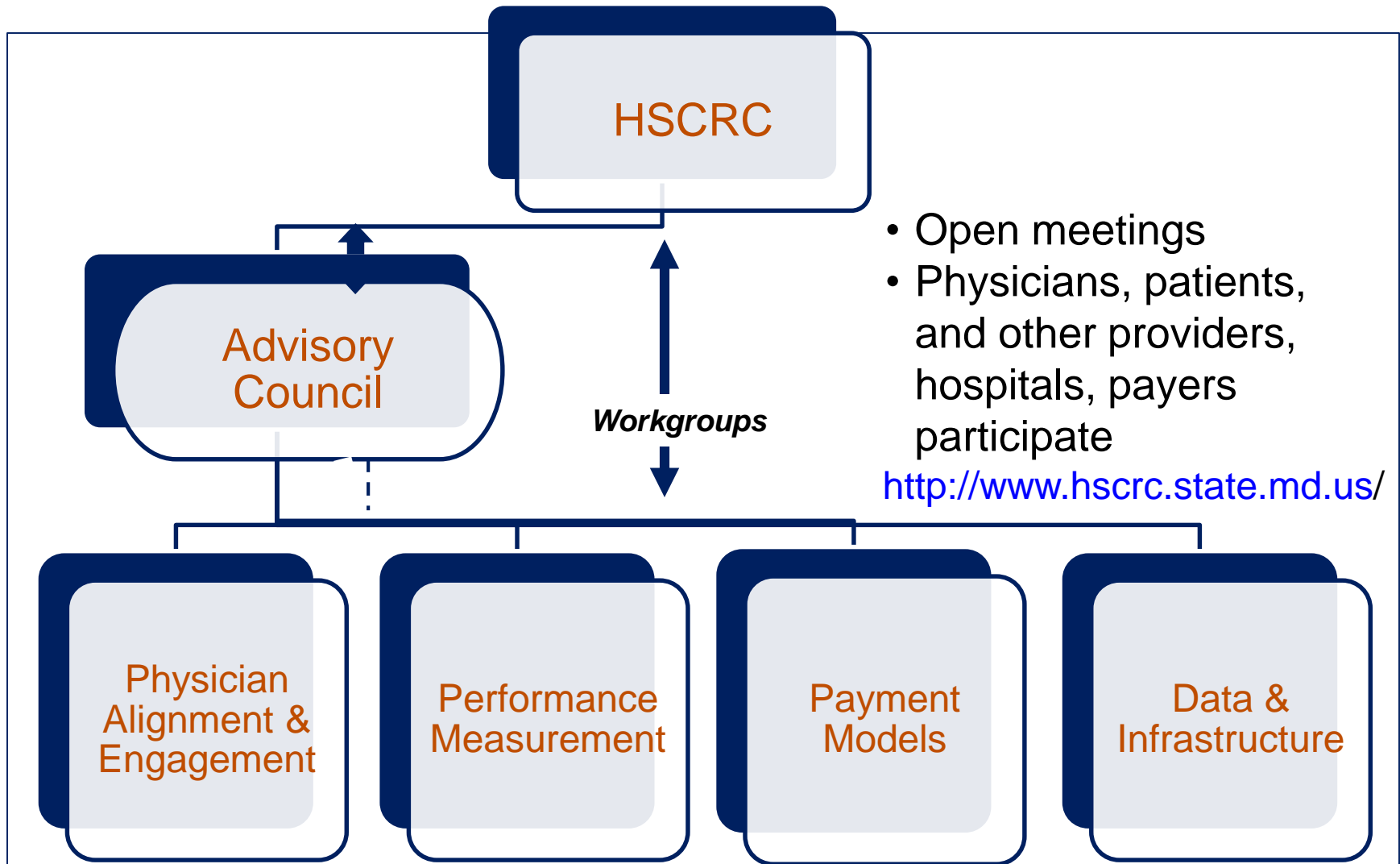
## ☀ Phase 1:

- Fall 2013: Advisory Council - recommendations on broad principles
- January 2014- July 2014: Workgroups
  - Four workgroups convened
  - Focused set of tasks needed for initial policy making of Commission
  - Majority of recommendations needed by July 2014

## ☀ Phase 2: July 2014 – July 2015

- Always anticipated longer-term implementation activities
- July Workgroup reports to address proposed future work plan
- Advisory Council reconvening

# Stakeholder Input



# Advisory Council

- ✿ Advisory Council was charged with offering guidance and advice on implementing Maryland's newly approved model design
- ✿ Best ways to meet the tight targets in model
- ✿ Setting priorities for implementation
- ✿ Establishing guiding principles
- ✿ Advice based on real-world experience

# Advisory Council Recommendations

- ✿ Focus on Meeting the Early Model Requirements
  - Focus on All-payer and Medicare tests
  - Start with Global Budgets
  - Reduce avoidable utilization
- ✿ Meeting Budget Targets, Investments in Infrastructure, and Providing Flexibility for Private Sector Innovation
- ✿ HSCRC as a Regulator, Catalyst, and Advocate
- ✿ Consumer Involvement in Planning and Implementation
- ✿ Physician and Other Provider Alignment
- ✿ Transparency and the Public Engagement Process



# Public Engagement Process – Work Groups

- ✿ Engaged broad set of stakeholders in HSCRC policy making and implementation of new model
  - 4 workgroups and 6 subgroups
  - 85 workgroup appointees
  - Consumers, Employers, Providers, Payers, Hospitals
- ✿ Established processes for transparency and openness
  - Diverse membership
  - Educational phase of process
  - Call for Technical White Paper Shared Publically
  - Access to information
  - Opportunity for comment

# HSCRC Work Group Descriptions

## Physician Alignment & Engagement

Mid-Term  
FY 2015 - 17

## Performance Improvement & Measurement

- ✿ Alignment with Emerging Physician Models
- ✿ Shared Savings
- ✿ Care Improvement
  - Care Coordination Opportunities
  - Post-Acute and Long-Term Care
  - Evidence-Based Care

- ▶ Reducing Potentially Avoidable Utilization to achieve Three-Part Aim
  - ▶ Statewide Targets & Hospital Performance Measurement
  - ▶ Measuring Potentially Avoidable Utilization
- ▶ Value-Based Payments (integration of cost, quality, population health and outcomes)
- ▶ Patient Experience and Patient-Centered Outcomes

Note: More Detailed Work Group Descriptions reviewed by Commission January 13, 2014 and available on HSCRC website

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## Data and Infrastructure

Mid-Term  
FY 2015 - 17

## Payment Models

- ✿ Data Requirements
- ✿ Care Coordination Data and Infrastructure
- ✿ Technical and Staff Infrastructure
- ✿ Data Sharing Strategy

- ▶ Balanced Update
- ▶ Guardrails for Model Performance
- ▶ Market Share
- ▶ Initial and Future Models

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# Workgroup Products (as of 5/12/14)

## ✿ **Payment Model**

- Draft UCC Policy Recommendations
- Draft Update Factors Recommendation for FY 2015
- Draft Readmission Shared Savings Recommendation for FY 2015
- Final Report – Balanced Update and Short-Term Adjustments

## ✿ **Performance Measurement**

- Final Recommendations– Maryland Hospital Acquired Conditions
- Final Recommendations – Readmissions
- First Draft – Efficiency Report

## ✿ **Data and Infrastructure**

- Final Report - Data Requirements for Monitoring All-Payer Model

## ✿ **Physician Alignment and Engagement**

- First Draft - Current Physician Payment Models and Recommendations for Physician Alignment Strategies under the All-Payer Model

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