

Payment and Models of Care to Address Adverse Consequences of Cancer Treatment

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Outline

1. Oncology payment/delivery models
Focus: Oncology Care Model
2. Other existing and proposed models
3. Challenges and opportunities

Setting Value-Based Payment Goals — HHS Efforts to Improve U.S. Health Care

Sylvia M. Burwell

N “...our target is to have 30% of Medicare payments tied to quality or value through alternative payment models by the end of 2016, and 50% of payments by the end of 2018. Alternative payment models include accountable care organizations (ACOs) and bundled-payment arrangements under which health care providers are accountable for the quality and cost of the care they deliver to patients.”

N ENGL J MED 372:10 NEJM.ORG MARCH 5, 2015

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The New England Journal of Medicine

-Sylvia Burwell, Secretary of HHS, NEJM 2015

CMS Oncology Care Model



138 practices and 10 payers

Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

CMS Oncology Care Model

- Focus on oncology patients in fee-for-service (FFS) Medicare undergoing systemic therapy

Service	Standard FFS Medicare	OCM 6-mo Episode
Care management	None	\$160 PMPM
All other care	FFS	FFS
Performance-based payment*	None	Yes

*If performance quality goals met, practice can share in savings based on comparing all expenditures (including monthly payments) to risk-adjusted historical benchmark minus CMS discount

OCM Quality Measures

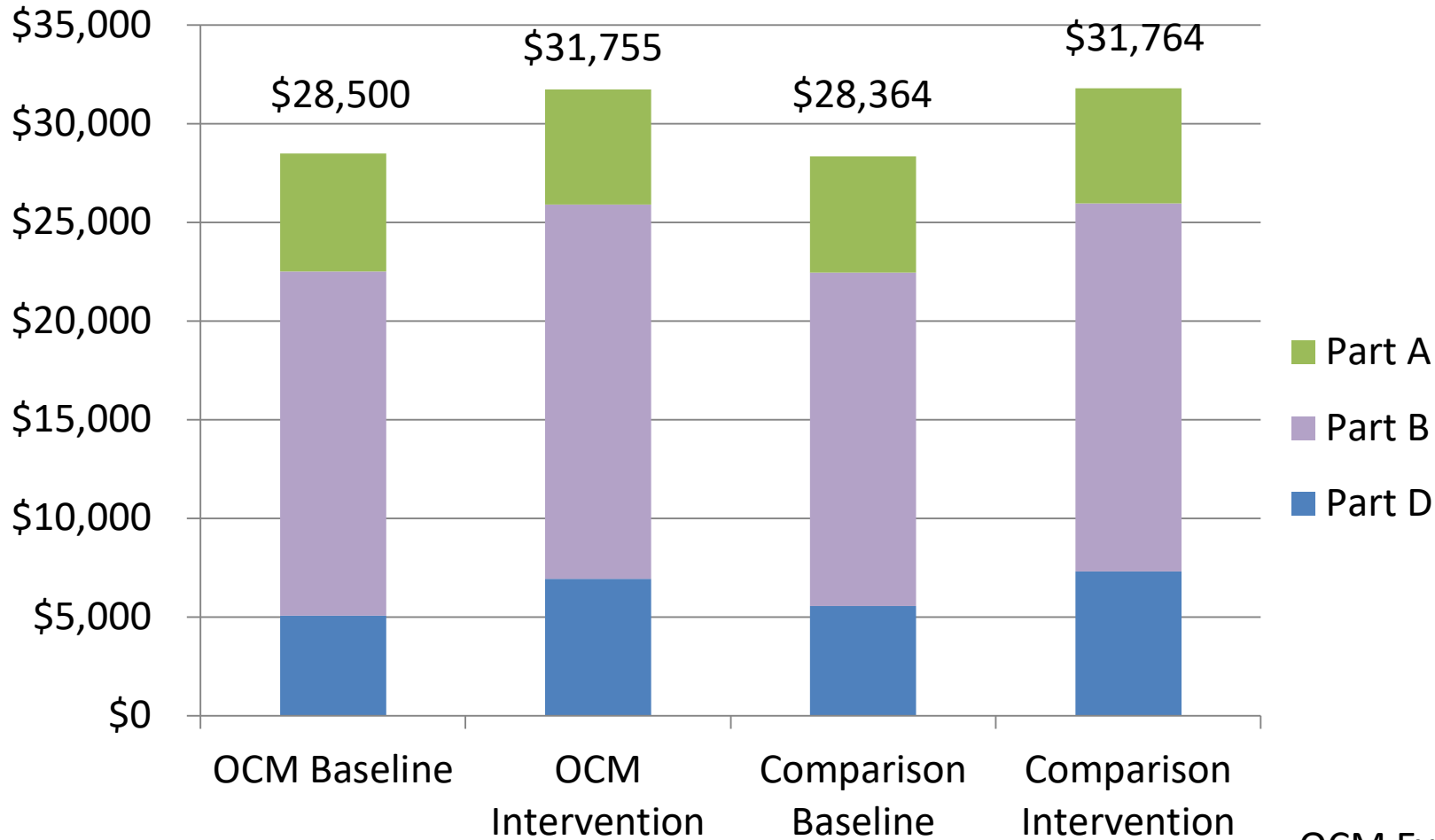
OCM Measure Number	Measure Name	Measure Source
OCM-2	Risk-adjusted proportion of patients with all-cause <u>emergency department visits</u> or observation stays that did not result in a hospital admission within the 6-month episode	Claims
OCM-3	Proportion of patients that died who were admitted to <u>hospice</u> for 3 days or more	Claims
OCM-4a	Oncology: Medical and Radiation – <u>Pain Intensity Quantified</u> (MIPS 143, NQF 0384)	Practice Reported
OCM-4b	Oncology: Medical and Radiation – <u>Plan of Care for Pain</u> (MIPS 144, NQF 0383)	Practice Reported
OCM-5	Preventive Care and Screening: <u>Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan</u> (CMS 2v8.1, NQF 0418)	Practice Reported
OCM-6	<u>Patient-Reported Experience of Care</u>	CMS-Acquired Data

OCM Overview. CMS OCM Website

Practice Redesign-Model Requirements

- Provide enhanced services
 - 24/7 access, patient navigation, care consistent with national guidelines
 - Cancer care plan – diagnosis, prognosis, treatment goals, treatment plan, expected response, benefits/harms, advance care plans, estimated costs, psychosocial plan, survivorship plan
- Certified electronic medical records
- Use data for continuous quality improvement

Total Episode Payments Through Performance Period 3 (Excluding Monthly Payments & Performance-Based Payments)

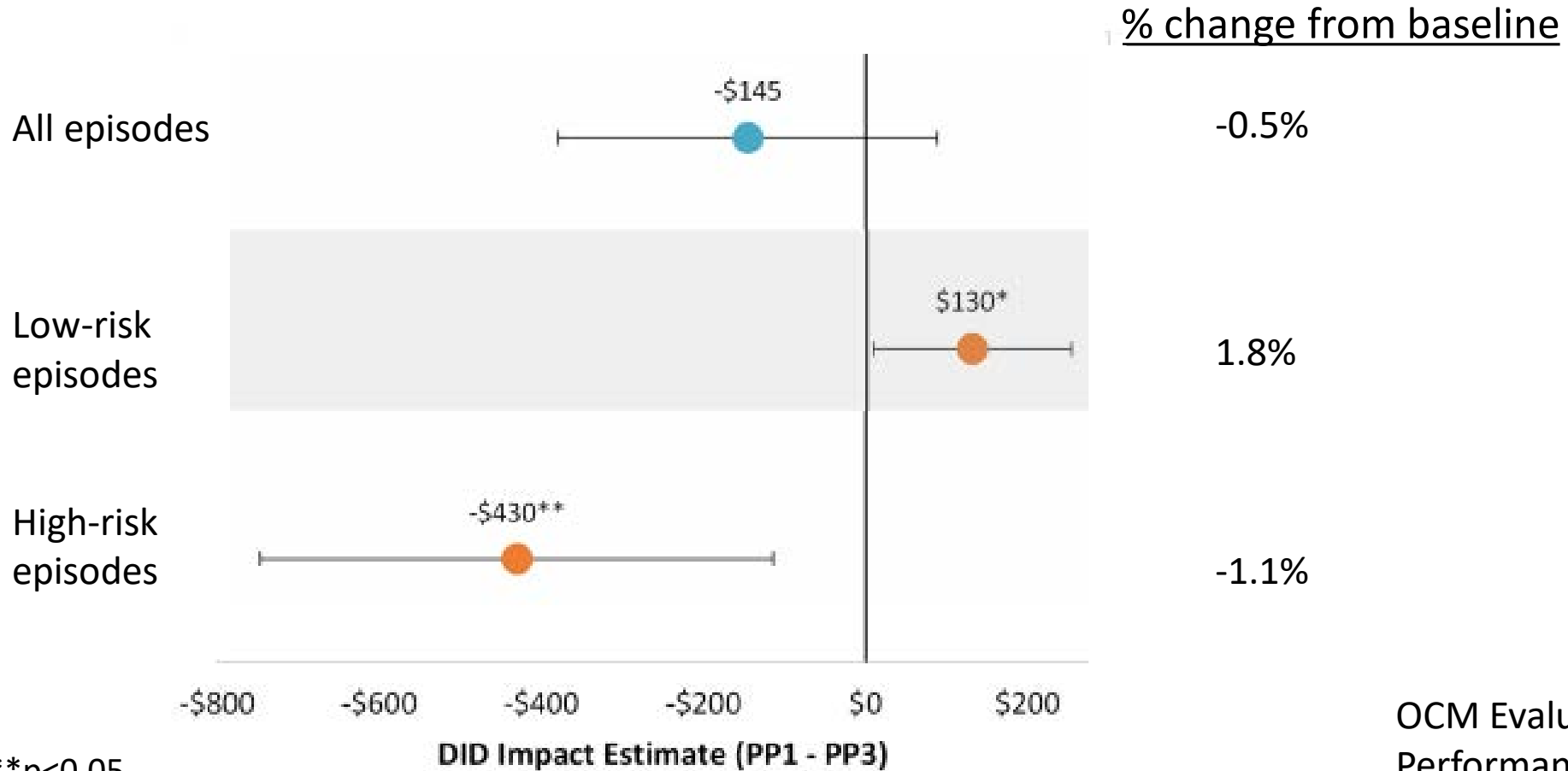


Difference-in-Differences
Impact Estimate
-\$145 (90% CI: -\$379, \$89)

OCM Evaluation Report: Performance Periods 1-3

OCM Impact on Total Episode Payments Through Performance Period 3: Overall and by High-Risk vs. Low-Risk Episodes

(Excluding Monthly Payments & Performance-Based Payments)



*p<0.01 **p<0.05

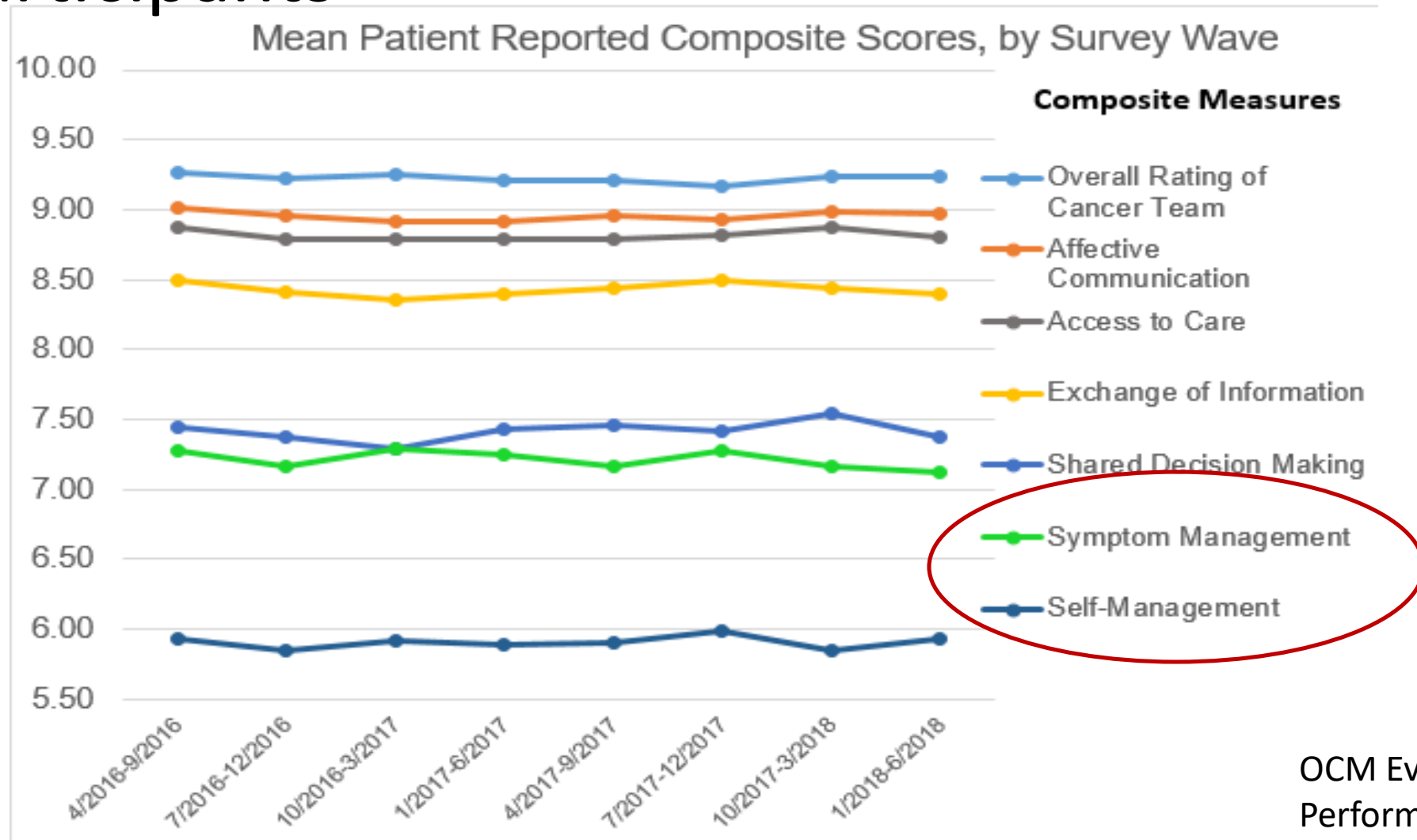
OCM Evaluation Report:
Performance Periods 1-3

OCM Had No Impact on Hospital-Based Services

	OCM Baseline	OCM Intervention	Comparison Baseline	Comparison Intervention	DID (90% CI)
% with any hospitalization	27.2%	25.9%	25.9%	24.3%	0.2% (-0.2%, 0.5%)
% with ED visit	23.5%	23.6%	24.2%	24.3%	0.0% (-0.3%, 0.3%)
% with chemotherapy associated hospitalization	9.3%	8.7%	8.9%	8.2%	0.0% (-0.2%, 0.2%)
% with chemotherapy associated ED visit	6.7%	6.4%	7.0%	6.8%	-0.1% (-0.2%, 0.1%)

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No Changes in Care Experiences Over Time Among OCM Participants



OCM Evaluation Report:
Performance Periods 1-3

Other Existing & Proposed Models

Oncology Medical Home Models

- Provide patient-focused care
- Optimized based on evidence
- Accessible, efficient, high quality
- Some evidence for reductions in ED visits, spending
 - Studies have focused on patients undergoing cancer treatment

Colligan et al. Med Care 2017; 55: 873-878
Kuntz et al, J Oncol Pract 2014. 10: 294-297



ASCO Patient-Centered Oncology Payment Proposal

ASCO[®] Patient-Centered Oncology Payment

A Community-Based
Oncology Medical Home Model

Proposal to the Physician-Focused Payment Model
Technical Advisory Committee

Proposed Monthly Care Management Payments

1. New patient payment
2. Cancer treatment payment
3. Active monitoring payment
(through 12 months after
diagnosis only)

<https://aspe.hhs.gov/proposal-submissions-physician-focused-payment-model-technical-advisory-committee>

CMS Radiation Oncology Model

- Prospective, episode-based payments to practices for 90-day episodes for patients initiating radiation oncology for one of 16 cancer types
- Mandatory for practices in randomly-selected areas (caring for ~30% of Medicare beneficiaries)



Starts July 1, 2021

Challenges & Considerations in Paying for Survivorship Care Management

- Emerging payment and delivery models focus on patients undergoing cancer treatment
 - Limited focus on longer-term survivors
- Much survivorship care focuses on education and counseling
 - Reimbursement relatively less than for cancer treatment
- Cancer survivorship care often shared with primary care and other specialists

Reimbursement Options for Survivorship Care

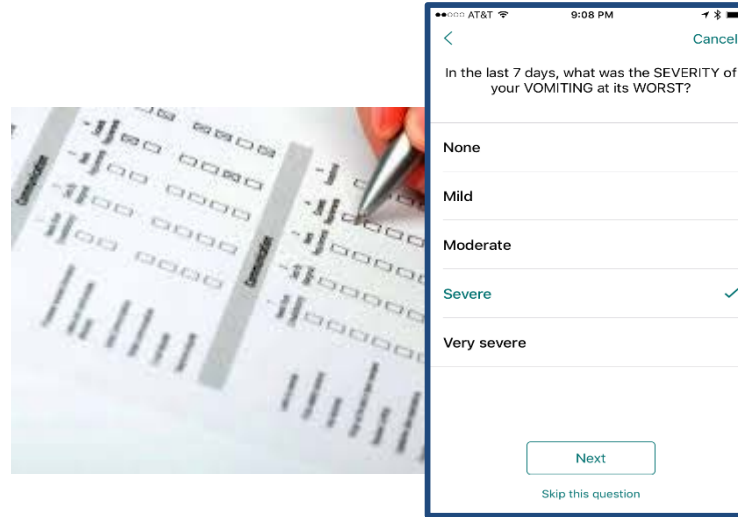
- Fee-for-service
 - Bill for care and counseling provided during visits
 - Does not incentivize coordination of care
 - Does not cover care provided outside of visit
- Capitation or monthly care management fee
 - For complex patients, may incentivize better coordination, outreach to patients
 - Care may be shared—attribution may be a challenge
 - Many patients have few active needs
 - Risk stratification key
 - Quality measures limited

Quality Measurement for Value-Based Payment Models



Processes of Care

Did the patient get the right treatment in the right place at the right time?



Patient Experiences & PROs

Did the patient get the information and help they needed?
Were their symptoms addressed?



Outcomes of Care

Quality of life
Survival

Opportunities

- Delivery models designed around the patient not clinic/clinicians
 - More remote care (hospital at home, chemotherapy at home, telemedicine)
 - Remote monitoring (new CMS codes reimburse for remote monitoring)
 - Real time patient experience/symptom data (proposed CMS Oncology Care First model will require)
- Research needed on design and implementation of payment models and development and validation of quality measures
 - Designs must consider patients undergoing treatment (including chronic treatment) & those who have completed treatment (risk stratification key)
 - Designs must consider and prioritize equity (and evaluations must assess)

Conclusions

- Current and proposed payment and delivery models focus on patients in active treatment, typically a single treatment
 - These models have opportunities to limit adverse effects, but do not focus on patients receiving multidisciplinary treatment and quality measurement remains limited
- New models are needed to improve delivery of survivorship care for patients no longer undergoing treatment

Questions?

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