# March 2024 PI Informational Meeting

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# Agenda

- 1. Introduction/Icebreaker
- 2. PI Refresh!
- 3. CQM review and PI measures
- 4. PI Subcommittee Updates



# Performance Improvement Team at HCH



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#### What is Performance Improvement (PI)?

#### 1. The continuous process of:

- assessing the quality and equity of the care we deliver
- assessing client access to that care
- adjusting to do better

#### 2. A systems approach, not a personnel approach

- Nothing changes unless our ways of working and ways of thinking change
- Failures are rarely a "person" issue and more often a "system" issue
- PI is baked into everything we do

#### 3. Data-driven

- We use data as a driver for improvement and a way to tell us how we're doing
- Data helps us see what's really happening, not what we think is happening because our common sense isn't always correct
- Data allows us to target our work towards things that make real, lasting change



#### What role can staff at HCH play?

- 1. Use data (Quality tab, PVP, MedStatix, etc.)
- 2. Involve clients in thinking through ways to improve care delivery
- 3. Attend monthly PI meetings
- 4. Be a part of a subcommittee!
- 5. Participate and give feedback on a test of change (PDSA cycle)
- 6. Contribute an idea or ask a question(s)



# Today's icebreaker

It's Women's History Month! Shout out a favorite woman in your life — coworker, family, friend...





# CQM review and PI measures

#### **PI Measures**

Disease Management	Jan	Feb	2024 Goal
Colorectal Cancer Screening	30%	30%	40%
Hypertension Disparities	Black M: 62%	Black M: 62%	
	Black F: 56%	<b>Black F: 54%</b>	
	<b>White M: 73%</b>	<b>White M: 74%</b>	
	<b>White F: 65%</b>	<b>White F: 65%</b>	Less than
	Latino M: 69%	<b>Latino M: 70%</b>	5%
	Latina F: 62%	Latina F: 63%	disparity
Childhood Vaccinations	7%	<b>2</b> %	18%
UO 0 Questions 1 and 6		Q1: 3.2%**	
PHQ-9 Questions 1 and 6	N/A	Q6: 3.7%**	5%
Diabetes and A1c Control (inverse measure)			27%,
	Black M: 27%	Black M: 27%	reduce
	<b>Black F: 31%</b>	<b>Black F: 33%</b>	disparity
	<b>White M: 29%</b>	<b>White M: 33%</b>	by 5% for
	White F: 25%	<b>White F: 27%</b>	Hispanic/L
	Latino M: 44%	Latino M: 45%	atinx
	<b>Latina F: 29%</b>	Latina F: 32%	clients

Key
3+ Improvement
1-2+ improvement
Reduction

Disease Management	Jan	Feb	2024 Goal
Clients receiving PrEP	18 clients	23 clients	36 clients
Prenatal Early Entry to Care	59%*	68%	70%
Appointment Access	Med Urgent: 84% Med Routine: 84% BH Urgent: 100% BH Routine: 100% Dental Urgent: 100% Dental Routine: 100%	Med Urgent: 85% Med Routine: 85% BH Urgent: n/a*** BH Routine: n/a*** Dental Urgent: 66% Dental Routine: 100%	+5% from baseline
Hospital Readmission Rate	TBD	18.7%	<20%
Closing the Referral Loop	25%	24%	40%
<b>Current Medication Documentation</b>	63%	63%	90%

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3+ Improvement
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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>No respondents for the month of February.

#### 2024 PI Plan

We are here!



Reduce the disparity in hypertension control rates (less than 140/90 mmHg) among Black, White, and Hispanic/Latino/a women and men by 5%.

Dates: Jan – June



Double the number of clients receiving **PrEP**.

Dates: Jan - June



Ensure at least 18% of **children** will have all combo 10 **vaccinations** by age 2.

Dates: March - Aug



Reduce hospital readmission rate (hospitalized within 30 days) by 5%.

Dates: March - Aug



For clients 12+, improve aggregate score by 5% on the **PHQ-9** for Question 1: little interest or pleasure in doing things and Question 6: feeling bad about yourself; or that you are a failure or have let yourself or family down.

Dates: April - Sept



#### 2024 PI Plan continued

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Improve percent of adults aged 45–75 years who had appropriate screening for colorectal cancer to 40%.

Dates: April - Sept

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Improve overall score (aggregate of all sites and departments) by 5% that clients reported an ability to access an appointment when needed.

Dates: May - Oct

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Reduce the percent of clients aged 18–75 years with diabetes who had hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) greater than 9.0 percent to 30% and reduce the racial/ethnic gap by 5% for Hispanic/Latino clients.

**Dates: June - Nov** 

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Monitor and conduct at least one PI project working to improve care coordination based on KPI data (closing the loop for referrals or current medication documentation).

Dates: June – Nov

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Ensure at least 70% of pregnant clients have access to and initiate care in the first trimester of pregnancy.

Dates: July - Dec



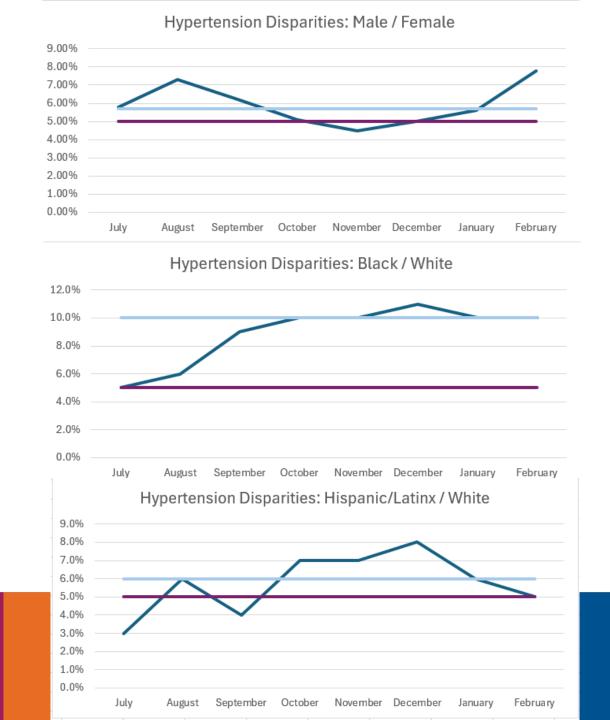
# PI Subcommittee Updates

## **Hypertension Disparity**

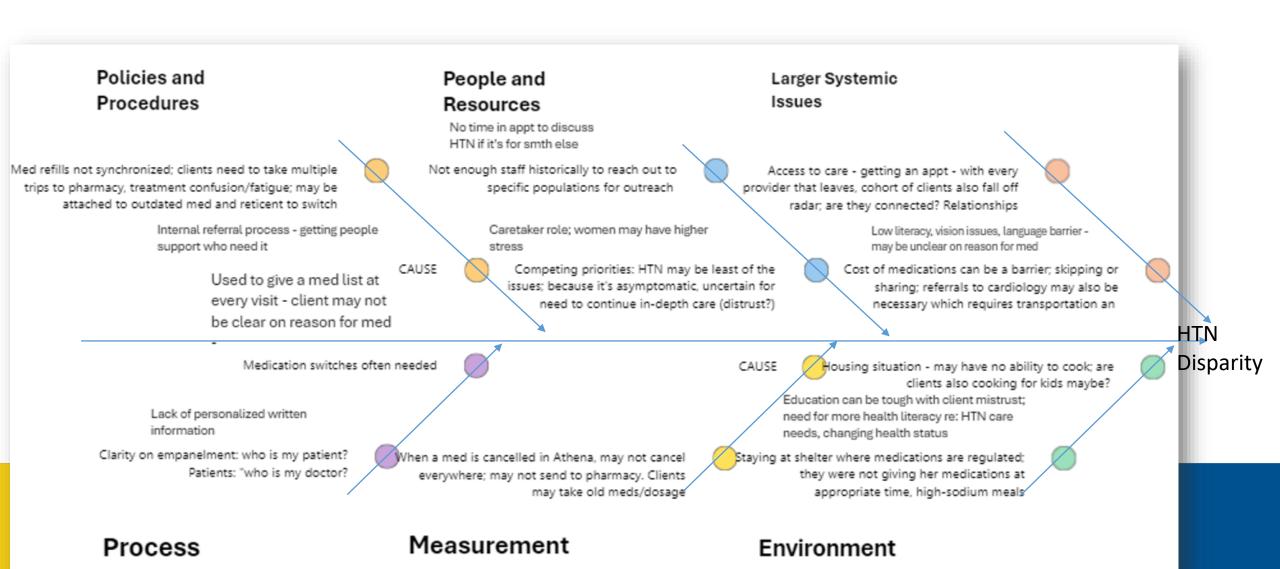
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#### Kickoff meeting

 Team of nurses, medical provider, and case manager + PI and PH members



#### **Root Cause Diagram**



# Wishbone Section: what do we want this to look like?

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Increased understanding of what meds are, how to take them; how to control their own health

Decrease in medical

distrust from clients.

because people have

a better understanding

of how to take care of

themselves

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Decreased risk of

conditions (strokes,

MI); possible decrease

acute medical

in ER utilization,

readmissions

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Increased
communication
between client, care
team, and support
system around HTN
(and other conditions)
to normalize it

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Would have everything they need (food, transportation, med refills, etc) to successfully selfmanage Marie Stelmack

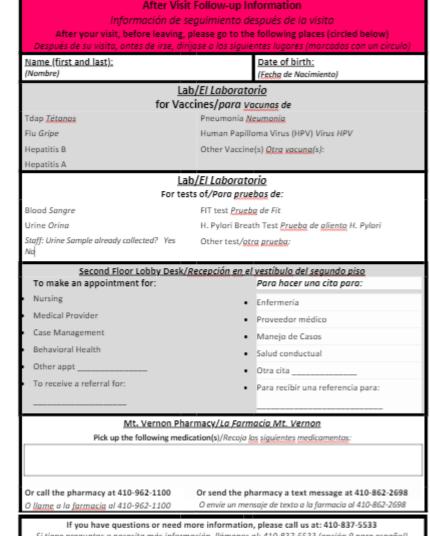
We wouldn't see a disparity



#### **Hypertension Disparity**

#### **Meeting 2**

- Prioritization Matrix (aim for high impact/low) effort)
  - Team identified challenges with client flow of scheduling next appointment, completing labs, and picking up prescriptions as first test of change
- PDSA #1 plan: test a "follow up sheet" physical reminder for clients' post-nurse visit for visual reminder and support along the check out process
  - Week-long test with subcommittee nurse, lab tech, and check out staff
  - Nurse team collaborated to make most comprehensive and straightforward form
  - In English and Spanish
  - Will track completion of these items and the longer term impacts on BP control – looking at women specifically



Si tiene preguntas o necesita más información, llámenos al: 410-837-5533 (opción 9 para españo.

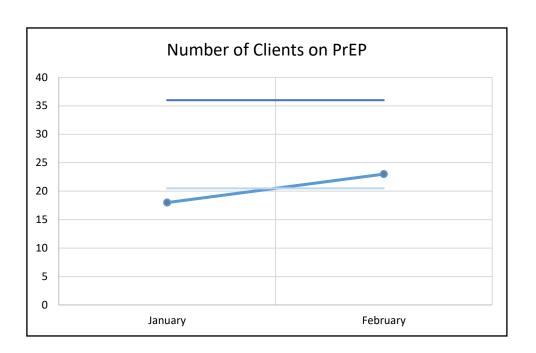


# PrEP (Pre-exposure prophylaxis to prevent HIV)

Double the number of clients receiving PrEP.

#### Kickoff Meeting

 Our largest subcommittee! Includes adult, pediatric, psychiatry and MAT providers, nurses, and HIV/HCV Care Advocate





#### look like? **Root Cause Diagram** Clear sense of who can Care management of start PrEP - everyone vs Marie Stelmack clients on PrEP having a specified team following up with MAT does PrEP starts to refer to; start slow, 1clients who have no already - has already 2 providers and team upcoming appt (Kristin McCurnin? made some provider Marie Stelmack Walk-in team?) guides, EMR Policies and People and Larger Systemic documents, Rapid referral Marie Stelmack quicktexts process **Procedures** Issues Resources Communication Natl HIV Testing Day tools - maybe some level of advertising -Samples? tie in comms; can we use screensavers? May not be able to take a How to utilize the care teams effectively to Buttons? TV content daily pill monitor and maintain PrEP clients? Provider hesitancy to prescribe without No specific funding or staff for this; people are knowing if client will follow up reliably always doing a lot of things CAUSE May not be a priority to Coverage for injectable take a daily pill Time to screen for PrEP. PrEP is not great Clients don't get on PrEP education when indicated Requires different people to CAUSE collaborate: need to identify exactly who (SOP) No strong system to connect uninsured clients quickly for med assistance When collecting data, hard to get providers to

Education - most of the time discussion happens

on mobile; frequently educating that this is for

anyone who may need it

Environment

consistently fill out forms

pull as raw data

Measurement

No clear diagnosis or problem that identifies - harder to

No SOP, no standardized process -

there's a procedure but it is not

followed

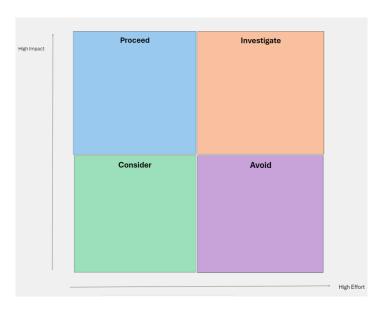
**Process** 



Wishbone Section: what do we want this to

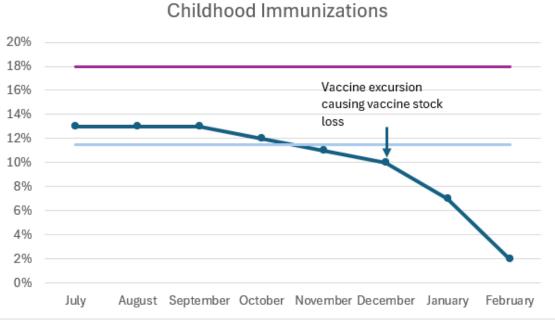
#### **PrEP Next Steps**

- 1. Next meeting March 28
  - Develop test of change ideas
    - Promising ideas:
      - Improving documentation (currently no clear dx or problem code) in Athena for improved identification of clients in report
      - Developing a rapid referral system
      - PrEP prescribing SOP
      - Communication tools (e.g. screensavers or buttons to encourage conversation)
  - Input into the Priority Matrix
  - Brainstorm ways to engage clients in this PI project





## **Childhood Vaccinations (Combo 10)**



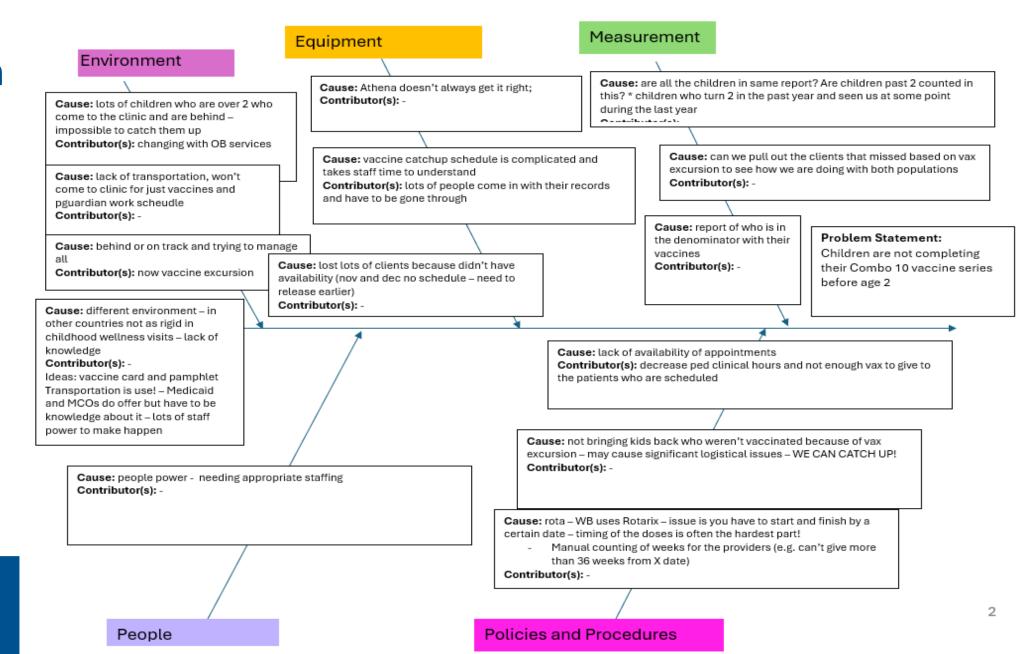
Ensure at least 18% of **children** will have all combo 10 **vaccinations** by age 2.

#### **Kickoff Meeting:**

Performed root cause analysis with pediatrics:
 Nicole Maffia, Ash Lane, Keri Rojas, Natalia Suc,
 Pattie Aldave



# Childhood Vaccination RCA



#### **Next Steps: Childhood Vaccinations**

- 1. Validating reports to support improved tracking and outreach
- 2. Further development of first PDSA



# **Up Next!**

- March kickoff meeting for:
  - Hospital Readmission
- April kickoff meeting for:
  - Colorectal Cancer Screening
  - Appointment Access

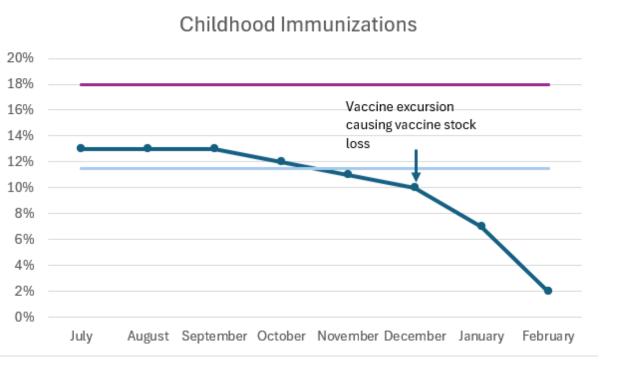


#### This month's PI tool: run charts

- You've seen some charts with extra lines through this presentation
- These are run charts:
  - The middle line represents the median (middle point of all the data)
  - The rest of the chart is like a normal line chart: we're plotting PI measure data by month
  - We use these to assess **variation** in our processes
    - Is the variation due to something we already know (hopefully a cool process change)? We'll try to annotate it on the chart
  - We assess this through seeing trends (a series of 6+ points that trends one way) and shifts (a series of 7+ points above or below the median)
  - If we see a significant change due to a certain cause, then we can plot a new median



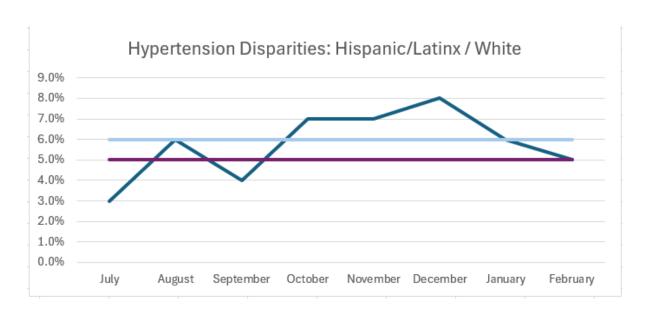
## What can we take away from this run chart?



- Steady decline: not jumping around on either side of the median, not terribly subject to common-cause variation
  - Trend of 6 decreasing data points
     special-cause variation?
- The vaccine loss clearly caused a marked effect on immunization rates...
- But they were declining before that



# What can we take away from this run chart?



- No shifts, no trends
- A reasonable amount of runs
   (stretches of points above or below the median in a row): not too few or too many
- There is no evidence for *special-cause variation*
- That said, the median is still above the goal, so we have work to do ©



# Thanks!

