



Access & Equity in Medicaid

Robust Primary Care is a Must

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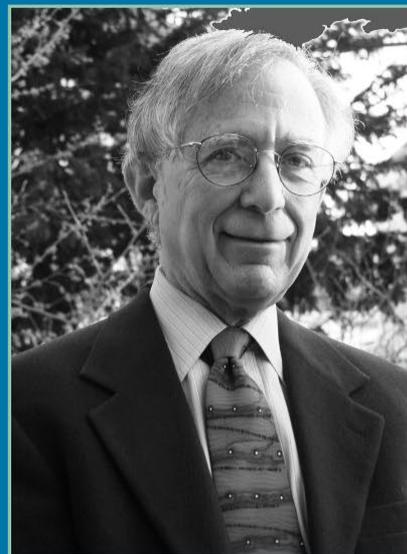
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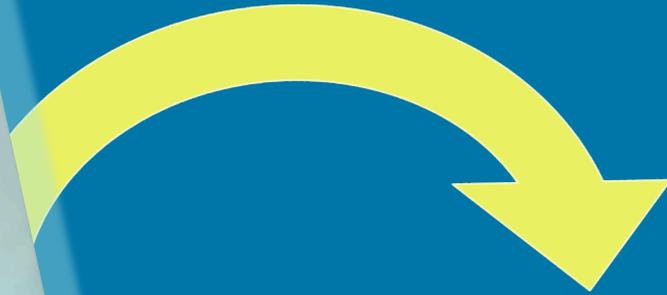


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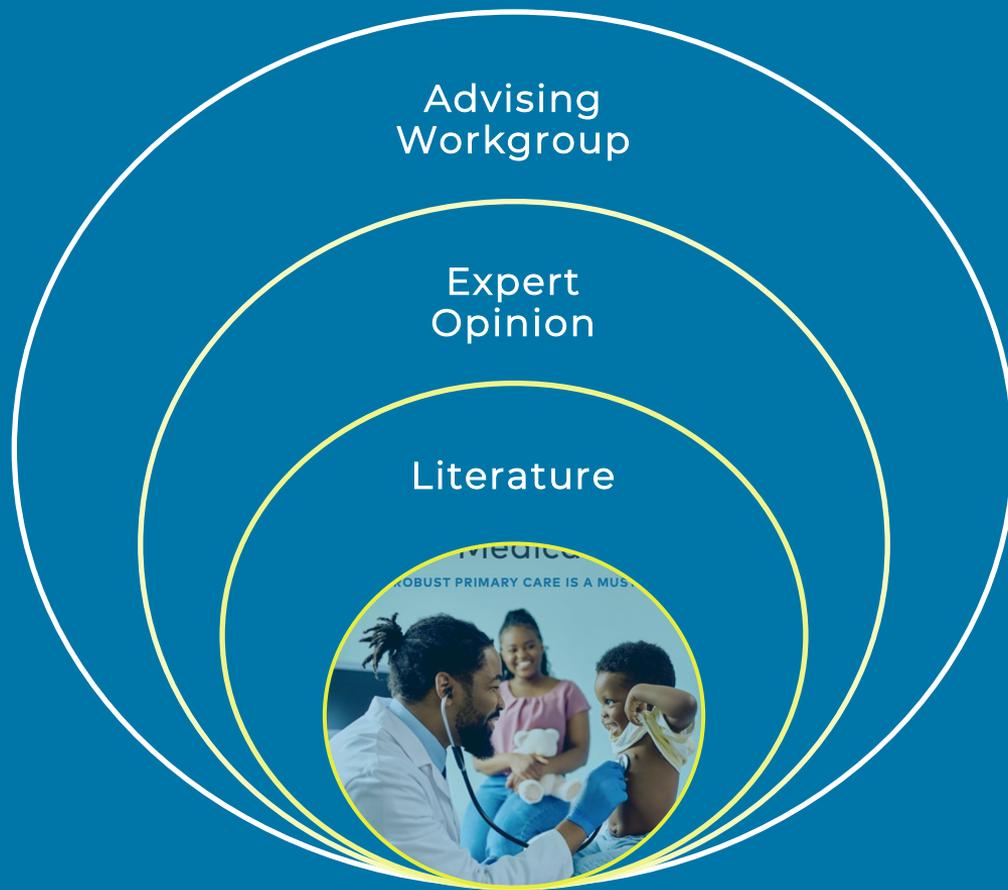
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The Strategies

- 1** Report and increase the share of Medicaid spending going to primary care
- 2** Increase payment to primary care clinicians
- 3** Support behavioral health and primary care integration
- 4** Pursue population-based payment models
- 5** Stratify data and incorporate health equity quality incentives into payment models
- 6** Increase federal funding for community health centers and create new access points
- 7** Pay for community health workers
- 8** Encourage Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) attributes, including care coordination



Takeaways

- ▶ Some strategies have strong evidence of success; others show promise, but need time to demonstrate impact
- ▶ What's needed is not "silver bullet" innovation, but vocal and focused support for an agreed upon set of policies
- ▶ Requires sustained, sufficient investment and ways to track progress overtime within an accountability framework
- ▶ Commitment to alignment across payers to enhance effectiveness, meet equity goals
- ▶ *Plus*, intentionality: equitable outcomes must be actively prioritized and accounted for across all strategies



Q & A



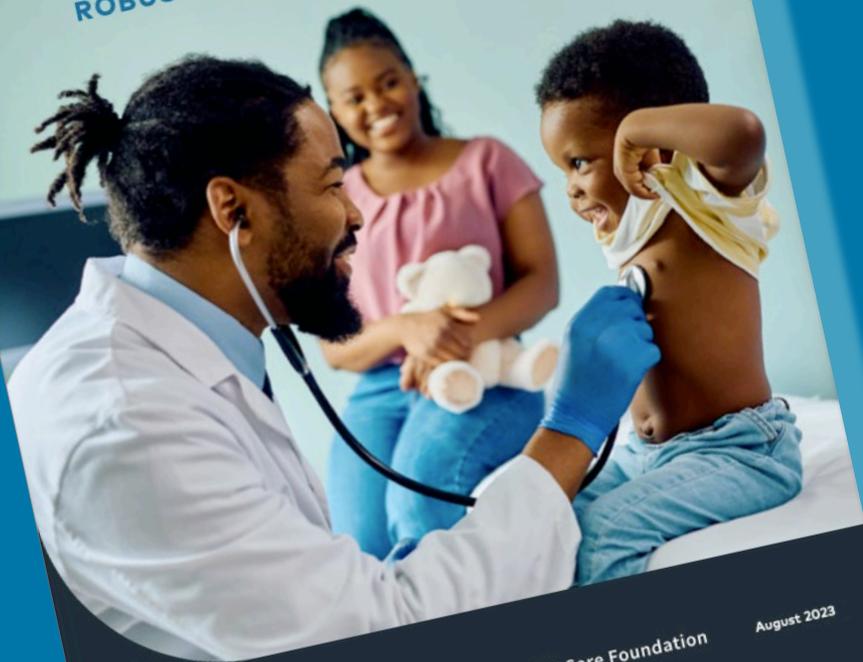
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