NAIIS Access and Provider Working Group
In-person Meeting

May 15, 2019

Introduction

- Access and Provider Working Group (WG) meets monthly throughout year 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m. (ET)
  - Participation open to any NAIIS members
  - https://www.izsummitpartners.org/nais-workgroups/access-provider-workgroup/
- Seeks to improve access to and administration of ACIP-recommended vaccines by
  - Identifying policy and practice barriers
  - Promoting solutions to increase adult immunization rates, through
    - Promotion of research,
    - Sharing of best practices, and
  - Development of tools to improve implementation of the national standards
- Today we will review past activities and start process to identify priorities for upcoming year
Thank you!

- Access and Provider Working Group Leadership
  - Pam Carter-Smith, AAFP
  - Debra Hawks, ACOG
  - David Kim, CDC
  - Kimberly Martin, ASTHO
  - Mitch Rothholz, APhA
  - Litjen (L.J.) Tan, IAC
  - Selam Wubu, ACP

- Volunteer leaders and WG members!

- LaDora Woods for WG organization and logistics!

Priorities identified May/June 2018

- 2018 discussions focus improving access and removing barriers for vaccination of adults
  - on Medicaid
  - in FQHCs
- What WG activities are addressing these issues?
  - CDC conducting analyses of state level Medicaid payment for adult vaccines
    - To follow: CDC analysis of adult vaccination coverage of patients with private vs public insurance, stratified by levels of Medicaid payment for vaccines and vaccine administration by state or city.
  - NAIIS funded NACHC to identify policy barriers and possible strategies for FQHCs to improve adult vaccination rates.
    - White paper on best practices in development – NACHC to discuss
Priorities Identified May/June 2018

• Other priorities identified
  – Develop health IT best practices fact sheet for immunizations – audience would be health systems and providers
  – Develop white paper or other publication on best practices for coding/billing in collaboration with health systems/AMGA and/or others

What was done to address these issues?
• IAC/AMGA/NAIIS organized in-person meeting February 2019 to identify
  – remaining gaps in information needed to support the business case for adult immunizations efforts by healthcare systems, and
  – next steps in developing a roadmap to assist healthcare systems in implementing adult immunizations recommendations

• White paper in development with Becker highlighting best practices for healthcare system implementation of adult immunizations

Main Findings from Healthcare Systems Meeting, February 2019

• Identify motivators – assessment of vaccination performance (measuring) and Quality Measurement (e.g. CMS STARS)
• Rationale/Implementation
  – Build team to include clinical, coders, HIT, quality measurement
  – Emphasis on population health and improving patient experience
  – Leverage existing systems, e.g. pediatric IIS reporting
• Payment
  – Reduce billing and coding errors; scale to reduce per patient costs
• Include Collaborators
  – E.g. Immunization Coalitions, industry, academia, public health, state Medicaid, pharmacy organizations, QIN/QIO, etc.
• Identify continuous process improvement/sustainability
Priorities identified May/June 2018

- Other priorities identified
  - Engage patient advocacy groups for persons with high risk conditions like diabetes and heart disease to identify areas for collaboration with NAIIS
  - This is being done in Influenza WG

Ongoing Activities

- Development of business case for providers and healthcare systems
  - Recent study results from RTI/NVPO/CDC and University of Michigan/CDC provide data to better support business case

- Continue to promote use of IIS
  - IIS promotional brochure for medical providers updated
  - IIS promotional brochure for pharmacists in development
NACHC Discussion of Project to Identify Policy Barriers and Potential Solutions to Improving Vaccine Access in FQHCs

- Sarah Price and Colleen Meiman, NACHC

Proposed Priorities for 2019-20

- Complete and promote business case for adult immunization
  - Include expanding awareness of RTI and U Michigan studies’ results

- Complete white paper from healthcare systems meeting and promote finding

- Complete NACHC white paper and promote findings and solutions for adult vaccination in FQHCs
  - Consider one-pager on opportunities for immunization programs and Medicaid programs to collaborate
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<td>– Revise and resubmit to AMA process</td>
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<td>• Monitor impact of new HEDIS measures, changes in other adult vaccine quality measures, and reduction in Healthy People 2030 measures that include vaccinations</td>
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