THE FREEDOM TRAIL TO RESPITE

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The Journey to Accountability Must 
Embrace 
The Path of Respite

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Learning Objectives

• Discuss implications for leveraging the patient- and family-centered care movement to advance advocacy for respite care;
• Propose a strategic approach for integrating respite care resources into delivery systems
The Value of Asking Questions

“You are pretty smart for a pediatrician.”

Is there anything I can take that won’t make me lose my hair?

I wish we knew about…

How do they know what’s important to our family if they don’t ask us?

The morphine comes from where?
Impact on Family Child with Autism

%CShCN whose families pay $1,000 or more out of pocket in medical expenses per year for the child
   ASD          31.0
   non-ASD      19.5

%CShCN whose conditions cause financial problems for the family
   ASD          38.6
   non-ASD      16.7

%CShCN whose families spend 11 or more hours per week providing or coordinating the child's health care
   ASD          25.6
   non-ASD      8.7

%CShCN whose conditions cause family members to cut back or stop working
   ASD          57.2
   non-ASD      21.7

http://www.cshcndata.org
Medical Homes will not be successful unless...

...there is integration of care across the continuum, from patient/ family perspective
Definition of Integrated Care

Integrated care is the seamless provision of health care services, from the perspective of the patient and family, across the entire care continuum. It results from coordinating the efforts of all providers, irrespective of institutional, departmental, or community-based organizational boundaries.

(Antonelli, Care Integration for Children with Special Health Needs: Improving Outcomes and Managing Costs. National Governors Association Center for Best Practices)
Strategic Approach to Care Integration

• Care Coordination is the set of activities which occurs in “the space between”
  – Visits, Providers, Hospital stays
• Care Coordination is Necessary but not Sufficient to Achieve Integration
• Only way to succeed is to engage all stakeholders— including patients and families— as participants and partners
The Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2006

1. Expand and enhance respite care services to family caregivers;
2. Improve statewide dissemination and coordination of respite care;
3. Improve access and quality of respite care services to family caregivers, thereby reducing family caregiver strain.
Wouldn’t It Be Nice If...

- There was no disintegration
- Patients/ Families/ Caregivers were given information when they needed it, and in a fashion that made it actionable?
What is Respite?

Respite services, planned or emergency, provide caregivers a needed break from their ongoing responsibilities, enabling them to keep their family unit intact and healthy.

Respite services can be beneficial, meaningful, and enjoyable to both the caregiver and the care receiver. Lifespan respite acknowledges that families looking for respite services share a common need regardless of the age or diagnosis of the individual that requires care.
What Do We Need Collectively?

• Time for renewal and respite care can provide you with the time to do that.
• Information about diagnosis
• Ability to navigate health care “system”
• Mentorship?
Opportunities in Era of Health Care Reform
Achieving the Triple Aim
Principles reflect:
- Patient-centeredness and family engagement
- Quality care for patients of all ages, populations, service locations, and sources of coverage
- Elimination of disparities
- Alignment of public and private sectors
The Urgent “Triple Aim”
Integrated Care Domains

Integrated Care “Holistic Care”

Team-Based Care
- Team Configuration
- Communication
- Knowledge Sharing

Connection to Life/Community (Connecting Medical Care and Other)
- Information
- Family Impact

Future (Care Planning)
- Long-Term Plan/Roadmap
- Goals

Capturing the Value of Respite

• Measures
  – Experience
  – Empowerment
  – Resource Utilization
  – Quality and Safety
  – Economic outcomes
## Care Coordination Activities

### Family-driven, youth-guided
- Shared decision making, “doing with” families
- Patient needs and preferences are understood
- Skill building: family capacity building, care team skills

### Facilitate transitions: making and tracking referrals
- Family engagement: family goals, NEED for referral
- Ingredients of a “warm” handoff
- Information needed at transition points

### Creating, maintaining care plan
- Measures to monitor effective co-developed care plans
- Family engagement in setting goals, co-created plans
- Teach back
- Training

### Linking to community resources
- Accountability framework
- Synergies/reducing duplication

### Transition to adult care/transition out of programs
- Critical for youth with special health care needs