

# CBO Contracting Perspectives

## *Opportunities and Challenges*

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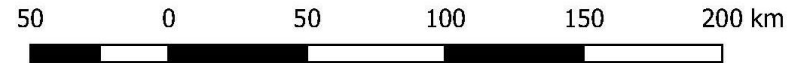
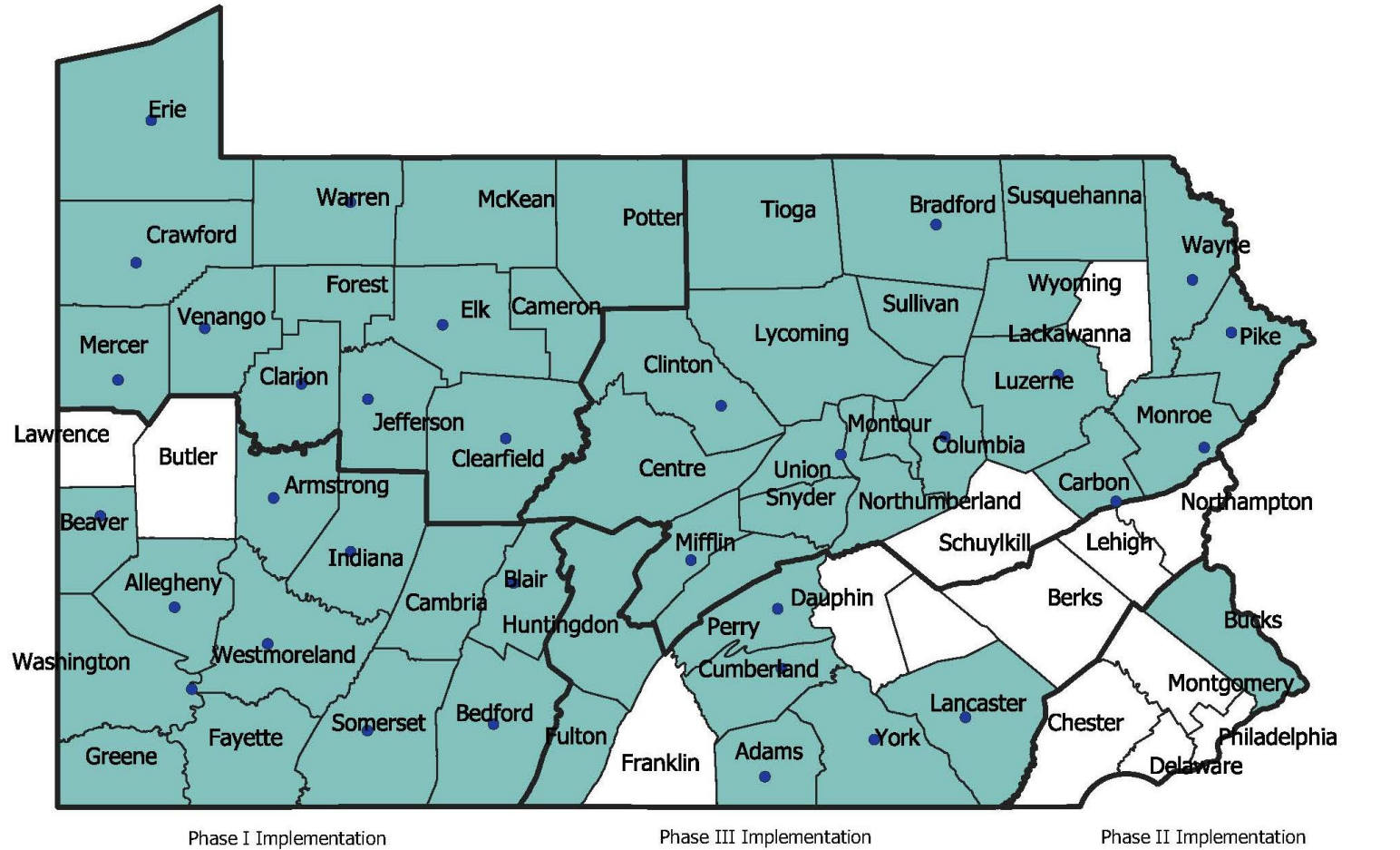


# Comprehensive Care Connections – “C3”



- Non-profit formed in 2016 by a group of Pennsylvania AAAs
- Initially formed to support AAAs as Service Coordinators during the launch of managed Medicaid long term services and supports (MLTSS), known as “Community HealthChoices” in Pennsylvania
- Single-source contractor for AAA programs across the health care sector
- Informal relationships exist with non-C3 AAAs across the state

# C3 Founding Agencies



## Legend

- C3 Agency Locations
- C3 Counties



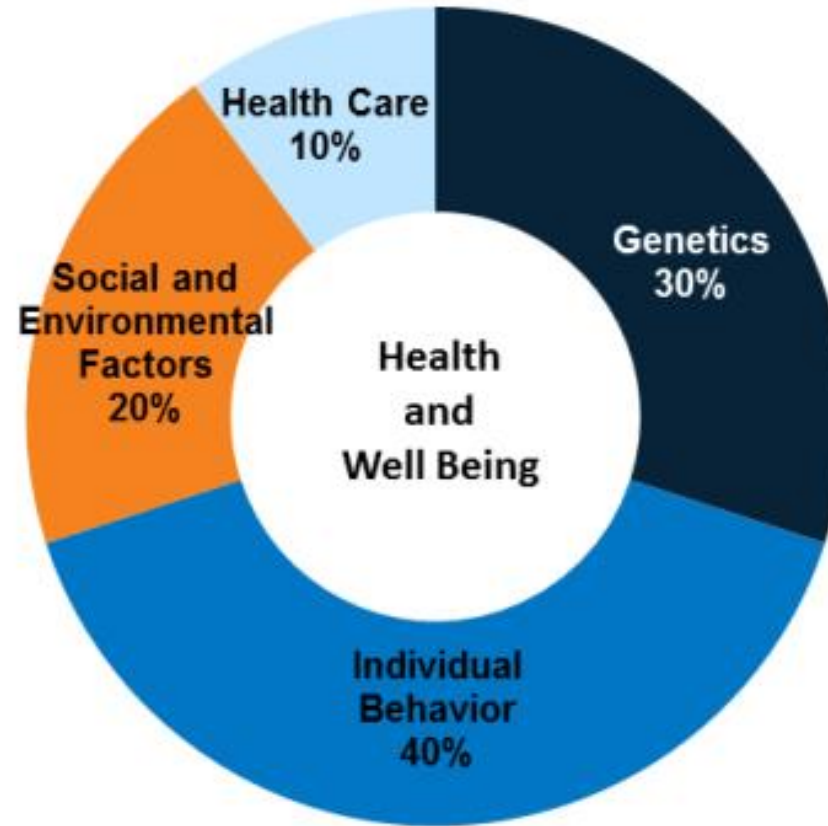
# Why Address SDOH?

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# Impact of Different Factors on Risk of Premature Death

Why Addressing SDOH should be a Priority

60%



SOURCE: Schroeder, SA. (2007). We Can Do Better — Improving the Health of the American People. *NEJM*. 357:1221-8.

# Why Addressing SDOH should be a Priority

- Health care is a relatively weak health determinant when compared to social factors<sup>1</sup>
- 68% of patients suffer from at least one SDOH challenge with 57% having moderate-to-high risk<sup>2</sup>

1 – <https://www.kff.org/disparities-policy/issue-brief/beyond-health-care-the-role-of-social-determinants-in-promoting-health-and-health-equity/>

2 – <https://www.healthcarediver.com/news/1-in-5-patients-at-high-risk-of-socioeconomic-health-problem-survey-finds/544233/>

# Why do CBOs matter in this conversation?

- Only 15-21% patients indicate wanting a health care clinician's help addressing their socioeconomically-induced health condition
- CBOs represent a ready-made, experienced, nationwide solution to address Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)



What Experience do CBOs have?



# What types of services do AAAs offer?

- **Care Transition Services** (*EX: hospital, nursing home, or rehab facilities to home*)
- Needs **Assessments** and **Care Coordination** (required for SSBCI)
- **Chronic disease self-care management programs**
- Home-delivered (and congregate) **meals, nutrition counseling** and education
- Non-medical **transportation**
- **Caregiver** supports
- Senior Centers/**Adult Day** programs
- In-home personal care services
- **Social Isolation**/depression screenings
- Housing assistance and coordination (**home mods**, repairs, etc.)
- Information, referral and enrollment assistance to eligible services and programs



Can they deliver results (positive outcomes)?

# PA Care Transitions Experience: by the #s

## **AAAs participated in the CMS Community Care Transitions Program (CCTP)**

- 16,847 – consumers transitioned to their communities from 11 regional hospitals
- 94% – received a comprehensive medication review and reconciliation
- 19-33% – decrease in hospital readmission rates
- 17.4% – increase in compliance with PCP visit within seven days of discharge



# C3 and Humana at Home

# Humana at Home

- A **care management** program that helps eligible Humana patients remain independent at home
- Focus is on patients who—
  - Are frequently hospitalized (or at risk of being hospitalized)
  - Have limited family support
  - Have chronic conditions such as:
    - congestive heart failure (CHF)
    - chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
    - coronary artery disease (CAD) or
    - diabetes

# Humana at Home – Service Offerings

## **Long-Term Care Management:**

- Regular contacts for assessment/care planning, assistance with benefits and other eligible resources, and self-care coaching
- Support is provided by phone and through home visits (typically weekly)
- As the member's needs change, services are modified to meet an appropriate level of care
- Goal: Engagement with the member

## **30-Day Transitions Service:**

- Care management services are provided for 30 days after a hospital or sub-acute discharge
- Care Manager visits the member in the facility or home, coordinates care with the member's primary care physician, and provides telephonic support.
- Goal: reduce unnecessary hospitalizations and emergency room visits

# What is C3's role?

- C3 developed a services process with Humana that allows us to coordinate the partnership using a standardized model across multiple area agencies on aging
- Leverages the benefit of a single administrator, coordinated response metrics, quality improvement, and sharing of best practices
- Piloted in Pennsylvania, C3 is working with Humana to expand the partnership into other states

# Humana at Home – Where are we now

11 AAAs

42 Care Managers

*“C3’s statewide reach makes them a perfect partner for national health plans.”*  
*-Humana at Home presenter*

*“I am tickled by the dedication and commitment C3 has to Humana’s Success”*  
*- Dana Tomson, Humana Clinical Care Lead*



# Challenges and Lessons Learned

- Manage **Medicare compliance** as a downstream provider (*not designed for CBOs*)
- Focus on **outcomes** and **customer satisfaction**
- Manage complexity caused by working in multiple **IT systems**
- Know the **health plan benefits**
- “Sell” the program **enrollment**
- **Volume** is critical



# National Interest from MCOs

# Frequent Programs of Interest

- Comprehensive Needs **Assessment** (for SSBCI)
- **Care Coordination**
- Coordination of home delivered **meals** and nutrition education
- Home Environmental and Barriers Assessments—
  - *Falls risk hazards*
  - *Self-care barriers: electricity is turned off, lack of HVAC, no refrigeration or cooking ability, pest issues, etc.*
  - *Medication review*

# Other Potential Programs... *(continued)*

- **Evidence-based self-care management** programs:
  - *diabetes, chronic disease, etc.*
- **Screenings—**
  - *Annual Health Risk Assessments and Hard-to-Reach engagement*
  - *Social isolation, behavioral/depression*
  - *Breast cancer*
  - *Homelessness*
  - *Falls Risk*
- **Home Mods/repairs**



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