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Exploring Future Models of Care Delivery for Texas

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Value Proposition:
- Identify best practices and insights on innovative primary care models (IPCMs)
- Describe the ideal teams to implement the IPCM for the Texas population
- Facilitate research-informed strategic planning towards an IPCM for Texas and potentially redesign PC services across health systems and other states

Description:
The healthcare delivery system is evolving from a reactive delivery model to a more coordinated and proactive model of care. Today, practice guidelines, chronic disease prevention, diagnostic and treatment technologies, and an increasingly engaged population present the healthcare delivery model with a unique opportunity to reinvent itself. Primary care (PC) is a key player in the future models of care and can be the anchor of an effective healthcare delivery model. PC providers are now pursuing strategies to engage patients earlier and more often by using innovative technologies. Further, PC networks stand to benefit from improved integration with specialty care. Finally, PC networks are becoming increasingly proactive with their high acuity patients through the use of remote monitoring technologies and mobile health. In designing these new care models it is important to make informed judgments on what is best suited for well-defined population segments within a state. The purpose of this study is to identify best practices of Innovative PC Models (IPCM) and to describe a potential future PC model for Texas.

How this is different than related research:
The IPCM is a product of a new environment of care concerned with improved access, effectiveness, timeliness, patient/parent engagement, and efficiency of pediatric care. The IPCM calls for evolving care teams and professional leadership in the re-engineering of work processes. This research is heavily driven by both theory and practice to more clearly define IPCMs and their variants across the US. Results of this research will provide a model for IPCM for the state of Texas first and guide CHOT members in IPCM planning and implementation in other states. In addition, there is a focus on mechanisms to place and retain care-givers in rural communities.