



Message from the CEO

Belal Abdallah, M.D., CEO and Board Chairman, Beaumont ACO

Annual meeting recap and election results

Greetings all ACO members, staff and families:

The Beaumont ACO concluded its 2020 annual meeting of the members last month at the Detroit Athletic Club. We are pleased to announce that 128 members attended the event and participated in our annual election process. The Beaumont ACO had its best year yet in terms of member growth, increase in covered lives and incentive dollars earned and shared with our members. The ACO continues to be driven by three strategic priorities: physician engagement, maximizing pay-for-performance and incentive opportunities as well as information technology. Additionally, the ACO remains committed to the pursuit of clinical integration and the structure of a physician/health system partnership to achieve our objectives.

The election results are as follows:

This year the Beaumont ACO had five seats up for election, three PCP and two specialist seats. We would like to congratulate the following physician members who have been elected to a three-year term on the Beaumont ACO Board of Managers:

- ♦ Dr. Abraham Slaim, Family Medicine
- ♦ Dr. Carol Baker, Family Medicine
- ♦ Dr. Belal Abdallah, Internal Medicine
- ♦ Dr. M. Raslan, Pulmonology
- ♦ Dr. Rajesh Gulati, Cardiology

Additionally, the ACO Board has approved expanding the Board this year to include representation from all eight Beaumont acute care campuses. This means we will be adding four new primary care seats from Beaumont, Farmington Hills, Grosse Pointe, Royal Oak and Troy. Congratulations to the following physicians who will be serving in those roles:

- ♦ Dr. Kevin Frankel, Family Medicine, Farmington Hills
- ♦ Dr. Alok Shukla, Internal Medicine, Grosse Pointe
- ♦ Dr. Michael Barnes, Internal Medicine, Royal Oak
- ♦ Dr. Stephen Williams, Internal Medicine, Troy

Best regards,

Dr. Belal Abdallah
Chief Executive Officer
Chair, Beaumont ACO Board



Executive Director Update

Walter Lorang, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Beaumont ACO

MACRA update/MIPS reporting

Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the Beaumont ACO has achieved Advanced Alternative Payment Model status under our new contract with CMS for Medicare Shared Savings Program for the 2019 reporting year. This means for our PCPs who are participating with the Beaumont ACO for MSSP that they are precluded from MIPS reporting requirements for 2019 and will receive a 5% lump sum bonus paid in 2021 as opposed to a MIPS reporting increase for 2021.

For all our ACO PCP and specialist members not participating in MSSP, MIPS reporting for 2019 may need to be completed. The due date to complete that reporting is Tuesday, March 31. We again continue to offer free resources and consultant assistance if you qualify as a MSSP specialist with the ACO. Listed below is contact information on the free resources available for providers through Altarum. Additionally, MSSP specialists can reach out to the ACO provider relations team if consultant assistance for MIPS reporting help is desired.

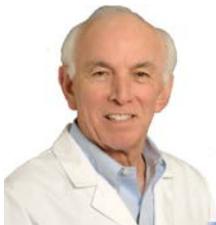
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Email: gppinfo@altarum.org (<mailto:gppinfo@altarum.org>) | Toll-free phone: 1-844-777-4968 or 1-844-QPP-4YOU

If you have additional questions, would like more details or would like to speak with an ACO representative, please contact our Provider Relations team at 947-522-0037 or via email at: ACOPROVIDERRELATIONS@BEAUMONT.ORG (<mailto:ACOPROVIDERRELATIONS@BEAUMONT.ORG>).

Sincerely,

Walter Lorang
Executive Director, Chief Operating Officer
Beaumont ACO



Finance Chair Update

Abraham Slaim, D.O., Chair, Finance and Contracting Committee, Beaumont ACO

New contract offering - Meridian Health Plan

Colleagues,

Beaumont ACO is delighted to announce that we have completed a new value-based contract with Meridian Health Plan for their Medicaid and Medicare Advantage Product lines. This new contract is effective Jan. 1, 2020 and available to all ACO members in goodstanding.

Meridian has recognized the high-quality performance and success the ACO providers have

achieved - being the No. 1 ACO in Michigan for MSSP for the 2018 performance year - and as a result have presented us with a unique contracting opportunity to participate in our market **and includes a new total cost of care value-based arrangement on their Medicaid population.** This contract rewards providers as we improve quality scores and reduce unnecessary cost and utilization on the population. Benefits Include:

- ♦ FFS payment at 100% of Medicare and Medicaid rates with no withholds
- ♦ 25% sharing on upside only total cost of care shared savings model
- ♦ Quality payments for improvement on metrics

If you are interested in gaining access to this new contract with Meridian through the Beaumont ACO, please contact the Beaumont ACO Provider Relations team at 947-522-0037 or by email at ACOPROVIDERRELATIONS@BEAUMONT.ORG (<mailto:ACOPROVIDERRELATIONS@BEAUMONT.ORG>).

Sincerely,

Dr. Abe Slaim
Chair, Finance and Contracting Committee
Beaumont ACO



Message from the Associate Medical Director

Halima Ali, M.D., Associate Medical Director, Beaumont ACO

Advanced Care Planning

Colleagues,

We've observed many of our physicians providing primary care are not completing Advanced Care Planning services. ACP helps patients prepare for current and future decisions about their medical treatment and place of care. Unfortunately, many patients face medical decision-making at a time they lack the capacity to make decisions for themselves and end up receiving care that is discordant from their personal preferences. Please be sure to have these conversations with your patients and recognize these services are billable to Medicare on a fee-for-services basis.

Additionally, the ACO has resources to help patients who desire to have assistance in completing their ACPs. The Beaumont ACO's AIM team is trained in Advanced Care Planning and accepts referrals as needed. Please forward them to Donna Mimikos at Donna.Mimikos@beaumont.org (<mailto:Donna.Mimikos@beaumont.org>) or 947-522-0026. The ACO has developed an ACP Tip Sheet to assist providers in delivering these services. Please click the link to [Advanced Care Planning Tip Sheet \(/docs/default-source/2020.feb.newsletter/4b-advanced-care-planning-tip-sheet.pdf?sfvrsn=25708956_2\)](/docs/default-source/2020.feb.newsletter/4b-advanced-care-planning-tip-sheet.pdf?sfvrsn=25708956_2)

Sincerely,

Dr. Halima Ali
Associate Medicare Director
Beaumont ACO



Medical Director Update

Sarju Shah, M.D., Medical Director, Beaumont ACO

Flu vaccine reminder

Colleagues,

Flu Vaccine Season runs from Aug. 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020. How to close the gap?

- provide the flu shot in your office and document in your EMR
- document in your EMR if the patient had a flu shot elsewhere (CVS, work, etc.)
- if patient refuses/declines/is allergic, document the patient's decline/refusal/allergic tendency in your EMR

All documentation must occur annually.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sarju Shah
Chief Medical Officer
Beaumont ACO

Quality corner

The Beaumont ACO is making a concerted effort to improve the Medicare Shared Savings Plan measure "All – Cause Unplanned Readmission for Patients with Multiple Chronic Conditions (ACO 38)". Providers who are participating in Medicare Shared Savings Plan can assist in the following ways.

Read more about the **quality corner** (https://www.beaumont-aco.org/docs/default-source/2020.feb.newsletter/5-beaumont-aco-quality-corner.pdf?sfvrsn=26708956_2) on the Beaumont ACO website.