Bipartisan Round Table on Hospitals and Health Care

CT State Medical Society –IPA

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Our mission is to promote high-quality, cost effective medical care that is physician driven, financially sustainable and valued by healthcare stakeholders.
CSMS–IPA

- Incorporated in 1986
- 7,000 member physicians
- 2,000 non-physician practitioners
- Largest and only statewide IPA in CT
- Governed by 27 member physician board
  - Primary Care
  - Specialist
Independent Practice Association

- Physician Owned and Operated
- Assist all physicians to meet demands of patients, insurers, and health care systems
- Services driven by the immediate need of Physicians
- Structure defines service offerings
Committed to the concept that improved patient engagement and care quality will result in lower overall health care costs;

Actively promote Health Information Technology adoption

Support the transformation of Primary Care to a Patient Centered model of care;
CSMS–IPA Priorities

- Offer resources for qualified practices in pursuit of recognition by NCQA as Patient Centered Medical Homes (PCMH);

- Provide Shared Savings programs to CSMS–IPA members who opt into the Patient Centered Practice Model (PCPM) network;

- Partner with health plans in areas of contracting, network management, cost containment, and risk adjustment;
Endorse and participate in bringing CMS Innovation Center opportunities to the Connecticut marketplace, including Accountable Care Organizations

Respond to the rapidly changing health care marketplace and keep members updated on new initiatives.
In conclusion

IPAs continue to support the independent small and mid-sized providers in their delivery of quality services. The challenges include the rapid pace of change, lack of resources of our membership and clinical integration with the hospitals.