Facilitated Mini Training - Using Telehealth to Support Interdisciplinary Care Delivery for CYSHCN Within the **Medical Home Speakers Notes**

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Today we are going to do a facilitated mini training on interdisciplinary care. The idea is to encourage discussion around this topic. In this training we will explore best techniques and strategies as it relates to Interdisciplinary Care Delivery for **CYSHCN** through telehealth.

As we get started, what words come to mind when you hear the phrase "Interdisciplinary Care"? Who can describe some of the components of **Interdisciplinary Care?**

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Define interdisciplinary team-based care for CYSHCN.
- Describe 3 strategies that can be used to support interdisciplinary team-based care for CYSHCN through telehealth.
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The needs of children with special healthcare needs and their families are unique and ever-changing and depend on a variety of support systems. Therefore, an interdisciplinary care approach in which clinicians from different disciplines partner with family/caregivers and patients to provide the best care for CYSHCN, can ensure an effective support system to address the needs of the child and family in the context of their home and community.

An interdisciplinary approach to care builds on the foundation of the medical home by reaching out to a potentially broad array of participants in the life of a child and incorporating them into the care provided. Consistent with the medical home model, interdisciplinary care includes families as equal members of the care team and emphasizes the importance of fostering strong family professional partnerships.

WHAT IS INTERDISCIPLINARY CARE DELIVERY FOR CYSHCN?

Clinicians from different disciplines partner with family/caregivers and patients to provide the best care for children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN)₁



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TELEHEALTH OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY CARE

- Opportunities Challenges

 Partnering with families/caregivers in Ability to perform physical shared interdisciplinary decision—

 Shared interviolants of the control of the
- partners

 Mitigating health and safety concerns

 Observation of home
 environment/equipment
 Inclusion of home-and clinic-based
 team members

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- Ability to review asynchronous and synchronous data
- shared interdisciplinary decision-making and care planning discussions Real-time care planning among care exam and validity of observations

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- There are several Opportunities and Challenges that Telehealth poses for providing interdisciplinary care.
- For example, this approach allows for partnering with families/caregivers in shared interdisciplinary decision-making and care planning discussions, realtime care planning among care partners and mitigating health and safety concerns. Other opportunities are to be able to observe the home environment/equipment, include other home- and clinic-based team members, as well as the ability to review asynchronous and synchronous data.
- Telehealth for interdisciplinary care can present some challenges. For example, performing physical exams and validity of observations via

telehealth. There may also be a change in the dynamics of remote vs. inperson interactions and possible technical challenges.

What are some opportunities that Telehealth presents for Interdisciplinary Care in the populations that you serve?

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What are some challenges?

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3 STRATEGIES FOR USING TELEHEALTH TO SUPPORT INTERDISCIPLINARY CARE DELIVERY

- Preparation
- Team Roles
- Team Communication



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There are 3 main strategies for Using Telehealth to support Interdisciplinary Care Delivery:

- 1. Preparation what can be done prior to the telehealth visit.
- 2. Team Roles how to designate specific roles and responsibilities for your team members.
- 3. Team Communication what are some strategies for improving communication and ensuring a smooth interdisciplinary care telehealth interaction.

We will take a closer look at each of these next....

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- In advance of an interdisciplinary team telehealth appointment, it is important to prepare and set expectations with the family. Consider if the visit is appropriate for telehealth. Does the family need to be able to share specific views of the child to maximize the visit – what prep does the family need for a telehealth PT assessment or ASD assessment? Is this shared beforehand?
- You should also clarify who else will be in attendance during the visit and perform a tech check to ensure families have access to the telehealth platform, reliable internet access, and as private of a space as possible prior to visit.
- Find out if there is a need for interpreter services or other accommodations.
- Pre-visit forms can be a very helpful tool to enable caregivers and patients to establish their goals for the visit and what concerns are most pressing from their perspective. Broad review of systems forms can be helpful for both clinician and family to screen for underlying issues and then narrow to important topics needing to be addressed during the visit.
- These types of forms can also help prioritize care team members who will engage with the family during the telehealth appointment.
- It is also very beneficial for the various members of the care team to have communicated among themselves in a team huddle prior to meeting with the patient/family to discuss any concerns.

<What preparation challenges may the care team face prior to a telehealth appointment?> <wait for responses/discuss responses>

STRATEGY 2: CLARIFY TEAM ROLES/RESPONSIBILITIES

STRATEGY 1: PREPARATION IN ADVANCE OF THE

TELEHEALTH APPOINTMENT · Consider if the visit is appropriate for telehealth

Clarify clinician location and attendance (as individuals

Team huddle to review patient/family information, discuss any

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or teams)

Pre-visit planning

- Information gathering:
- What information needs to be gathered from families/caregivers?
 Which team members will gather information?
- When will information gathering occur?
- Who is responsible for integrating all the information and developing that integrated plan of care in partnership with family?
- Avoid having to make the family/caregiver repeat their story multiple times
- · Create plain language guide for families/caregivers

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Setting clear team roles and responsibilities is another important factor to help ensure a smooth interdisciplinary telehealth interaction.

- Start by considering with **what** information needs to be gathered from families/caregivers?
- Ask and decide Which team members will gather information?
- And finally make a plan about When will information gathering occur?

Who is responsible for integrating all of the information, whether telehealth or in-person, and developing that integrated plan of care in partnership with family?

Avoid having to make the family/caregiver repeat their story multiple times.

- Determine most appropriate schedule for different clinicians and clinician teams (see example on next slide)
- Create plain language guide for families/caregivers to understand purpose of the visit, who they may interact with in the telehealth environment, and what to expect.

<What challenges may the care team face in terms of clearly identifying team roles for a telehealth appointment?>

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In the virtual space, considering ways to communicate to the whole team is critical. Consider each step in the process.

- Is the visit Synchronous or asynchronous?
- Identify secure method for communication: Electronic health record, Email or Secure messaging?
- Identify how best to communicate care plan to family/caregiver after the visit.
- Identify how to incorporate any required accommodations (language interpreter) as part of communication strategy.

It can be helpful to picture how your team communicates during an in-person interdisciplinary clinic. When we are together, we are often communicating in a number of ways without necessarily thinking.

< What are some common communication challenges your care team faces during and after a telehealth appointment?>

<wait for responses/discuss responses>

STRATEGY 3: DISCUSS TEAM COMMUNICATION

- · Synchronous or asynchronous
- · Communication method:
- · Electronic health record
- · Secure messaging
- · Required accommodations (language interpreter)



INTERDISCIPLINARY TELEHEALTH VISIT WORKFLOW











- □ Family provided with pre-visit from to complete if needed
 □ Accommodations for interpreter or for those with hearing or visual i
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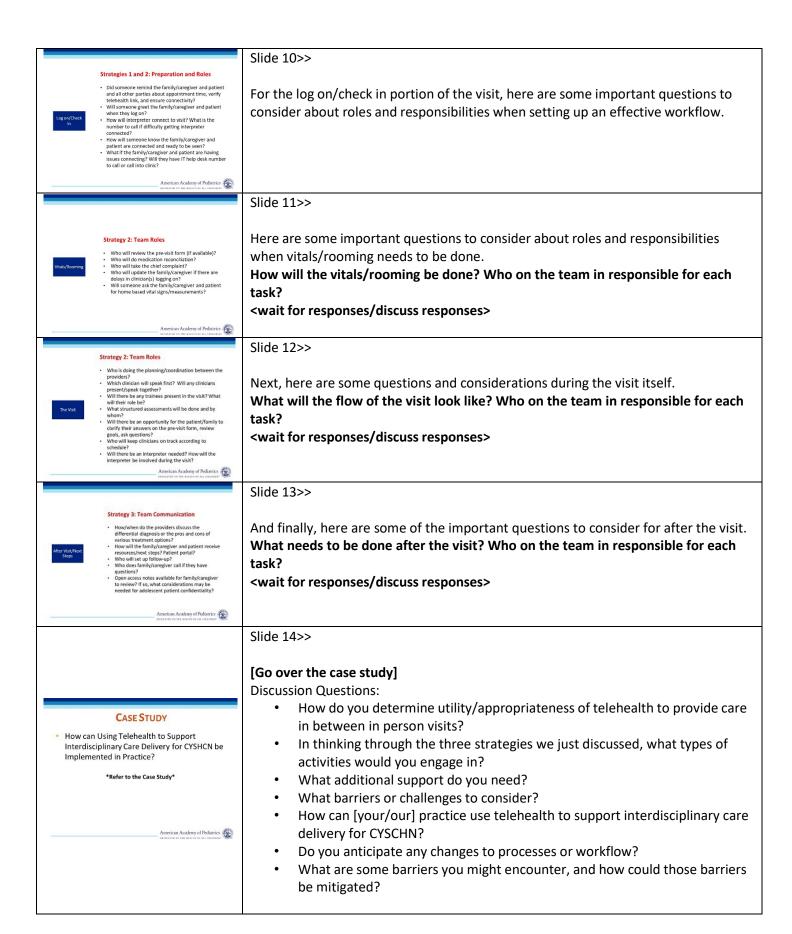
Now we can go over an example of a workflow that incorporates these 3 strategies....

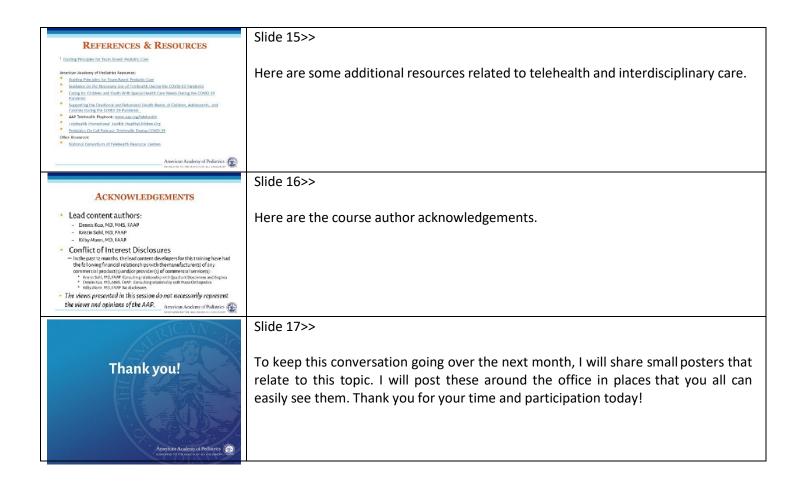
For the preparation stage, consider what pre-visit activities need to be accomplished and include them in the pre-visit checklist. These can include:

- Family and all clinicians have access to reliable internet, platform, and as private of a space as possible.
- Family provided with pre-visit from to complete if needed.
- Accommodations for interpreter or for those with hearing or visual impairments arranged.
- Schedule of visit provided to all involved.
- Pre-visit form reviewed by team and available for review during visit.

What preparation needs to be done prior to patient's check in? Who on the team in responsible for each task?

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