Research Focus

Nonemptiness of Treatment and Large Utilization

Objectives Among Medicare Beneficiaries

This research was highlighted by John Hopkins Medline Plus.

How Electronic Door Allocation May Disrupt Primary Care Evaluations Among Senior Care Providers

It is well known that enrollment in Medicare part B and part D is driven not only by personal choice, but by other factors such as income, demographics, and location. In this study, we aimed to understand how the electronic door allocation system (EDAS) is used by primary care providers (PCPs) to enroll new Medicare beneficiaries and how it is perceived by patients. Using a validated survey tool, we found that EDAS has a significant impact on patient enrollment and satisfaction. This study highlights the need for further research to better understand the role of EDAS in Medicare enrollment and how it can be improved to meet the needs of patients and providers.

Counselor Feedback and Quality of Care in Medicare Advantage

The Center for Innovative Care in Aging has launched a podcast "Aging Fast and Slow." This quarter, we spotlight faculty member Sarah Szanton, a social gerontologist who focuses on the aging of modest and vulnerable older adults. She has been awarded a 2-year fellowship to study "Social Connections and Health Among Older Adults Living in Low-income Housing." Her mentors include Joseph Gallo, the director of CAPABLE, and David Roth, a social work professor at the Wharton School.

NEWS & UPDATES

New Jobs with Hartford Foundation for Public Policy and Operations

CAPABLE has been awarded a grant to partner with the Connecticut Department of Social Services and the Connecticut Department of Public Health to implement an innovative, community-based model of care coordination for people with dementia. This project, called "Aging Fast and Slow," will provide care coordination services to people with dementia and their caregivers in Connecticut. The project is being led by CAPABLE researcher Sarah Szanton.

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How Clinicians Discuss Medications During Primary Care Encounters Among Complex Patients and Quality of Care in Medicare Advantage. Gerontologist. 2019 Nov;59(6):1434-1443.