

Thoughts on Transforming the Pediatric Health Care System

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Background

1. Health care rests on a system of mutually dependent, interacting parts
2. A system requires agreement on goals and standards of care, reliable processes and accountability
3. System transformation needs to embrace longitudinal, life course care that transitions over time and place.

Family

1. Meaningful family engagement at all levels and aspects of the system
2. Children's health and development depends on their families' functioning, which in turn depends on their quality of life.
3. Family-centered care is inherently culturally competent

Population Health

1. Know and know about the patients and community to be served
2. Rationally regionalize care
3. Partner with other systems
4. Practices can segment patient populations to better design scheduling and staffing
5. Preventive care is a uniquely predictable service amenable to different funding and processes

Relationships

1. Team-based care and alternative payment
2. Strengthen relationships based on shared goals and values
3. Share resources across clinical practices