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Education and Training Strategy to Build Team- Based Care in **Palliative Care**

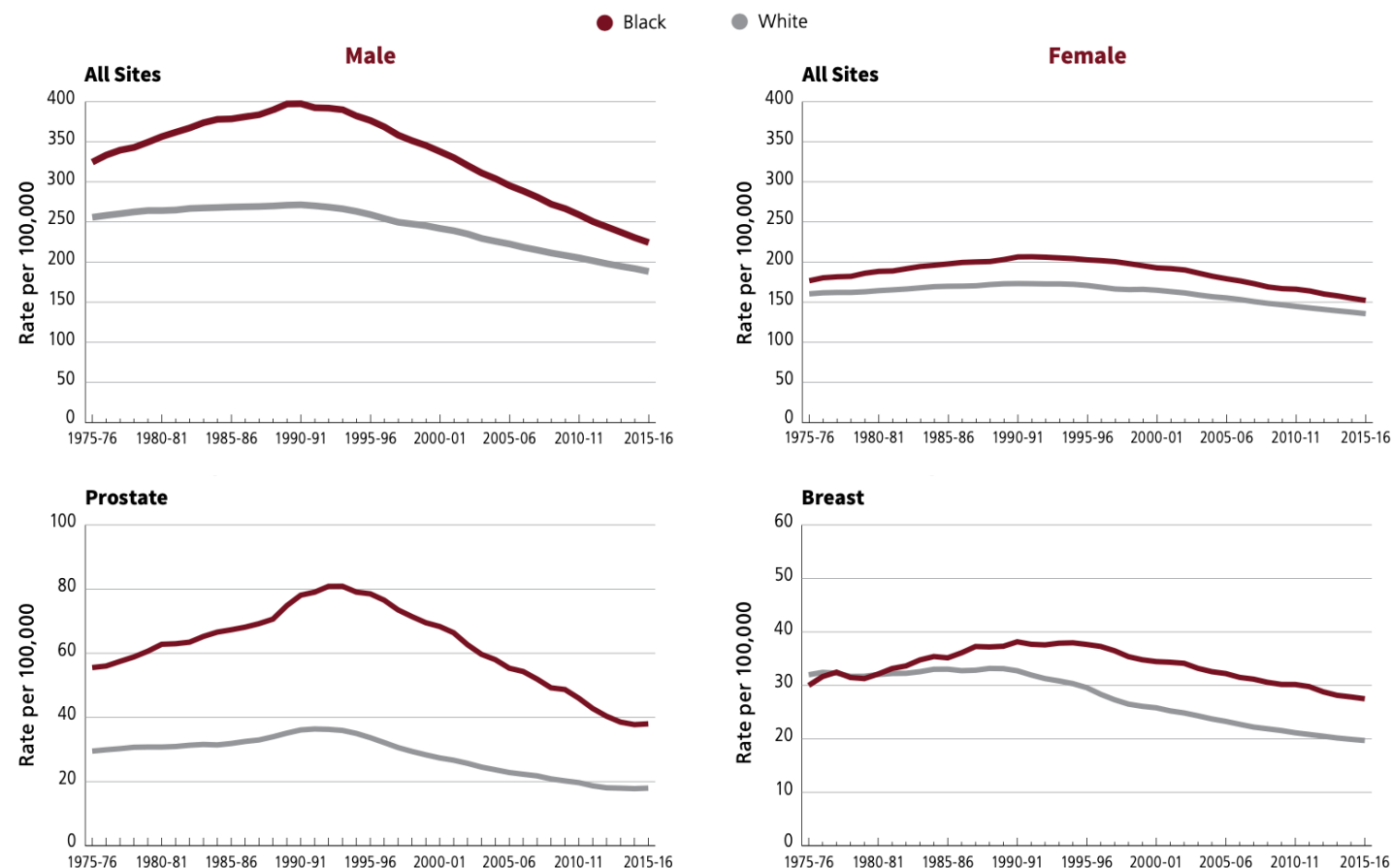
Ending cancer as we know it, for everyone.
(requires everyone)

Serious Illness Care is (Quickly) Evolving

- Movement to care across the time and geography continuum
- Home-based therapeutic and supportive care
- Prediction and just-in-time interventions for suffering
- Lack of therapeutic options going down, uncertainty going up
- Addressing health equity through HRSN assessments and community-based interventions
- Caregiver needs, burnout, and social isolation coming to forefront

Advances Have Not Benefitted Everyone

Figure 3. Trends in Death Rates* for Selected Cancer Sites among Blacks and Whites, US, 1975-2016



*Rates are age adjusted to the US standard population and are 2-year moving averages.

Source: National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2018.

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Known sources of cancer disparities

Lack of transportation
 Need for housing near cancer center
 Gaps in health & digital literacy
 Financial toxicity of cancer care
 Lack of access to coverage
 Provider and health system
 unconscious bias

Getting to Palliative Care 3.0



1.0 – AWARENESS

(OF PATIENT AND CAREGIVER
SUFFERING)



2.0 – AVAILABILITY

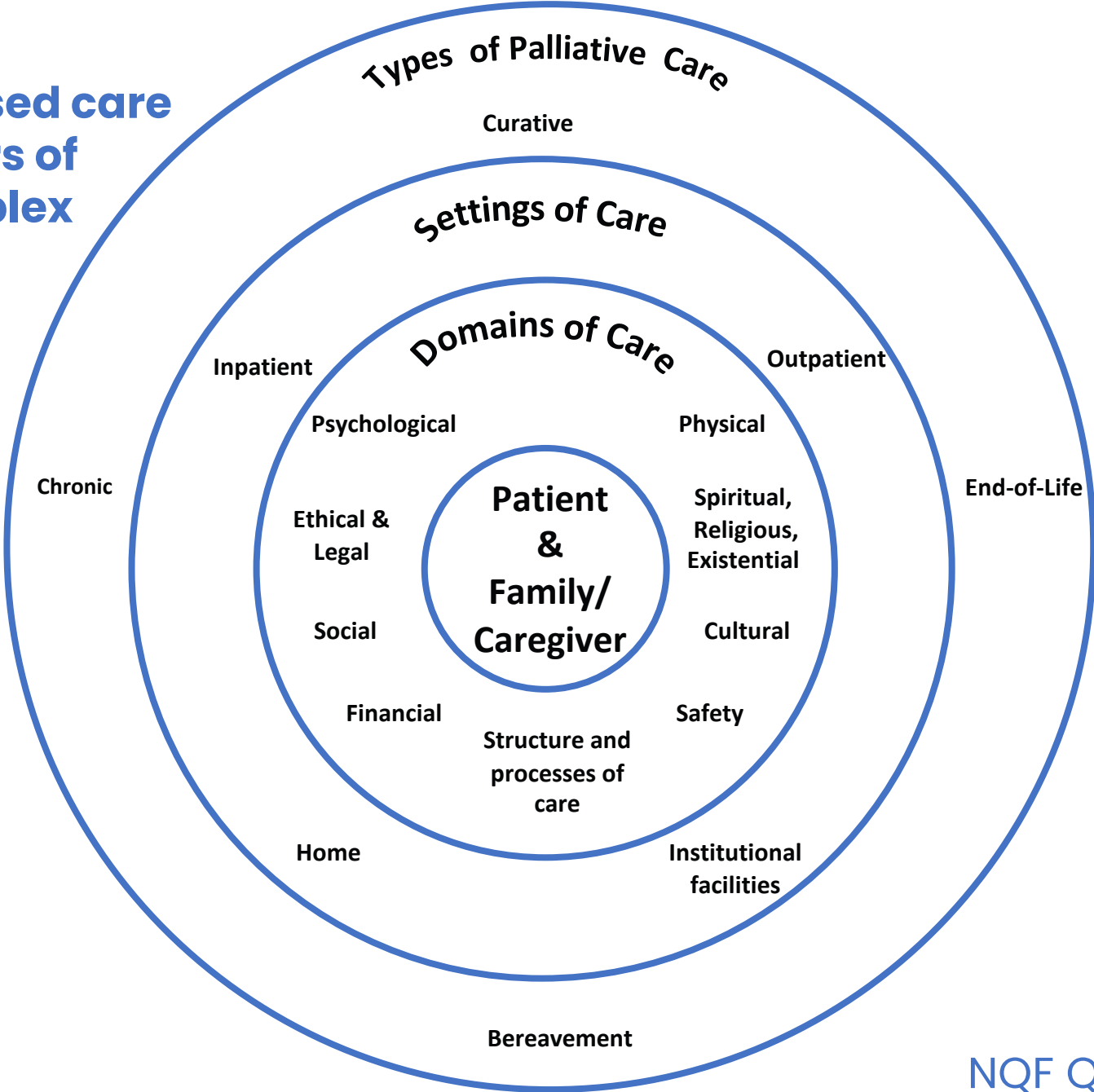
(OF SERVICES, STANDARDS,
GUIDELINES, QUALITY MEASURES)



3.0 - ACCESSIBILITY

(TO ALL WHO NEED IT, WHEN THEY
NEED IT, MEETING THEIR NEEDS)

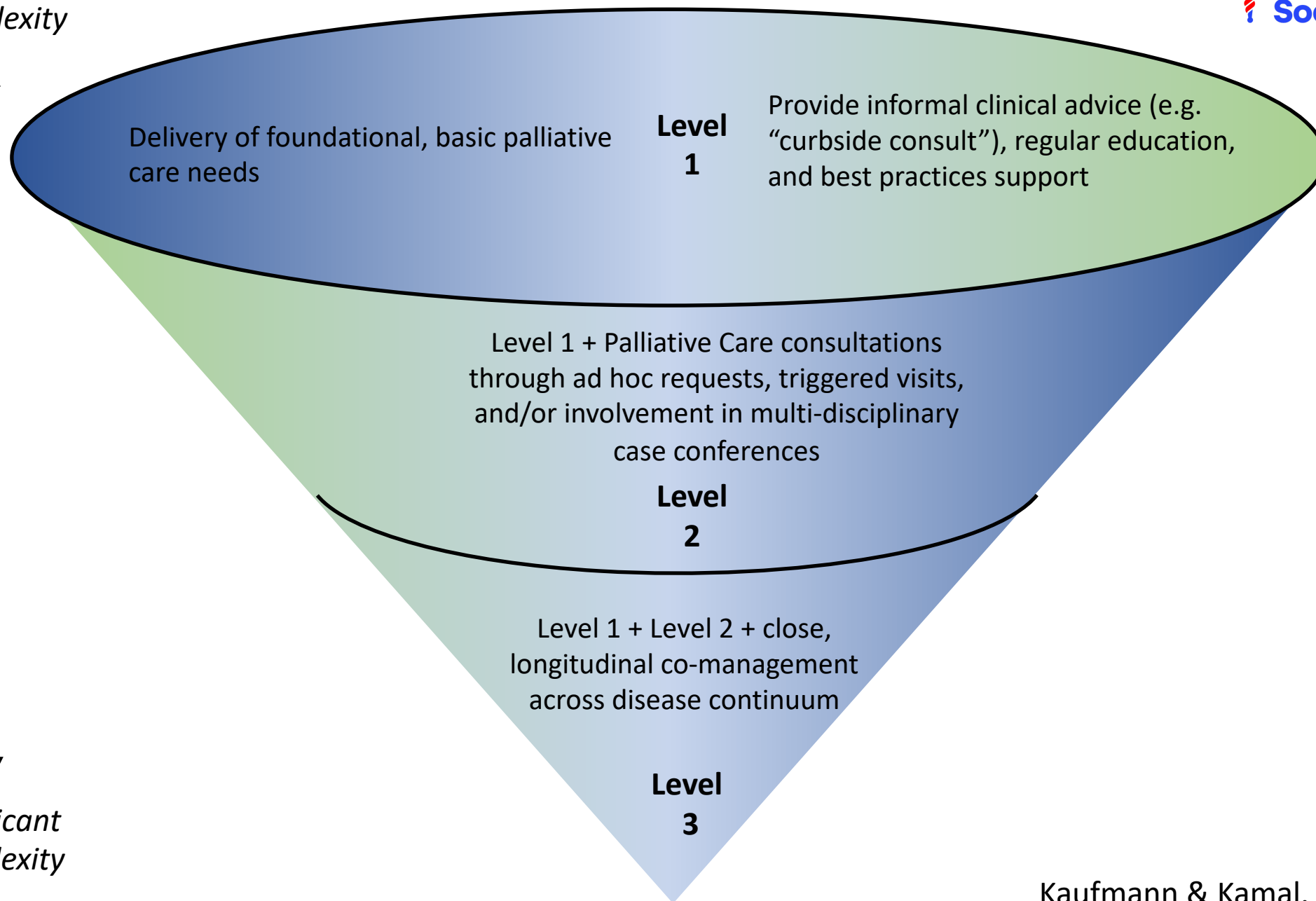
**Palliative Care
MUST BE team-based care
because the drivers of
suffering are complex**



*Standard
Complexity*

Oncology Team

Palliative Care Team



Patient and/or Caregiver Complex Needs Domains:

- Disease-specific
- Symptom
- Psychological
- Social
- Financial
- Spiritual
- Informational
- Prognostic
- Care Planning

*Significant
Complexity*

Respondents Who Provide Palliative Care in Office Practices or Clinics

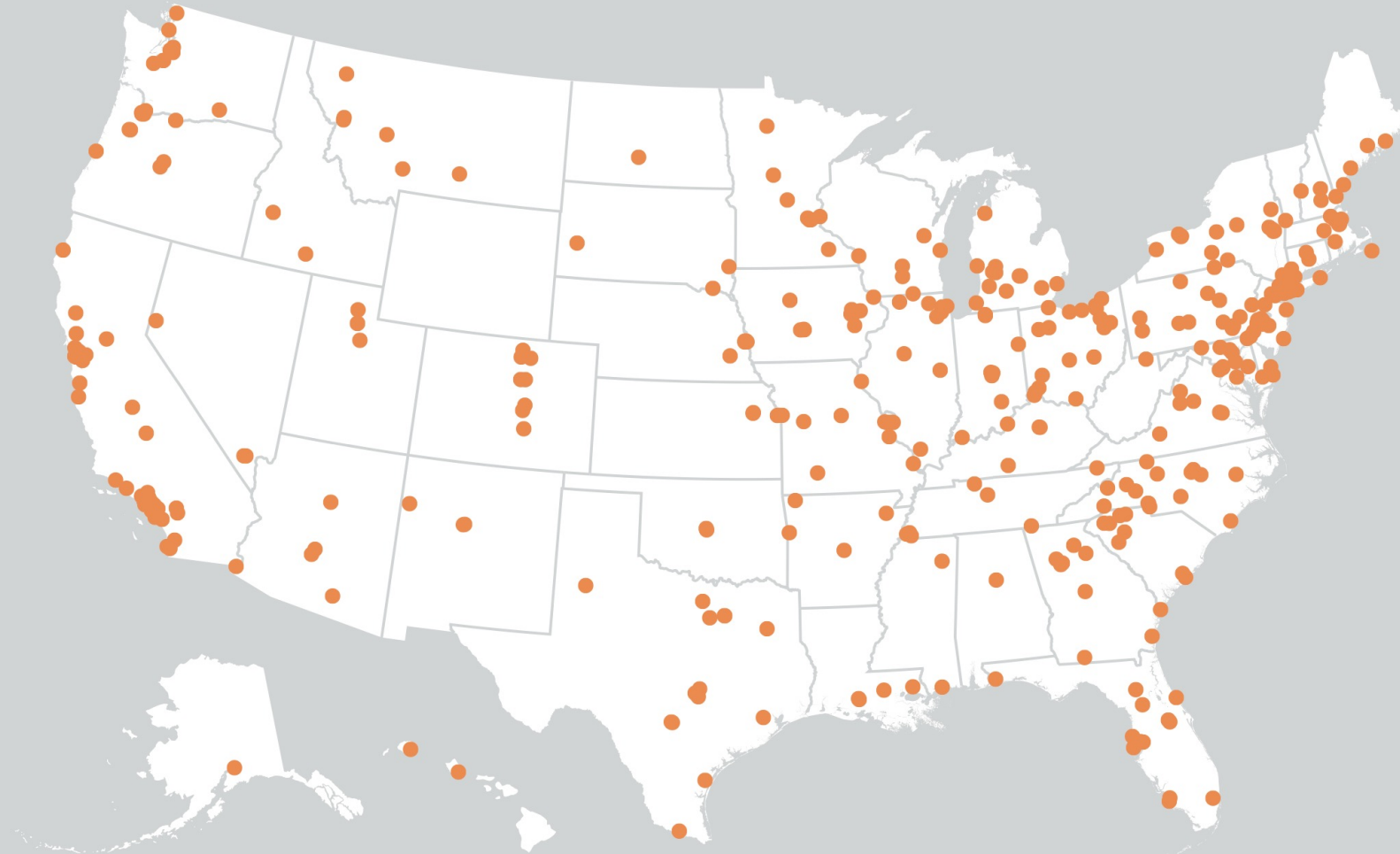
N=890 programs
across 3,162 sites of
care

49% operated by
hospices

46% provide office-
based care

65% provide in-
home care

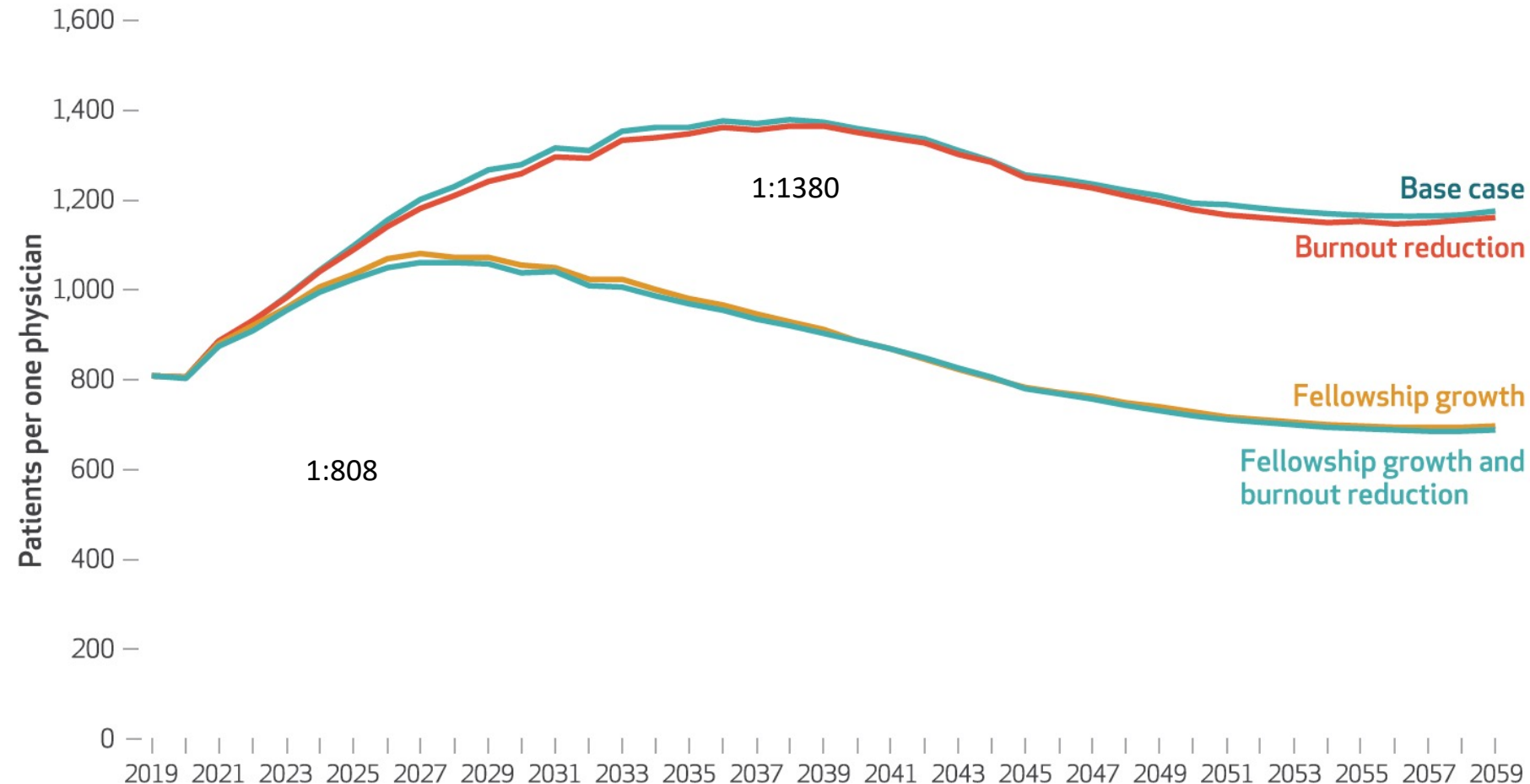
28% provide care in
long-term care
facilities



Physician:Patient Ratio

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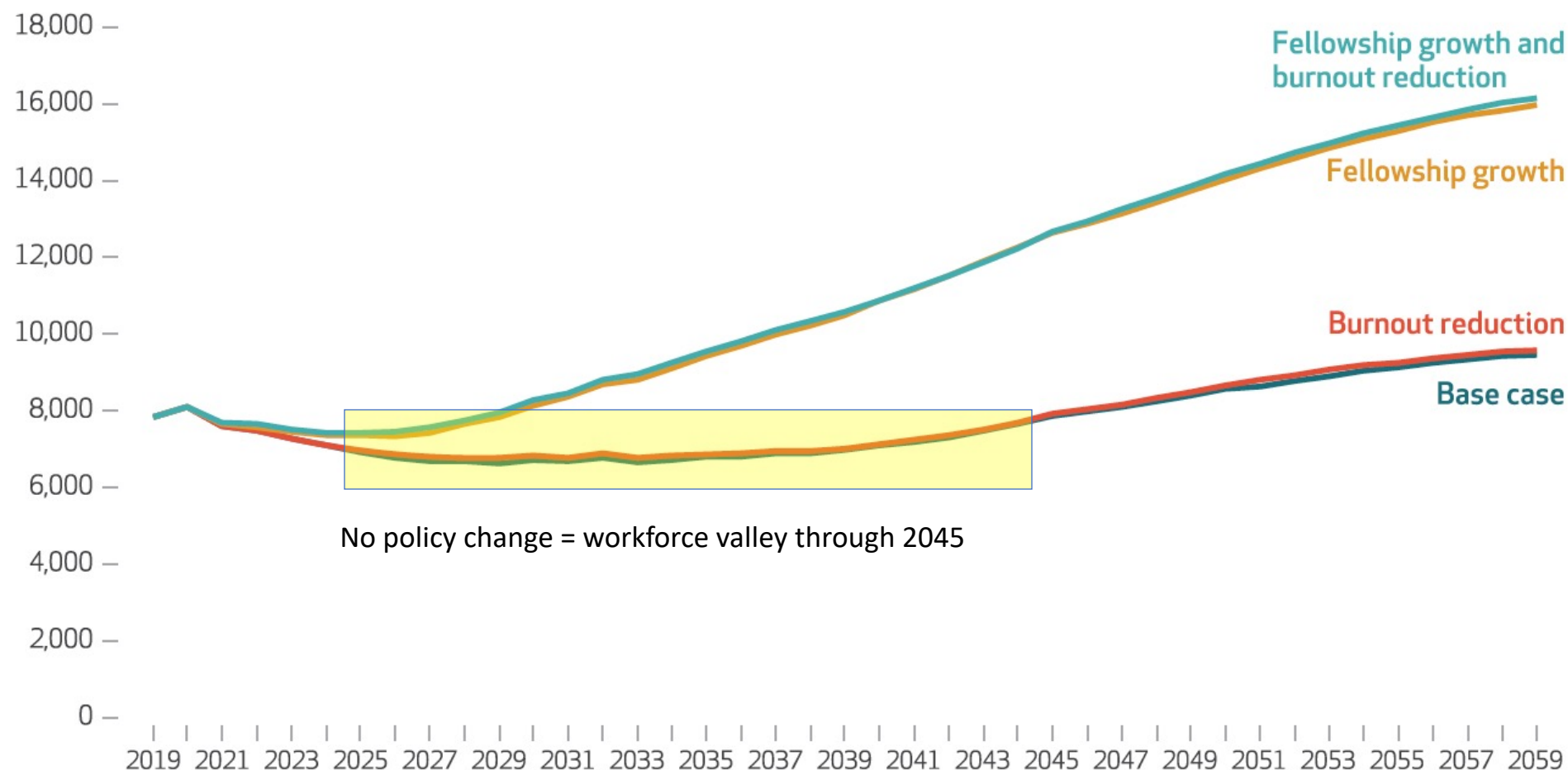
Projected numbers of Medicare patients eligible for palliative care per certified specialty palliative care physician in alternative scenarios, 2018-58



Projected Specialty PC Physician Workforce

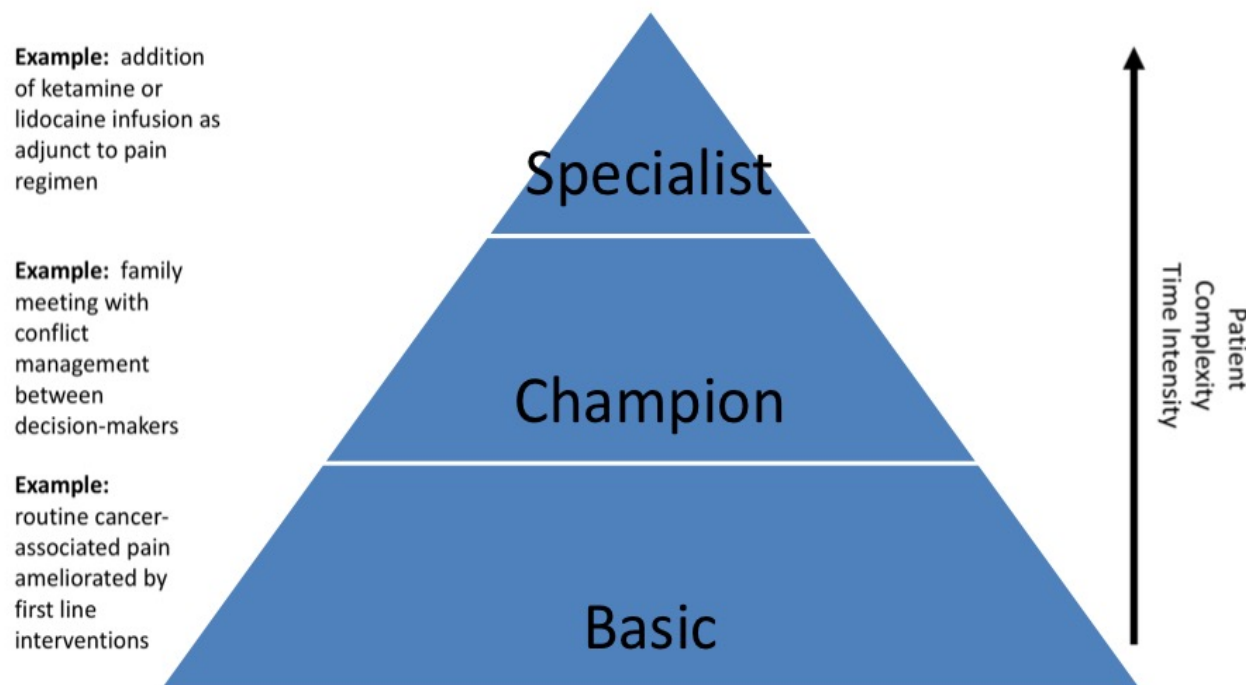
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Innovations in Palliative Care Training

- Advanced Degrees
- Certifications
- Immersion Training Courses
- Mid-career fellowships



Needed Policy Evolutions

- PCHETA (Palliative Care Hospice Education and Training Act)
- DIVERSE Clinical Trials Act
- Integrating Social Workers Across Health Care Settings Act
- Medicare Physician Fee Schedule



Thank you

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