



Huntsman at Home: Assessing Caregiver Needs in Oncology

Family Integrated Healthcare Collaborative

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Huntsman at Home Program



Goal: provide the highest quality, comprehensive, person-centered supportive and palliative care when and where patients and families need it most.

Services: IDT team – NPs, RNs, aides, social work, PT, pharmacists
24/7 hotline

Outcomes: (30 days)
55% fewer hospitalizations
45% fewer ED visits
Shorter hospital stays
47% lower health care costs

Mooney, et al. J Clin Oncol 39:2586–2593. 2021 ASCO

Why better support Family Caregivers?

- The positive outcomes of H@H relies on family caregivers' (FCG) active involvement.
- Lack formal CG training, ↑stress and risks for patients and FCGs.
- Testing best practices in supporting FCGs of patients receiving care is essential.
- No standardized approach to assessing FCG needs and offering support.
- Data can improve QOL, QOC, inform policies, e.g., CMS waiver for reimbursement



Project Overview



Goal: Develop new Family Centered Model of Care for H@H programs

Methods:

- Conduct FCG needs assessment (CSNAT)
- Develop tailored FCG plans
- Refer FCG to support resources
- Collect data x 3 months, revise

Outcomes:

- HC utilization- patient and FCG
- FCG feedback ratings
- Uptake of FCG support resources

Next steps: Implement and sustain FCG assessment into H@H; extend to rural sites

An aerial photograph of a university campus. In the foreground, a large green lawn is flanked by two long, light-colored buildings. The lawn is lined with trees showing vibrant autumn foliage in shades of yellow and orange. A road with a crosswalk runs across the bottom of the frame. In the background, a dense cluster of university buildings is visible, followed by a range of rugged, brown mountains under a clear sky.

Questions & Discussion