Lean Transformation

Better, Faster and More Affordable

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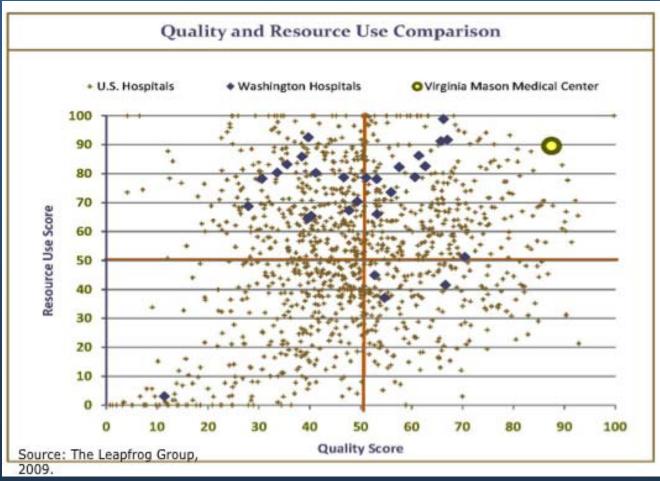
Virginia Mason Medical Center A Study in Transformation

- 1. Seattle-based integrated system
- 2. 450 employed physicians
- 3. 800,000 outpatient visits; 17,000 hospital visits
- 4. Graduate medical education
- 5. Research Center



Virginia Mason Medical Center

Hospital of Decade: Efficiency and Effectiveness

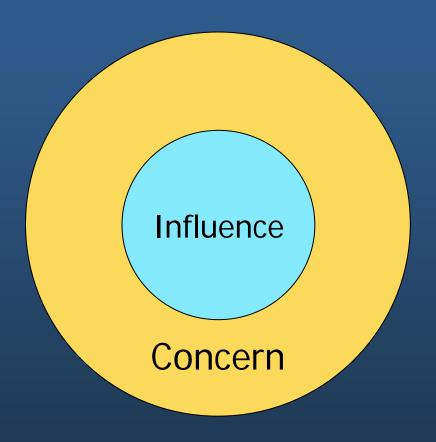




The First Board Meeting



Two Circles and a Choice





Circle of Concern For Our Organization

- 1. Recession and job losses
- 2. Reduced funding of health care benefits
- 3. Downward pressure on Medicare payment
- 4. Dysfunctional national politics
- 5. Fragmented health care delivery system
- 6. Aging, overweight population
- 7. Regulatory uncertainty



Circle of Influence for VM Remove Waste From Health Care Delivery

- 1. Produce appropriate, quality health care
- 2. Eliminate needless variation
- 3. Eliminate waits and delays
- 4. Reduce cost of producing health care



A Decade of Change The Inside Story

- 1. Organizational Compact to ensure accountability
- 2. Strategic plan to define ourselves and our decision rules
- 3. Reliable systems to reduce variation in care
- 4. Marketplace Collaboratives to redesign care with customers



1. Physician Compact Mutual Accountability

VIRGINIA MASON MEDICAL CENTER PHYSICIAN COMPACT

Organization's Responsibilities

Foster Excellence

- Recruit and retain superior physicians and staff
- Support career development and professional satisfaction
- Acknowledge contributions to patient care and the organization
- Create opportunities to participate in or support research

Listen and Communicate

- Share information regarding strategic intent, organizational priorities and business decisions
- Offer opportunities for constructive dialogue
- Provide regular, written evaluation and feedback

Educate

- Support and facilitate teaching, GME and CME
- Provide information and tools necessary to improve practice

Reward

- Provide clear compensation with internal and market consistency, aligned with organizational goals
- Create an environment that supports teams and individuals

Lead

Manage and lead organization with integrity and accountability



Physician's Responsibilities

Focus on Patients

- Practice state of the art, quality medicine
- Encourage patient involvement in care and treatment decisions
- Achieve and maintain optimal patient access
- Insist on seamless service

Collaborate on Care Delivery

- Include staff, physicians, and management on team
- Treat all members with respect
- Demonstrate the highest levels of ethical and professional conduct
- Behave in a manner consistent with group goals
- Participate in or support teaching

Listen and Communicate

- Communicate clinical information in clear, timely manner
- Request information, resources needed to provide care consistent with VM goals
- Provide and accept feedback

Take Ownership

- Implement VM-accepted clinical standards of care
- Participate in and support group decisions
- Focus on the economic aspects of our practice

Change

- Embrace innovation and continuous improvement
- Participate in necessary organizational change

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2. Strategic Plan

Who we are. What we do.

Patient

Vision
To be the Quality Leader
and transform health care

Mission
To improve the health and
well-being of the patients we serve

Values

Teamwork | Integrity | Excellence | Service

Strategies

People



We attract and develop the best team Quality



We relentlessly pursue the highest quality outcomes of care Service



We create an extraordinary patient experience Innovation



We foster a culture of learning and innovation

Virginia Mason Team MedicinesM Foundational Elements

Strong Economics Responsible Governance

Integrated Information Systems Education

Research

Virginia Mason Foundation

Virginia Mason Production System



3. The Path Toward a Management System that Works





New Attitudes and New Tools



VM Board Member at Hitachi



The Sensei and The Waiting Room



Reliable Systems Eliminating Wasted Time and Content



Standardize processes



Cost of variation

Build in pace

Only what is needed when and where needed

Cost of absences



LESS WASTE LOWER COST



BETTER - FASTER - MORE AFFORDABLE

Build in quality

Evidence-based, patient centered care

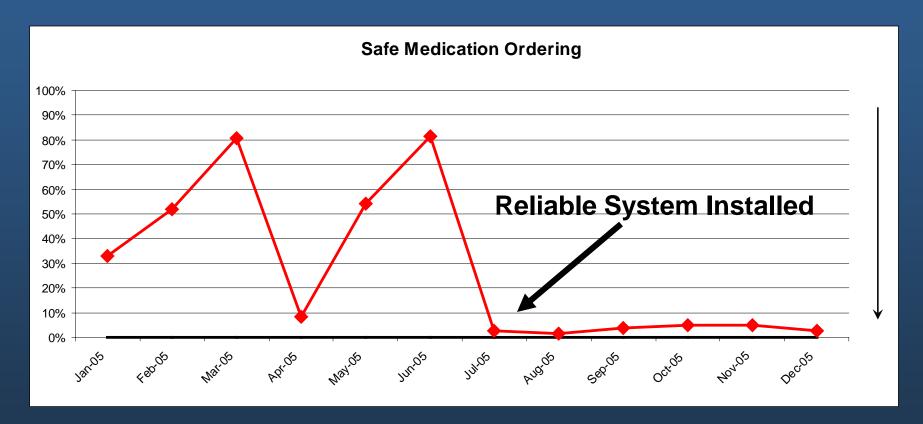


Cost of care



Reliable Systems

"Best Doctors" Not Sufficient



Percent Defects in Med Orders at VMH

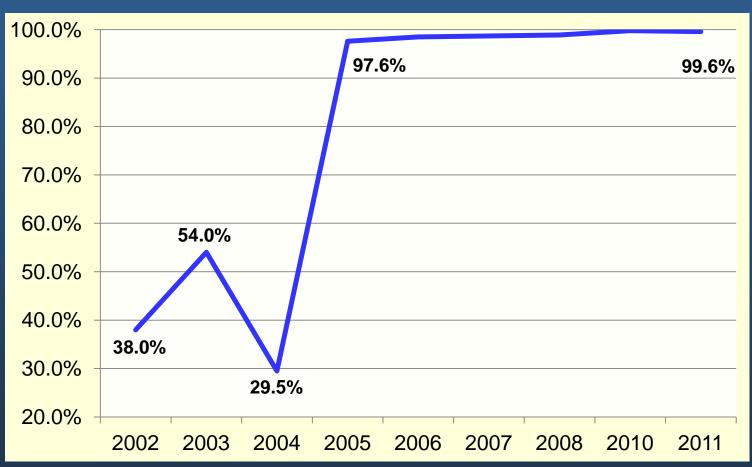


The Medical Assistant's Question



Reliable Systems

Influenza Immunization Rates at VM





A Decade of Change at VM The Outside Story

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The Customer



Affordability: Three Challenges

1. Failed process for delivering quality

3. Failed process for purchasing quality 2. Failed process for paying for quality

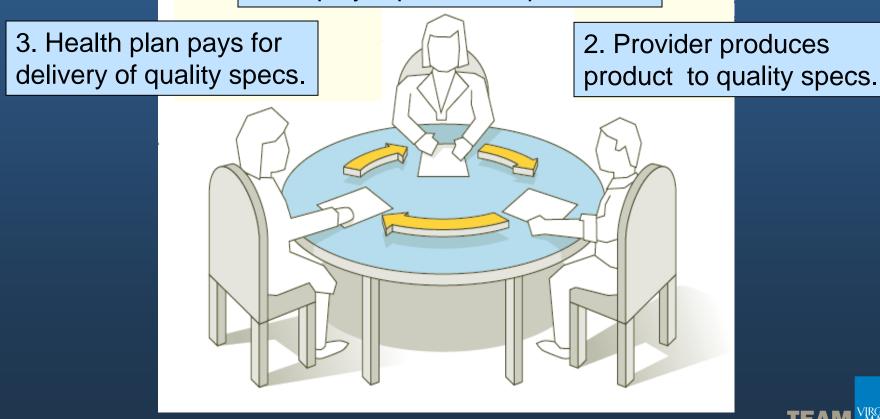
Affordability requires correcting all three.



A Marketplace Collaborative

1. Employer uses purchasing power to define products and quality specifications.

4. Employer purchases product.





Customer Defines Products Doing the Right Thing: High Cost Conditions

- 1. Screening and prevention
- 2. Back pain
- 3. Shoulder, knee and hip pain
- 4. Headache
- 5. Respiratory symptoms
- 6. Breast symptoms
- 7. Depression/anxiety
- 8. Diabetes
- 9. Abdominal pain
- 10. Chest pain

High volume, low per-capita cost conditions



Customer Defines Quality Specs Doing Things Right

Better

- 1. Evidence-based care: what works
- 2. 100% patient satisfaction

Faster

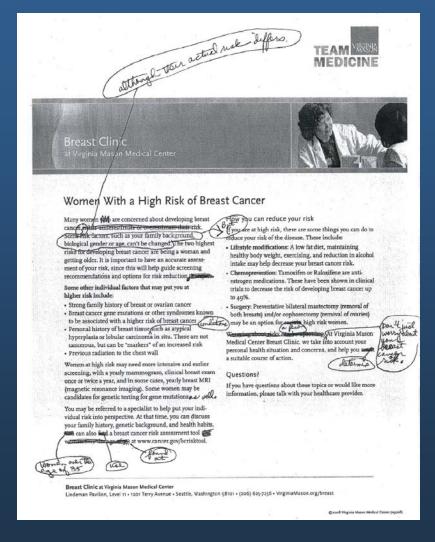
- 3. Same-day access
- 4. Rapid return to function

More Affordable

5. Affordable price for employer and provider



Customer on Design Team





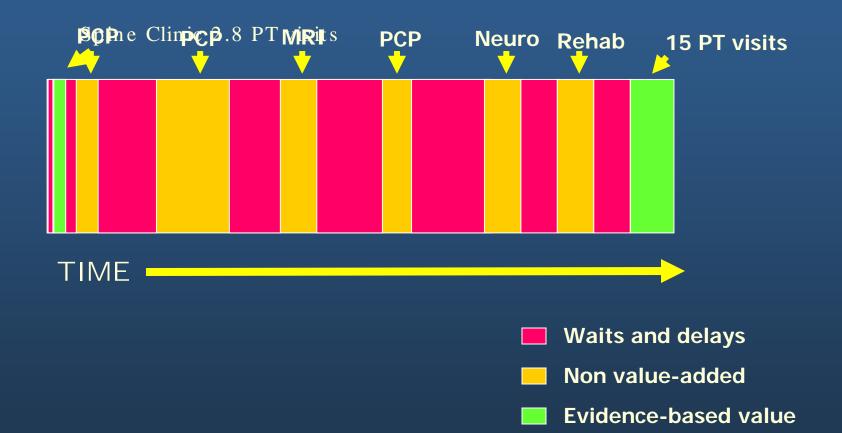
Redesigning Health Care Tools to Create Reliable Systems

- 1. Value-stream mapping
 Care from the customer's perspective
- 2. Evidence-based medicine Care that works
- 3. Skill-task alignment
 The right provider for the clinical task
- 4. Lead time reduction
 No waits or delays



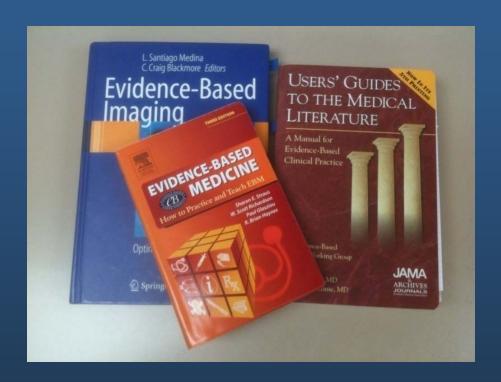
1. Value Stream Map of Back Pain

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2. Evidence-Based Medicine Just What Works



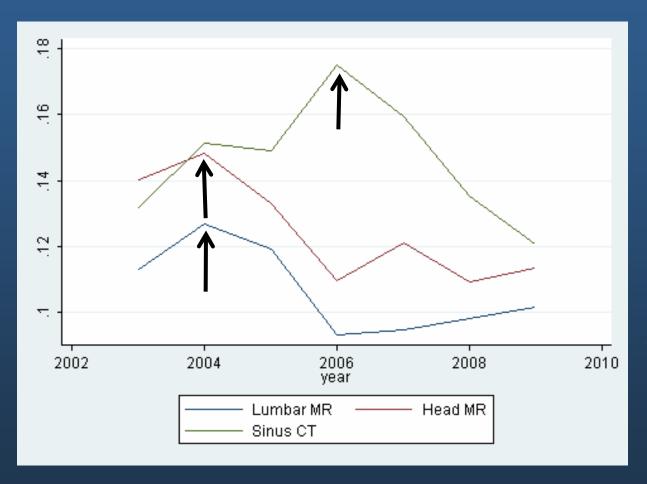
Doing just what works can reduce health care costs by 30%.



Building Quality Into the System Mistake-Proofing

MRI Back Exam	1			
Exam Requested*	☐ mr cspine	□ mr tspine	□ mr Ispine	
	☐ mr cspine w/ w/o contrast	☐ mr tspine w/ w/o contrast	□ mr Ispine w/ w/o contrast	
Current Weight*	● lbs ○ kg Max Table Weight 200 kg/441 lbs			
ICD9 Code(s)				
Indications (select all that apply):*	 Motor deficit (781.99) Unremitting pain despite 6 weeks of appropriate therapy (appropriate therapy is defined as 2 weeks of NSAIDs AND advice to stay active AND documentation of lack of improvement) Document in relevant history field and apply appropriate ICD 9 code Strong suspicion of systemic disease Document in relevant history field and apply appropriate ICD 9 code Neurogenic Claudication(435.9) Cauda Equina(344.60) Upper motor neuron findings: use myelopathy codes Unspecified Region (722.70) Cervical (722.71) Thoracic (722.72) Lumbar (722.73) Significant trauma or fall Document in relevant history field and apply appropriate ICD 9 code Consult has been performed by physical medicine. NOTE: A spine MRI will likely not be helpful for the patient with back or neck pain if none of these indications are present. The Spine Clinic physician on call will provide help by phone and offer a same day visit to assist in care of the patient. Text page (spine clinic page number) on V-Net and enter the following message: "Dr wishes to speak with you about a patient with neck/back pain in whom an MRI is not indicated. Please call (pager number of ordering provider). 			

A Reliable System Bringing Out Best Individual Performance



Mistake-proofing Implemented ↑

Reduction in imaging

Headache: -23%

Low back pain: -23%

Sinusitis: -27%





3. Skill-Task Alignment Right Provider for the Task

- 1. 65% of cost of production at VM is labor
- 2. Labor cost and skill/task alignment
 - a. Proceduralist MD \$4/minute
 - b. Non-proceduralist MD \$2/minute
 - c. Nurse practitioner \$1/minute



4. Lead Time Reduction The Cost of Waits and Delays

Example: VM as an employer

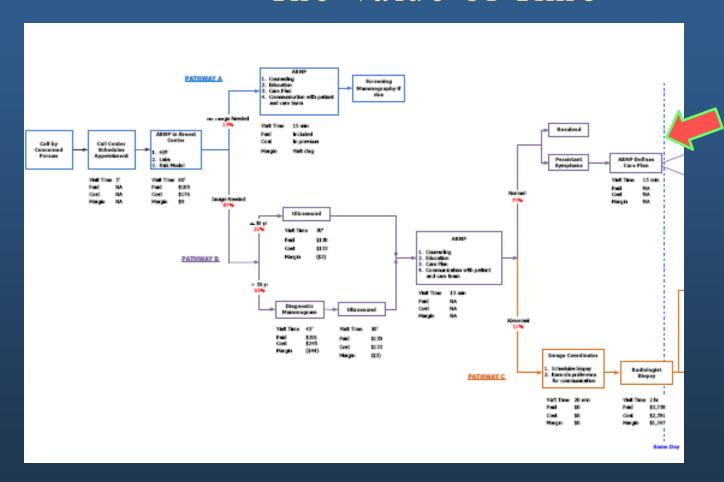
15% of FTEs are nurses

Daily replacement cost of a nurse \$400

Cost of 3-day wait for appointment \$1200



Breast Clinic The Value of Time

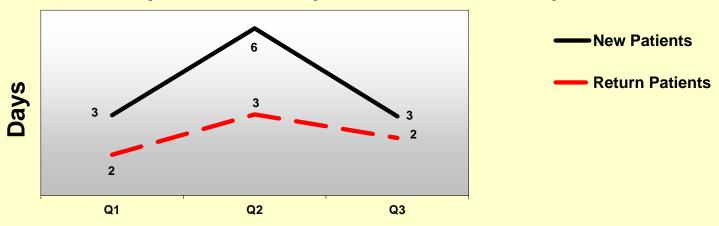


Evaluation complete in hours for 90% of patients.



Headache Clinic The Value of Time

Self-reported loss of productive time: 115 patients



Q1: How many days in the last month did you miss work or school because of your headaches?

Q2: How many days in the last month was your productivity at work or school reduced by half or more because of your headaches?

Q3: How many days in the last month did you miss family, social, or leisure activities because of your headaches?



A Cost Reduction Model

- 1. Patients
 - a. 50% less work loss
 - b. Better functional improvement
 - c. Satisfaction: would you recommend? 4.9/5.0
- 2. Employers and other purchasers
 - a. 23% less imaging
 - b. 50% less Physical Therapy
 - c. 50% less absenteeism
- 3. Health plans: savings for clients

Spine Clinic



A More Complex Challenge "Boeing Project"

A challenge to VM and two other provider groups:

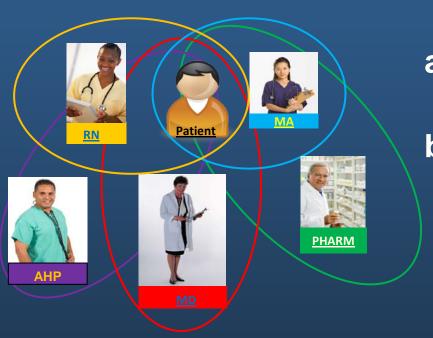
- 1. Improve health status of most costly patients
- 2. Decrease per capita spend for costly patients by 15%



Low volume, high per capita cost patients



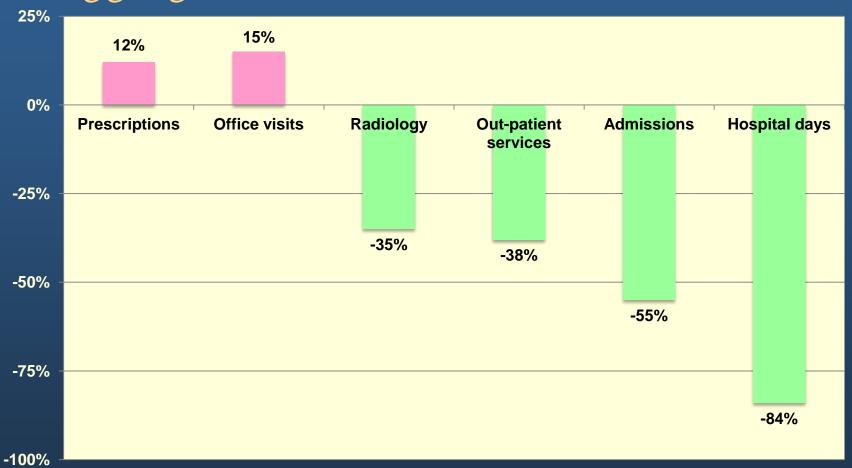
A Multidisciplinary Team Intensive Primary Care



- a. Providers: team with skill/task alignment
- b. Process: evidence-based, immediate, individualized, anticipatory, coordinated care



Change in Direct Costs Aggregate Direct Costs Decreased 33%





Improved Productivity Reduced Work Loss

Abs ente e is m

↓ 57%

Physical and mental function

1 15%



The Last Board Meeting



The Business Case for Quality Spine Clinic

	Efficient Spine Clinic
1. Lower cost	
FTE	↓29%
Area, ft ²	↓78%
2. Greater revenue	
RVU/MD/day	176%
New patients /yr	164%
3. Greater margin/year Estimated from VM BSR & direct costs	156%



The Business Case for Quality VMMC Net Margin



The Business Case for Quality VM Professional Liability Premiums

Hospital Professional Liability Premiums





Scalability and Transportability Intel's Healthcare Marketplace Collaborative





Quality...

is not what the supplier puts in. It is what the customer gets out.

-Peter Drucker

