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Updated Project Abstract

The University of Southern California Geriatrics Healthcare Collective (USC GHC), will work to achieve the following 3 goals, aligned with the Age-Friendly Health System initiative. Goal 1: We will expand access to quality interprofessional geriatric healthcare for older adults by providing education, training, clinical, and technical support to our 3 clinical sites. Seven patient outcome MIPS/UDS measures will be collected: dementia caregiver education and support, risk of opioid misuse, advanced care planning, use of high-risk medications, colorectal cancer screening, blood pressure and diabetes control. We will increase the interprofessional geriatric workforce by training students from 7 healthcare professional programs and ensuring ongoing training at clinical sites to foster workforce sustainability. Goal 2: Integration of Age Friendly principles of care in all clinical sites will foster more effective and efficient care for older adults. We will work towards obtaining and maintaining Level 2 Certification in all sites by addressing efficient data entry and extraction from the EHR and ongoing training of clinical staff and providers. Goal 3: We will increase primary care providers' recognition and clinical management of cognitive impairment in the older adult population. USC GHC and Alzheimer's LA, will provide education and training to providers and staff at our 3 clinical sites that are culturally and linguistically tailored to the populations they each serve. Goal 4: We will expand the knowledge and skill of patients, family caregivers and direct care workers seen in clinical sites and residents, staff and caregivers at senior housing facilities so they are able to advocate for improved health outcomes for themselves and older adults they care for. All efforts will be implemented with a goals towards post-grant sustainability through strategic efforts to engage internal systems resources and alignment of goals.