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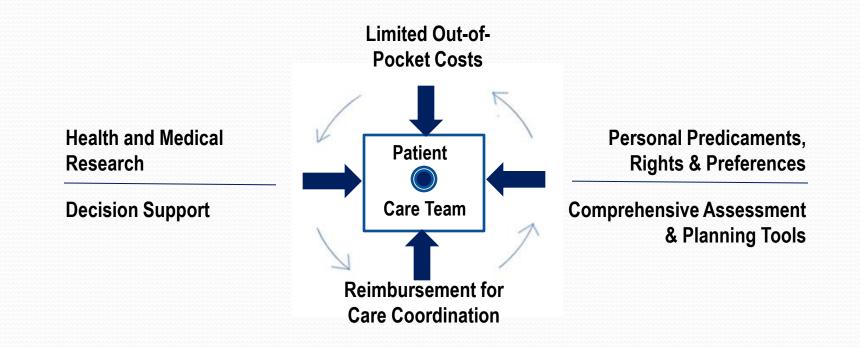
Founded in 1920, the National Health Council is the only organization of its kind.

- Mission: To provide a united voice for the more than 133 million people with chronic diseases and disabilities and their family caregivers.
- Vision: We envision a world in which all people receive health care that meets their personal needs and goals.
- The NHC brings together all segments of the health care community.



Health Care Delivery System Reform

Getting the right care at the right time to the right patient for the right price – Institute of Medicine





Patients and CER

Evidence that Consumers are Skeptical About Evidence-Based Health Care *Health Affairs,* July 2010

If consumers are more involved, the results can be

- improved adherence to treatment
- increased use of screening
- increased patient satisfaction
- better health outcomes, and
- lower health care costs



Patients and CER

- Research results that are credible, objective, and trustworthy
- Research results that take into account individual life circumstances
- Research that is guided by principles of evidencebased medicine



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- Separate CER from coverage decisions
- Make quality care the first priority of CER
- Avoid adverse consequences related to restrictions on access, quality, or safety
- Urge widespread dissemination and use of CER results





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