Medical Director's Corner

Transition of Care Across Settings in Health Care

Care coordination and continuity of care across settings in a safe and timely fashion is increasingly important in a society where patients are more mobile than ever before. This is especially true for older patients and those with multiple chronic conditions or complex treatment regimens. Inadequate transitional care plans are linked to increased adverse events, higher readmission rates and overall lower patient satisfaction with care.

At CareSource, the importance of a good transitional care plan is well understood and we have developed resources to assist our providers. At discharge, our members move to a transitional case management queue so that our transitions team can help your patients navigate the important 30-day post discharge period. For transitions between providers, CareSource has developed a referral checklist for both Primary Care Providers (PCP) and Specialists to use when transitioning care across settings. These forms may be accessed online at **CareSource.com** > Tools & Resources > Forms.

Safe care transitions in a timely manner are essential for providing uninterrupted high-quality patient care while reducing adverse events. CareSource appreciates your partnership with us in making sure that your patients receive the highest quality of care.

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