

North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration Announces Accelerated Recognition

ACOs, Primary Care, and Dermatologic CIN Work Together to Improve Care and Lower Costs



Cary, Jul 15, 2020 (Issuewire.com) - North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration (NCIDC) today announced accelerated recognition of its physician-owned and managed clinically integrated network (CIN). Established to help independent dermatology physicians work together as an integrated network to be an integral part of health care transformation to value based care. NCIDC will help members make a greater contribution to value-based organizations that have contracts with government and commercial payers.

NCIDC is physician-owned and managed by 24 independent dermatologic providers. The CIN was designed to encourage a team-based approach to care access and delivery, allowing greater sharing of patient data and new access model practices, and adherence to requirements by our partners for sharing responsibility, lowering costs, and elevating care. By meeting specific value-based requirements, practices will have the opportunity to become high value specialists and co-managers through the CIN.

"North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration provides an alternative for physicians who wish to remain independent rather than become employed," said Parker Eales, Administrator of the NCIDC. "This clinically integrated network will provide support to value-based care—high-quality care at an acceptable cost. NCIDC will offer care coordination and new dermatologic access models that independent practices simply cannot perform by themselves."

NCIDC will empower independent dermatology physician practices to deliver more integrated care, an enhanced patient experience, and a lower overall cost of care through a broad range of integrated initiatives delivered by the NCIDC as a group. These integrated resources include triage driven access to dermatology care, clinical protocols to reduce variation in physician practice patterns and data analytics, technology, access transformation and referral loop closure with advanced technology.

"Today's value-based care environment has created a host of challenges for practices," said Parker Eales. "Being in partnership with value-based healthcare delivery demands a whole new set of responsibilities beyond routine patient care. The mission of North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration is to help practices in their core mission of caring for patients while giving them the support, network, and tools they need to be high value specialists for value-based organizations such as ACOs."

"The formation of North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration has accelerated the realization of the contribution a dermatology collaboration can make to value-based care in the Triangle area of North Carolina," said Parker Eales, Administrator for the NCID. "This is where healthcare is headed, and we are committed to advancing it within our region, especially for independent dermatology physicians who need access to ever more narrow networks of patients, but do not want to lose their identity and autonomy. Our goal is to grow this clinically integrated network only as demand requires and only with the addition of other like-minded providers who understand the tremendous advantages to their practice of what we are doing and why."

About North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration

North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration is North Carolina's only independent dermatologic clinically integrated network that enables Dermatology practices to collaborate on better and more coordinated patient care while managing costs—key requirements of any value-based relationship. The network implements an active and ongoing program—a comprehensive set of resources that physicians can utilize while fostering a high degree of interdependence and cooperation among participating providers. North Carolina Independent Dermatology Collaboration brings together established independent physicians and facilitates network participation, value-based care support and innovative access models, and assists ACO risk pool enhancement. Learn more at <https://ncdermcollaboration.com>

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