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Louisiana Federally Qualified Health Center Accountable Care Network Delivers Just Under \$6M in Savings for Medicare Beneficiaries

*New Medicare data shows Louisiana Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) 2019 clinical
performance improves the lives of 10,000 elderly in Louisiana*

Baton Rouge, LA – The Louisiana Primary Care Accountable Care Organization, LLC (LPCACO) is pleased to report a savings in cost of care of just under \$6M for 11,000 Medicare beneficiaries. **The 2019 savings represents a 96% increase in total savings over 2018 and \$578 savings per beneficiary.**

LPCACO participating health centers improved the delivery of preventive care by increasing primary care services by 8%; decreasing hospital readmissions by 19%; decreasing unnecessary emergency room visits by 13%; and decreasing inpatient hospitalization by 8%.

"Once again, Louisiana FQHCs have proven that their coordinated efforts support a system that not only saves money for the health care system but also improves the quality of care and outcomes for the patients we serve", said Roderick Campbell, Board Chairperson, LPCACO, LLC and CEO, Iberia Comprehensive Community Health Center

"More primary care leads to better care at lower costs, and LPCACO and Aledade's work together has proven that," said Farzad Mostashari, CEO and co-founder of Aledade. "We're thrilled to support physicians in Louisiana with analytics, software, and field staff to help them deliver better care to their patients, and thereby save taxpayers millions. Value-based care is good for patients, good for doctors, and good for Louisiana."

LPCACO is a network of twenty eight Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) formed in 2017 to combine collective resources and leverage the deep knowledge base of leading primary care provider organizations throughout Louisiana for the purpose of improving health outcomes and reducing healthcare costs for the more than 461,000 patients served annually.

"Our Louisiana Community Health Center members continue to demonstrate incredible leadership and innovation as they serve our state's most vulnerable communities," said Gerrelda Davis, LPCACO Executive

Director. “We couldn’t be more proud of these savings and efficiencies – while at the same time ensuring patients receive the highest quality of care. This is truly a win-win for all partners and patients involved in this collaboration!”

As defined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, “Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) are groups of doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers, who come together voluntarily to give coordinated high-quality care to the Medicare patients they serve. Coordinated care helps ensure that patients, especially the chronically ill, get the right care at the right time, with the goal of avoiding unnecessary duplication of services and preventing medical errors. When an ACO succeeds in both delivering high-quality care and spending health care dollars more wisely, it will share in the savings it achieves for the Medicare program.”

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