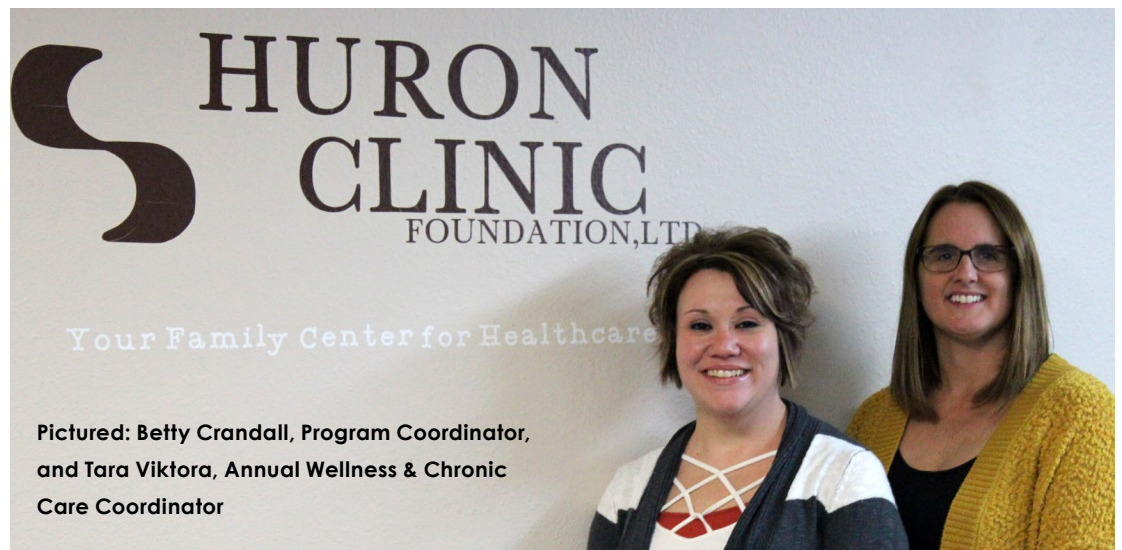


Huron Clinic Provides Chronic Care Coordination Through 1815 Year 2-3

Summary

Huron Clinic has been partnering with the South Dakota Department of Health Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program (HDSPP) as part of the 1815 CDC cooperative agreement Implementing Interventions to Improve the Health of South Dakotans through Prevention and Management of Heart Disease, to better address increasing chronic disease rates amongst



Pictured: Betty Crandall, Program Coordinator, and Tara Viktora, Annual Wellness & Chronic Care Coordinator

their population. As part of their efforts, Huron and HDSPP, worked together to implement a new chronic care coordination program in 2020. The Chronic Care Coordinator (CCC) oversees patients with high needs related to multiple chronic conditions, all of which have some form of cardiovascular disease, such as hypertension or high cholesterol, and/or diabetes. The CCC coordinates medical treatment, including 1) administering assessments, 2) developing care plans, 3) monitoring medication compliance, 4) establishing an ongoing relationship with patients, 5) serving as an advocate/champion for patient health, and 6) connecting patients with social and community support systems for continuation of care. All these services have been shown to prevent exasperation of chronic disease and poor health outcomes.

Results

During 1815 Year 2 (July 2019 - June 2020), 30 high needs patients received ongoing chronic care coordination resulting in an additional 85 reimbursement claims for the clinic. Through this program, Huron was also able to complete 184 Medicare Annual Wellness Visits within their facility, where they worked with patients to develop personalized prevention plans.

During 1815 Year 3 (July 2020 - June 2021), 45 individuals received ongoing chronic care coordination, resulting in 180 additional reimbursement claims. Four hundred and one Medicare Annual Wellness Visits were also completed.

Evidence-Based Interventions

Huron Clinic implemented the following evidence-based intervention: Support engagement of non-physician team members in hypertension and cholesterol management in clinical settings.

Next Steps

Through CDC's 1815 cooperative agreement, Huron Clinic will receive continued funding from the HDSPP to assist with supporting their Chronic Care Coordinator in 2021-2022. The clinic plans to expand the program to additional patients during Year 4.

Get Involved

For additional information on this project or to learn more about HDSPP funding opportunities, contact Rachel Sehr, Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Coordinator at Rachel.Sehr@state.sd.us or 605-367-5356.

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