



# BURNOUT WEBINAR SERIES

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# GOALS FOR THE SERIES

Emphasize the importance of addressing burnout within an organization



Examine how different organizations approach burnout



Learn strategies to address burnout

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# JOY IN WORK: PART I WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT EMPLOYEE SATISFACTION AND TURNOVER

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# INTRODUCTION



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# OBJECTIVES

- Define burnout and its impact on providers, practice operations, and the bottom line
- Recognize signs of burnout: contributing vs. protective factors
- Use of the PCMH (Patient Centered Medical Home) framework for joy in work





# BACKGROUND



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## Changes to US Healthcare System

### Goal of:

- Better Care
- Improved Health
- Lower Costs
- Staff satisfaction

## Changes Affecting Clinical Practice

- New payment models
- New delivery approaches
- Electronic Health Records
- Patient Portals
- Publicly reported quality metrics
- Staff Turnover

## Changing Landscape

- How care is provided
- How care is documented
- How care is reimbursed



# WHY MUST WE ADDRESS BURNOUT?

- Providers are leaving healthcare
- It is the “elephant in the room” that is not often discussed but always lurking
- Call out the human aspect of “compassion fatigue” for caregivers
- Bring the “joy” and balance back into our day to day work



## BACKGROUND: EXTENT OF THE BURNOUT EPIDEMIC

- More than half of US physicians and nurses are experiencing substantial symptoms of burnout.<sup>1</sup>
- Compared to US working adults, healthcare clinicians were more likely to have symptoms of burnout (37.8 % vs. 27.8%).<sup>2</sup>
- Compared to US working adults, healthcare clinicians were more likely to be dissatisfied with work life balance (40.2% vs. 23.2%).<sup>2</sup>
- Burnout can have serious personal repercussions for clinicians, including problematic alcohol use, broken relationships, and suicidal ideation.<sup>3</sup>



# WHAT IS BURNOUT?

Burnout is a state of chronic stress that leads to:

- physical and emotional exhaustion
- cynicism and detachment
- feelings of ineffectiveness and lack of accomplishment



# WHAT ARE THE SIGNS, SYMPTOMS OF BURNOUT?

## Physical and emotional exhaustion

- Chronic fatigue
- Insomnia
- Impaired concentration and attention
- Physical symptoms
- Loss of appetite
- Anxiety or depression

## Cynicism and detachment

- Loss of enjoyment
- Pessimism
- Isolation
- Detachment

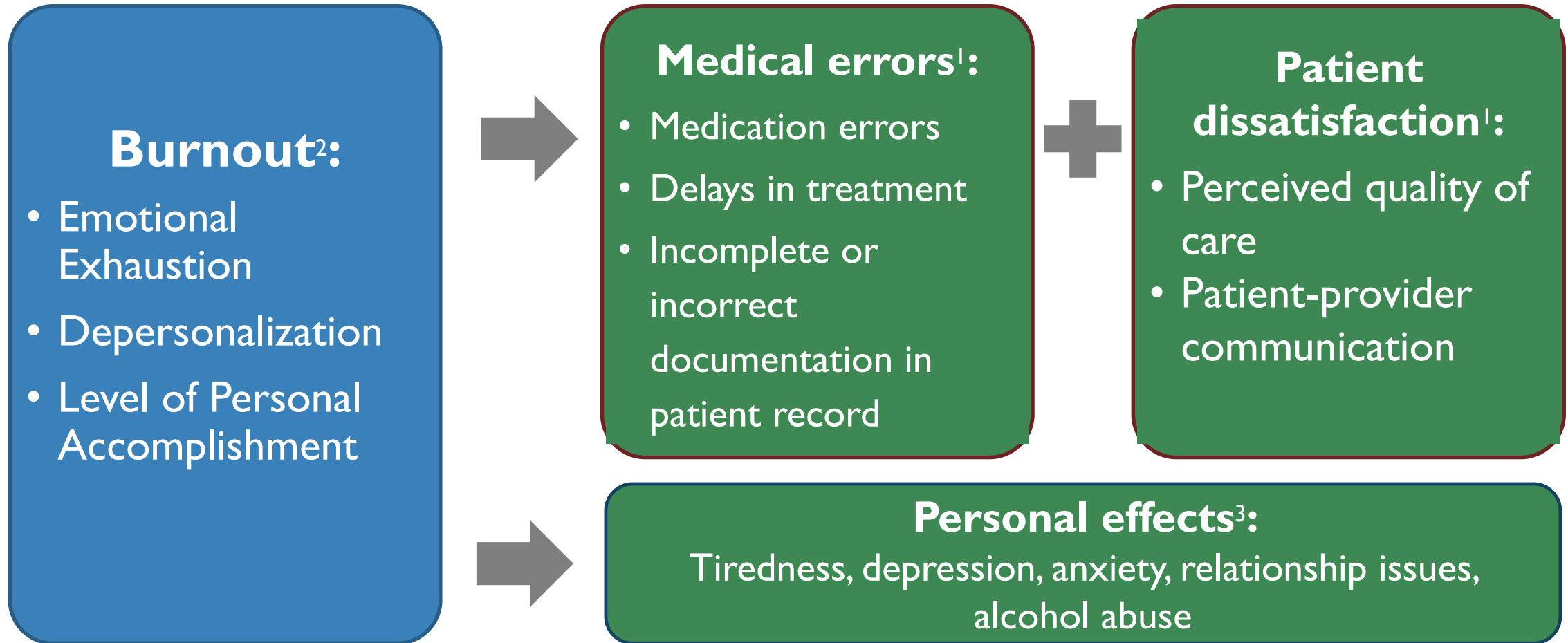
## Ineffectiveness and Lack of Accomplishment

- Feelings of apathy and hopelessness
- Increased irritability
- Lack of productivity and poor performance





# BACKGROUND: BURNOUT AND QUALITY OF CARE



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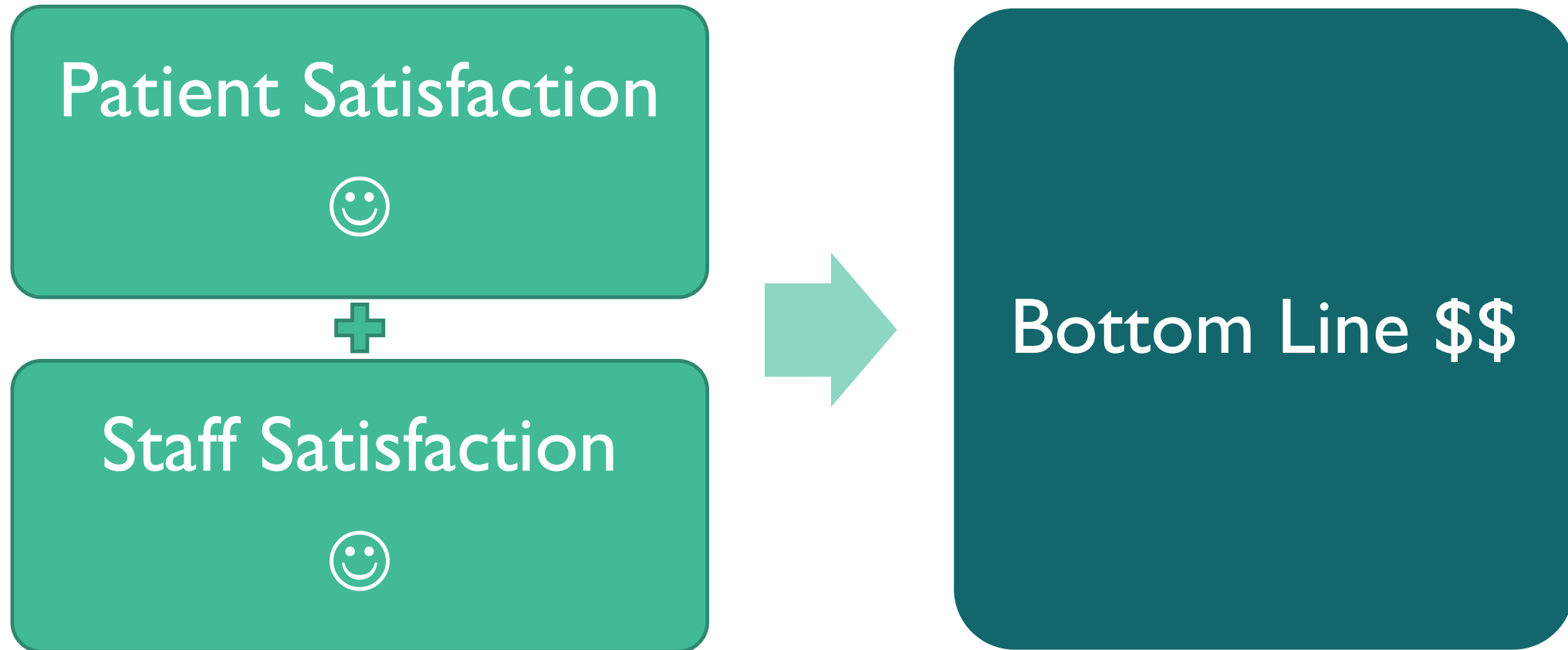


# BACKGROUND: BURNOUT AND QUALITY OF CARE

- Negative feelings by clinicians correlates with a higher prescription rates and with giving little explanation to patients.<sup>1</sup>
- 50% of clinicians concerned lowered standards of care; 40% expressed irritability or anger; 7% expressed concern with serious mistakes.<sup>2</sup>
- Poor quality of care tied to: tiredness (57%) and the pressure of overwork (28%), depression or anxiety (8%), and the effects of alcohol (5%).<sup>2</sup>



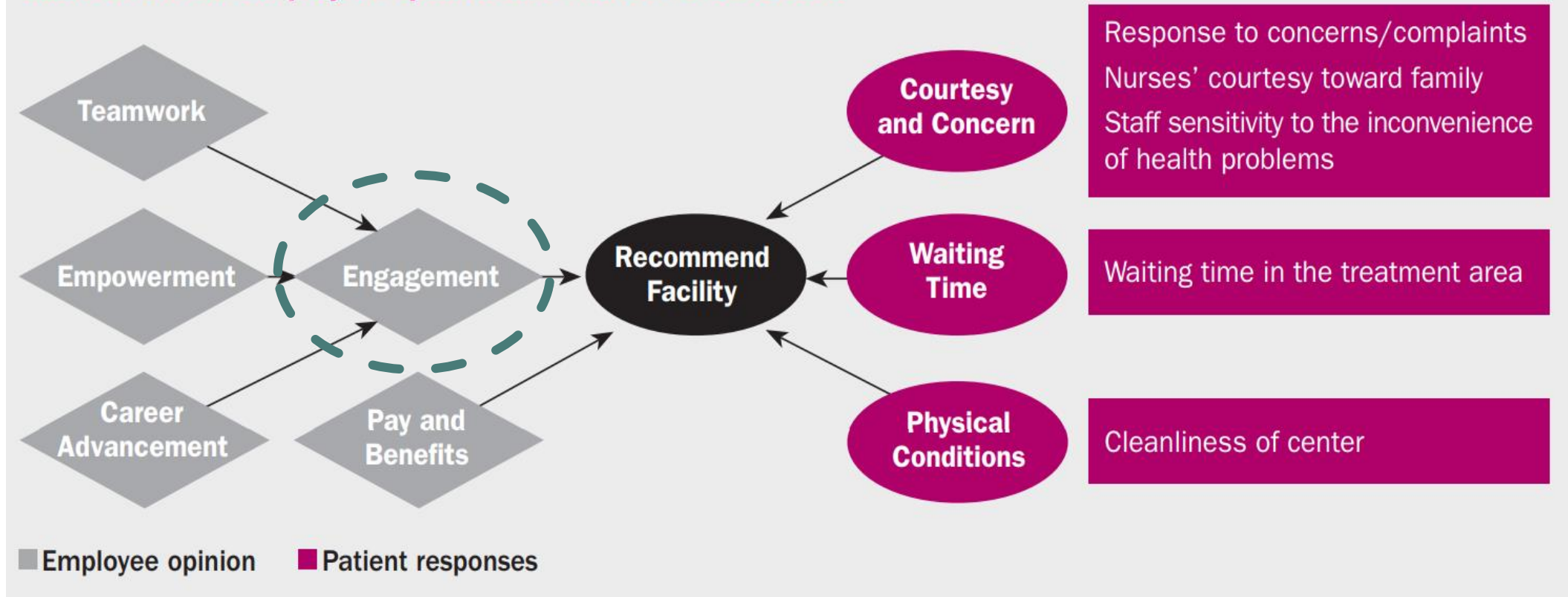
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## Exhibit

### Links Between Employee Opinion and Patient Satisfaction



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# IDENTIFY TECHNIQUES TO ADDRESS BURNOUT: PERSONAL VS. ORGANIZATIONAL

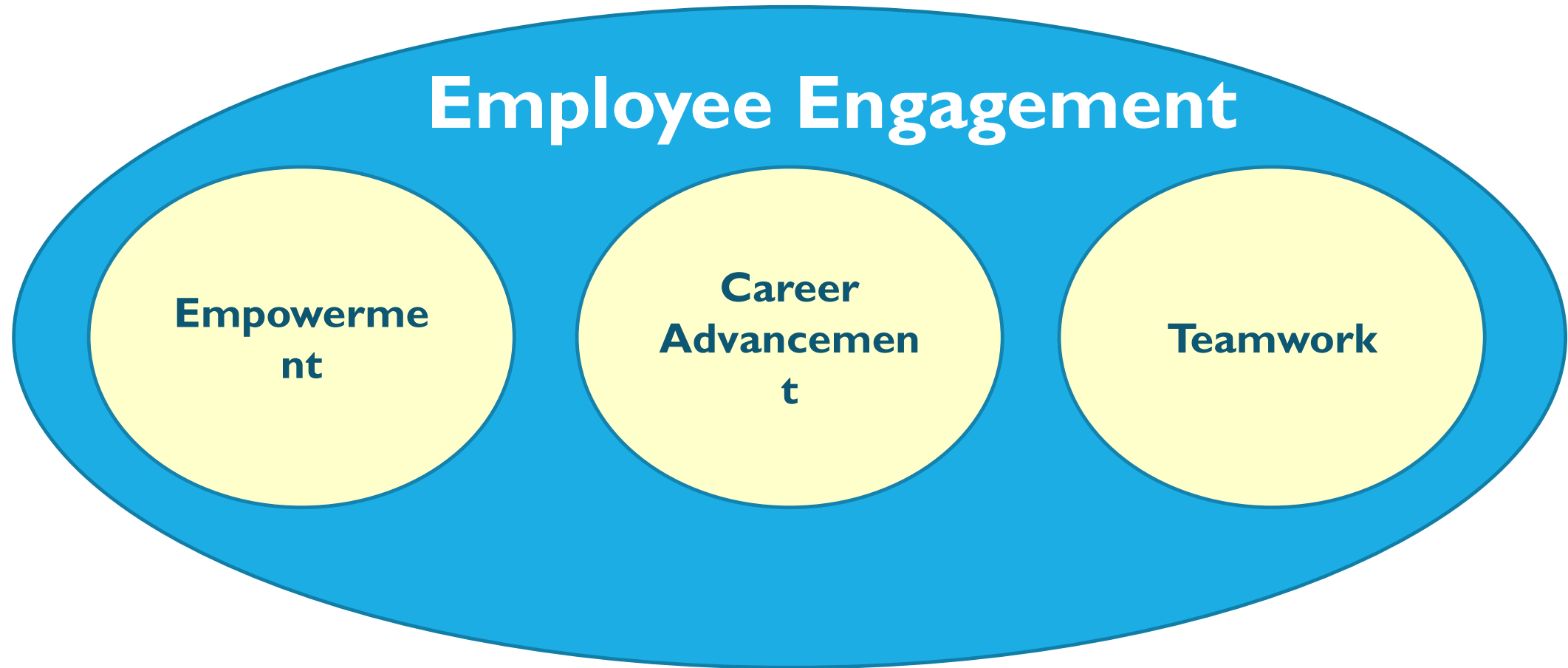


# PROMOTE PERSONAL WELL-BEING

- Practice positive psychology
- Seek joy
- Honor your values
- Do what you love
- Assume best intentions
- Ergonomics evaluation
- Mindfulness
- Avoid cynicism
- Exercise
- Sleep
- Healthy eating



# EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT TO REDUCE BURNOUT



# CONTRIBUTING VS. PROTECTIVE FACTORS TO BURNOUT

## ■ Contributing factors

- Long work hours
- Excessive clinical workloads
- Chaotic work environment
- Discord among staff

## ■ Protective Factors

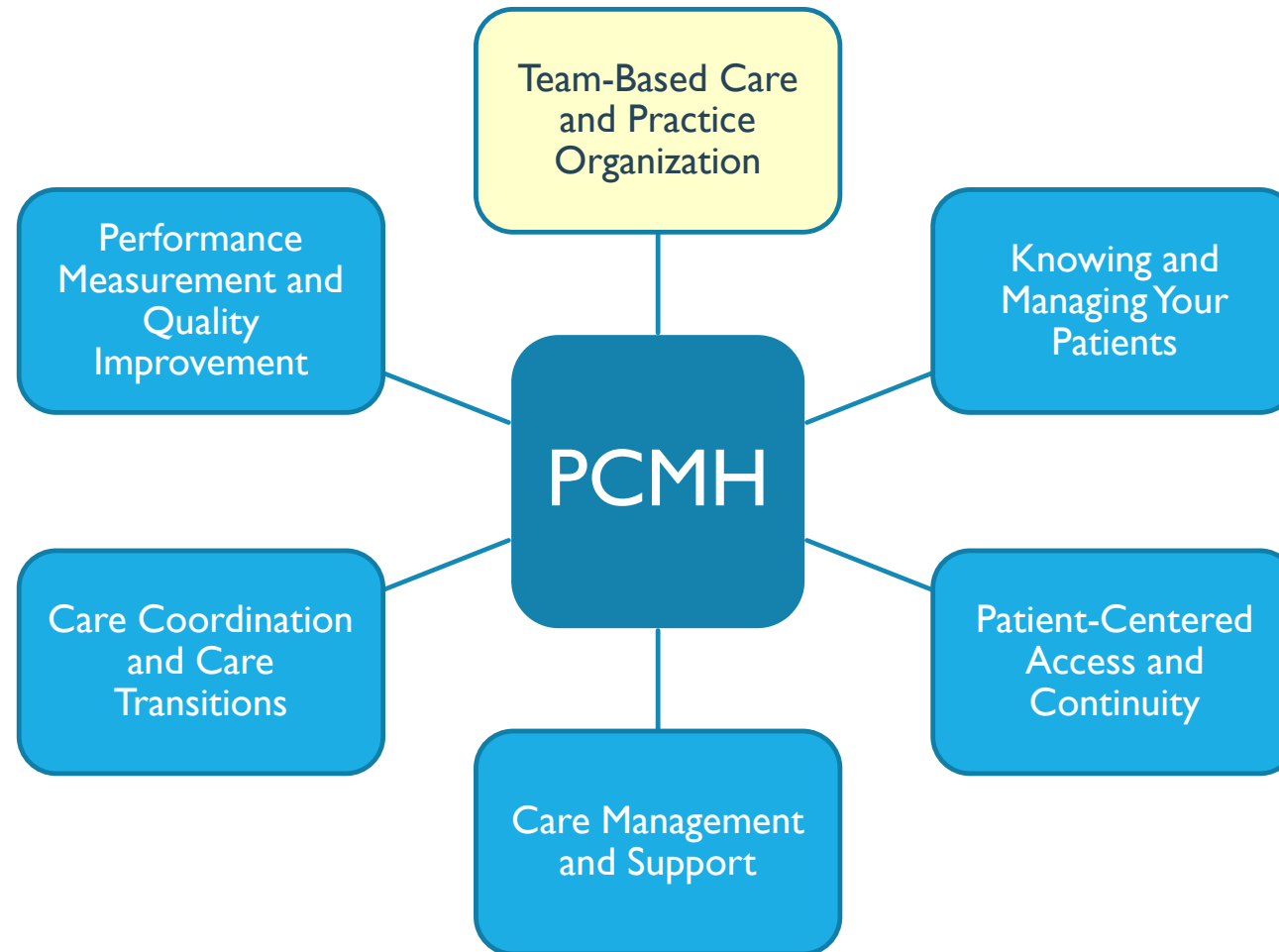
- Emphasis on quality of care and team cohesiveness
- Strong communication
- Adequate staffing levels
- Equitable distribution of work
- Opportunities for skills development
- Control over schedule, environment, autonomy, and organizational decision-making

**Characteristics of a  
Patient Centered  
Medical Home *and* Team-  
based care model**



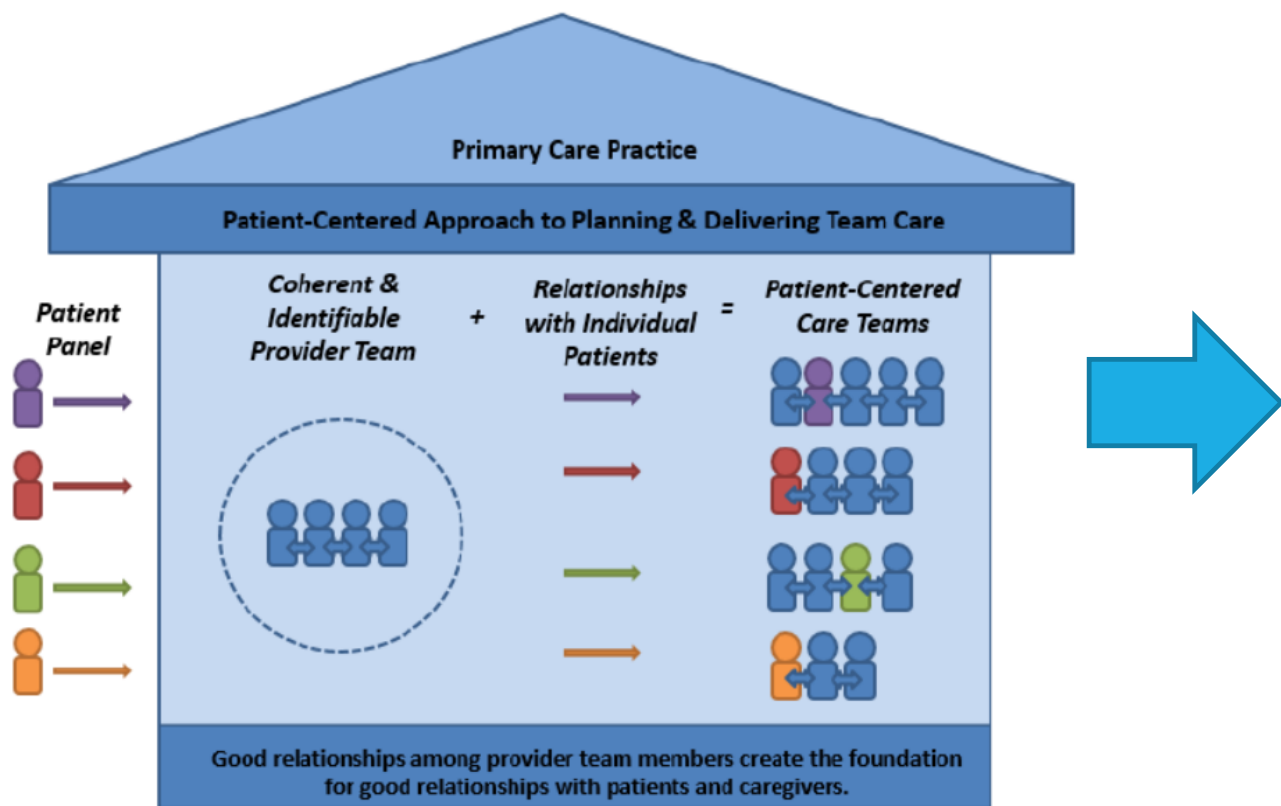


# PATIENT CENTERED MEDICAL HOME MODEL



# TEAM-BASED MODEL OF CARE

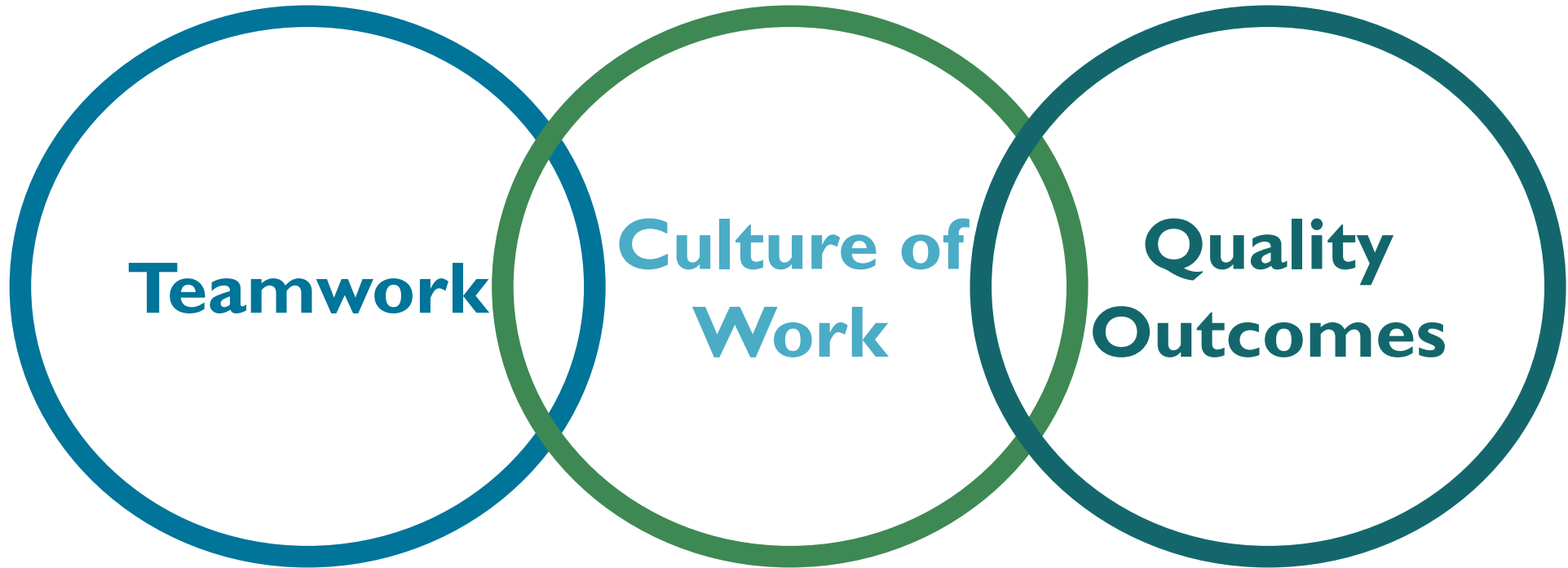
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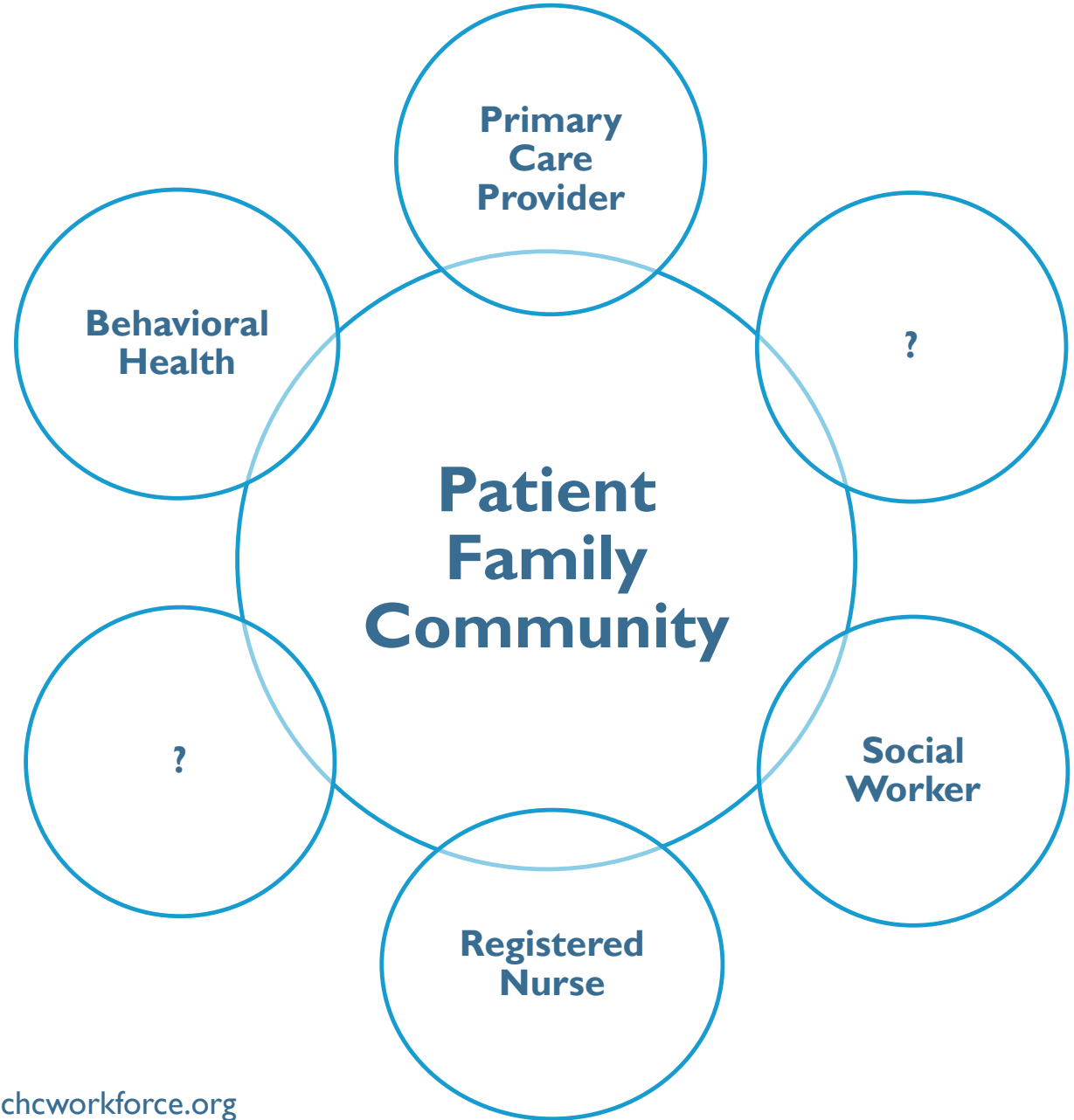


## NCQA Team-based Model of Care

1. Structure & Staff Responsibilities
2. External PCMH Collaborations
3. Patient/Family/Caregiver Involvement in Governance
4. Certified EHR System
5. Individual Patient Care Meetings/Communication
6. Involvement in Quality Improvement
7. Behavioral Health Care Manager
8. Medical Home Information







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# RECOGNIZING HIGH-PERFORMING TEAMS

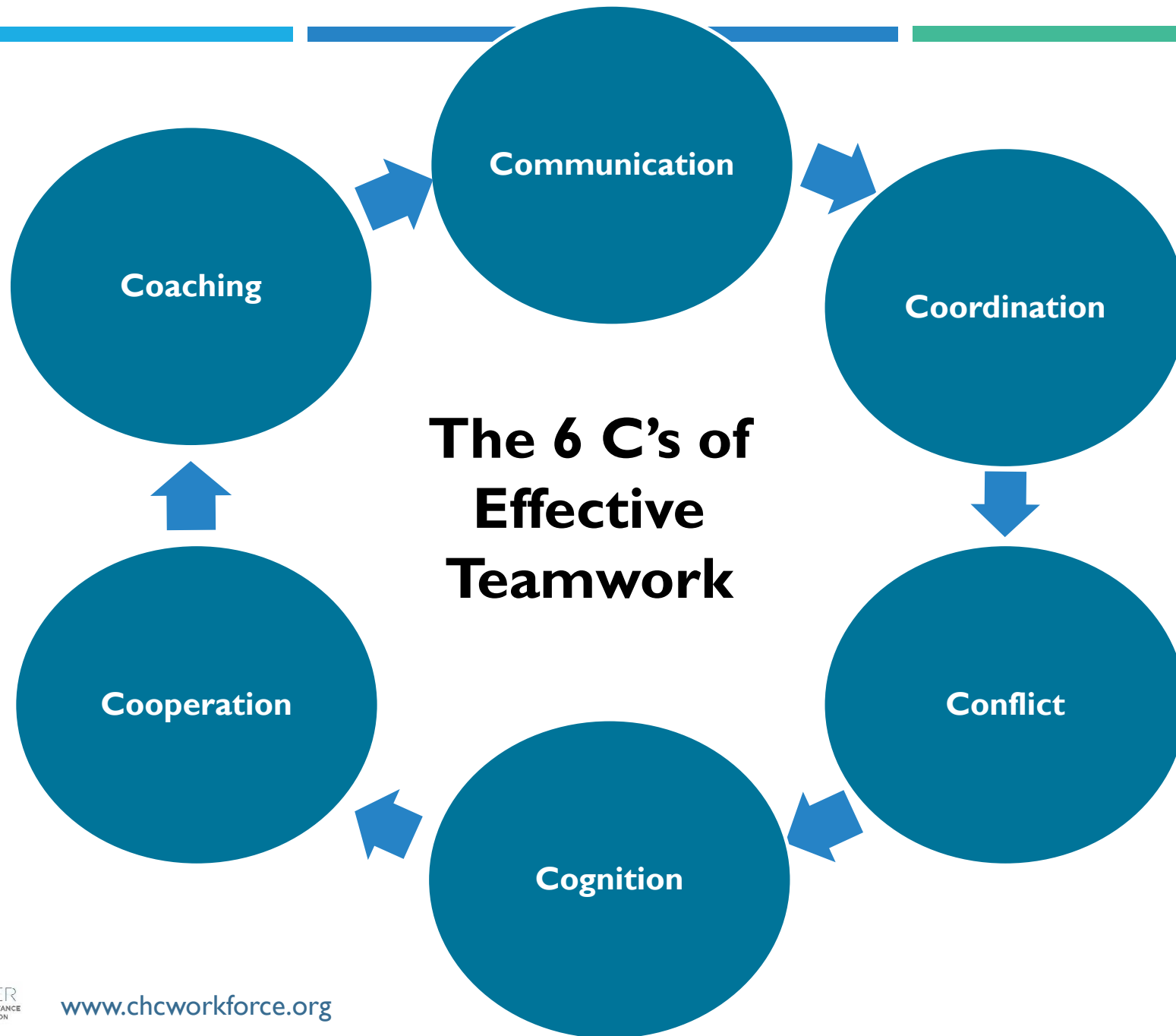


# HIGH-PERFORMING TEAMS

What are characteristics of high-performing teams?

What differentiates teams that meet their goals from those that do not?





# CORE PRINCIPLES FROM THE IOM ROUNDTABLE

- Shared goals
- Clear roles
- Mutual trust
- Effective communication
- Measureable processes and outcomes





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# DEFINING TEAM ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



# ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR EFFECTIVE TEAMWORK

- All roles are understood and respected
- Scope and responsibilities of each role are explicit
- Each team member understands how his/her role fits in the work of the team



# TEAMWORK MATTERS: DON'T WORRY ALONE



- Participants were asked to stand at the base of a hill and estimate how steep the climb would be
- Hill appeared steeper to those alone than those accompanied by a friend
- Relationship quality mediated the effect (more supportive relationships worked better)

# ROLE CLARITY

- Competencies
- Scope of practice
- Licensure
- Values and ethics
- Education / accreditation standards

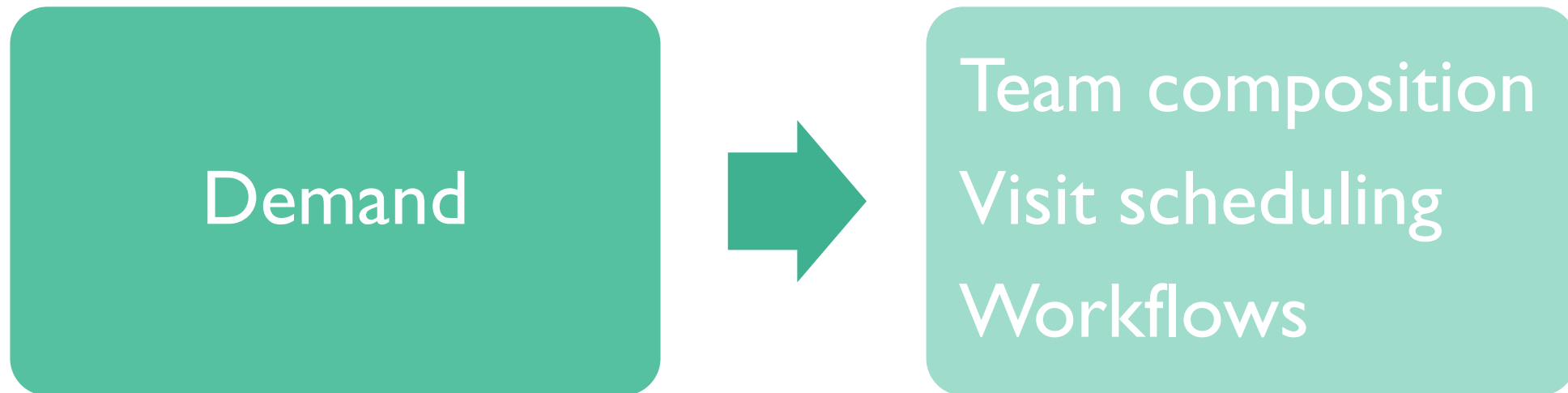


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# OPTIMIZING TEAM ROLES



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# TEAM REDESIGN

- All team members work to their highest level of expertise, skill and licensure
- Team composition driven by:
  - Patient/family/population needs and
  - Characteristics of practice.
- Look for potential for cross-training to maximize flexibility and



# TEAM REDESIGN

## Primary care team members

## Redesign examples

Registered nurse

- Expanded care coordination and education
- Health promotion, chronic illness management

Medical assistant

- Expanded responsibility for procedures
- Workflow oversight

Behavioral health professional

- Co-located, integrated





# OUTCOMES OF ROLE CLARITY AND OPTIMIZATION

## Practice Outcomes

- Realistic expectations of team members
- Efficient workflow
- Improved decision-making
- Team member satisfaction, perception of being valued
- Less conflict

## How to Measure

- Enhanced job description with defined roles.
- Wait times, time spent rooming, etc.
- Use of standing orders
- Satisfaction surveys, assessment



# PRACTICAL STRATEGIES: SHARED MEASURABLE GOALS



- Base goals on shared values and vision
- Use a SMART goals worksheet
- Match goals to your patient population
- Think broadly-engage all stakeholders in the goal setting process
- Use data you already have access to and track regularly (run charts)

## Smart Goals

## Goal #1

## Goal #2

Specific

(What , when, where and how?)

Measurable

(How will I measure it?)

Attainable

(Can I actually achieve this goal? )

Realistic

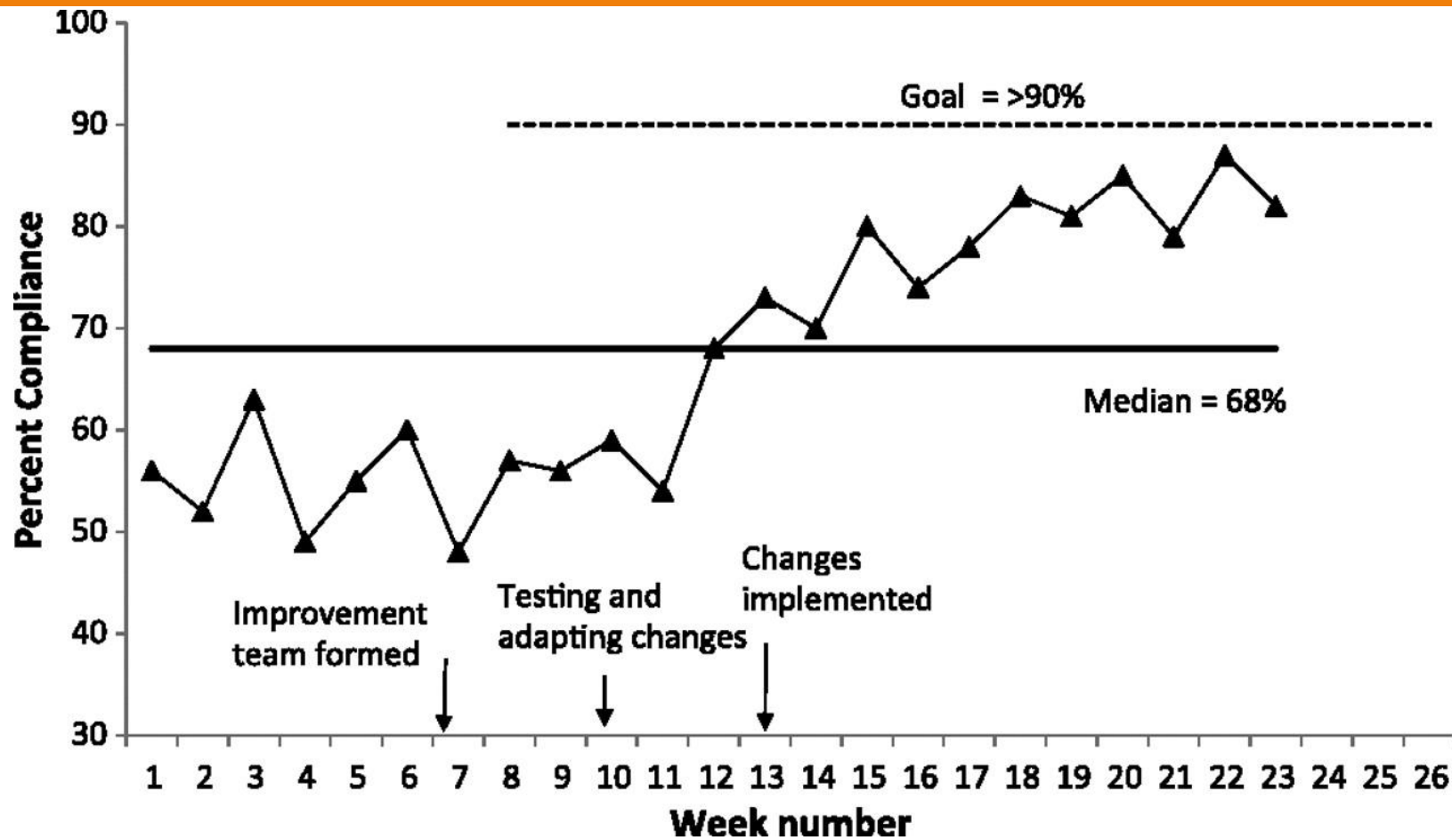
(Is this a realistic goal?)

Timely

(How often or when will goal be met?)



# SAMPLE RUN CHART



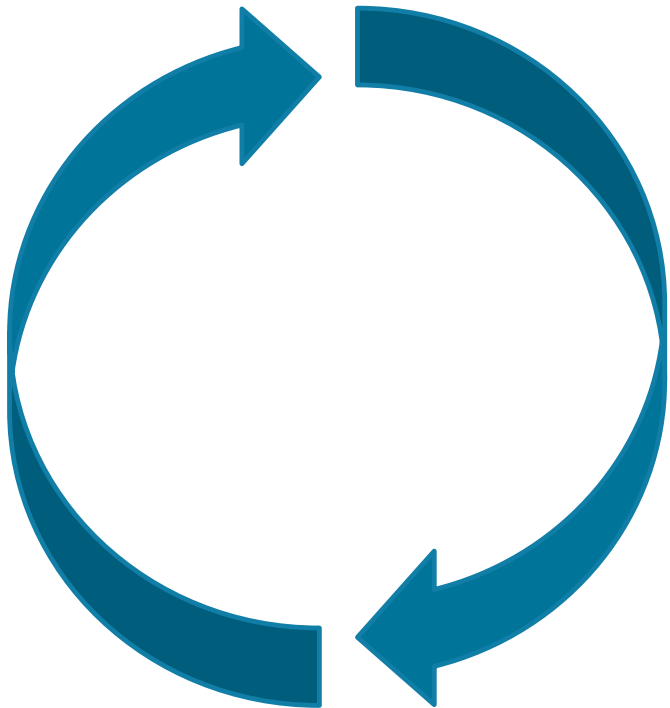
# RECOGNIZING SUCCESS: TEAMS

- Objective: Measuring Interprofessional “Teamness”
- Tool: Assessment for Collaborative Environments (ACE-15)
- Measures:
  - Effective communication
  - Clear roles
  - Shared goals
  - Mutual trust
  - Measureable process and outcomes
  - Organizational support

(15 questions, 5 minutes)



# RECAP & CONCLUSION



1. Burnout in healthcare is increasing at alarming rates, leading to: compromised patient safety; personal repercussions for clinicians and staff; and diminished bottom line for health settings.
2. Physical and emotional exhaustion, cynicism and detachment, and feelings of ineffectiveness and lack of accomplishment are the primary signs of burnout.
3. The Patient Centered Medical Home and Team-based Model of Care are considered protective factors in burnout.



# THINGS TO CONSIDER TO MOVE BEYOND BURNOUT.... LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

- Organizational Strategies:
  - Team based care (Do we use this model? If yes, describe. If no, why not?)
  - Top down vs. bottom up (Think about your organization and how changes are made/introduced? How can you address culture and make changes?)
  - Consider a PDSA cycle to create small tests of change
- Personal Strategies:
  - Do you have a “self-care” strategy? Do you practice it regularly?
  - What keeps you grounded at work?
  - What would help bring back the “joy in work” for you personally? Is this something that you could share with leadership (remember attainable goals are key here....not just more vacation time)? How (and to whom) could you bring forward your suggestions/thoughts?



# Questions





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# UPCOMING WEBINARS IN THIS SERIES

- May 1\*: Cheryl Fattibene on Moving Beyond Burnout
- May 9: Cindy Barr on Setting up the Space
- May 16: Dr. Eileen Barrett on Improving R&R By Increasing Professional Satisfaction

\*Note: This is a change!\*



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