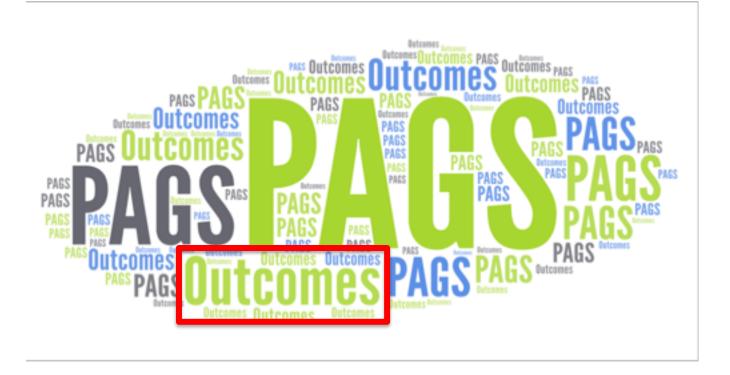
#### From Volume to Value Outcomes Measurements



# Can You Select the Quality Apples?



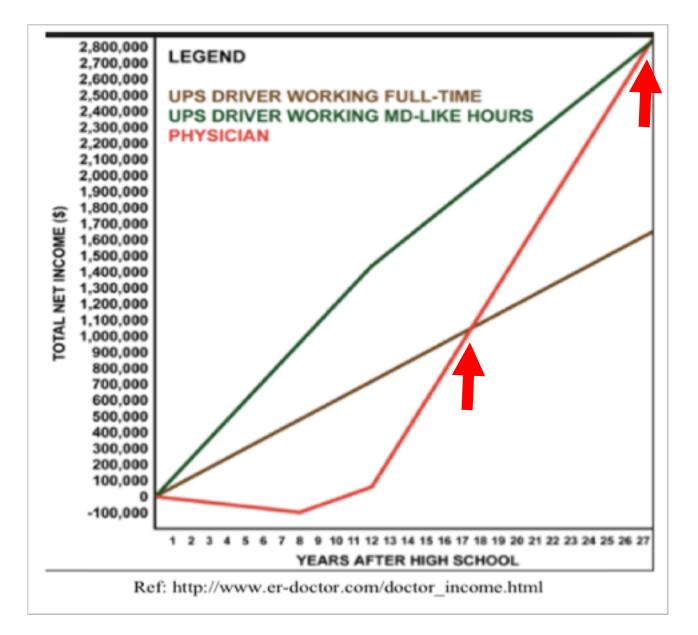
# **Objectives**

- Show the formula for measuring value
- Describe why value is important metric to record
- Discuss the tools and methods to produce valid information
- How to get started

# Why Is U.S. HC So expensive?

- Aging of our population
- Administrative costs
- Threat of malpractice-defensive medicine
- Waiting lists
- Increase in chronic diseases (obesity) Cost of technology and medications
- P.S. It is *not* the fees of the doctors!

#### **Salaries of UPS Driver vs. Doctor**



# **Definition of Value**

#### Value = outcomes\cost



#### New, Modern, Real Definition of Value

# Value = health outcomes *that matter to the patient*\cost



# **New Paradigm**

- From volume to value
- Value will be rewarded



#### One More Reason to Conduct OCM Your income will depend upon it!

HHS will tie 90% of all Medicare fee-for-service payments to *value* next year



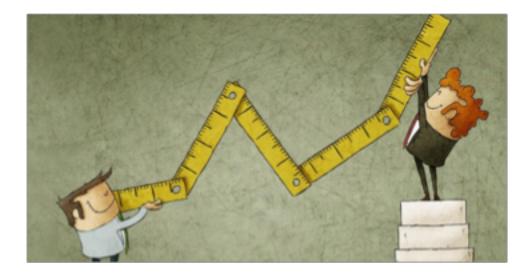
#### **Yesterdays Outcome Measurement**

- Survival
- Morbidity (complications)
- LOS
- Readmission rate
- Radiographic and lab results



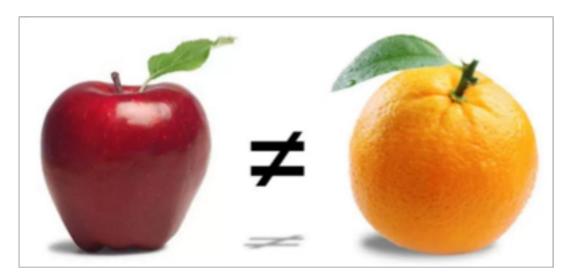
# **OCM—The New Paradigm**

- Patient satisfaction-pts. with a positive experience have better clinical quality
- Functional status
- Quality of life issues
- **Must** reflect *what is important to patients*



# Co-Morbid Conditions

- Indicators of risk: age, patient medications, laboratory data
- Must adjust data to consider risk factors
- Compare apples to apples

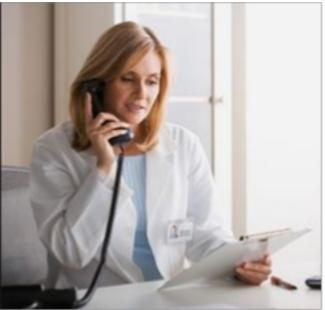


# **Getting Started**

- Start with high volume diseases or conditions
- Look at cost (\$s and lost productivity)
- Conditions that are well-defined and have quantifiable measures: LapHys, VH, SUI surgery, cervical biopsies, Hysteroscopy, D & C

# **Measuring Patient Experience**

- How long did patients wait before being seen?
- Did doctor answer patient's questions using easy to understand language?
- Did someone in the office follow up on test results and imaging studies?



#### Example From The Restroom at Atlanta Airport



### **Another Nice Example**



#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please use your mobile device's camera to scan the QR code to access our patient satisfaction survey.

#### How Are OC Measures Developed?

- Begin with evidence base
- Begins with clinical research that links OC with improved patient health
- Use guidelines-a suggested treatment for certain patients, illnesses, or clinical circumstances
- ACOG has guidelines considered standards of care

### Satisfaction With Surgical Outcome After Hysterectomy

- Overall improvement in QOL
- Vaginal bleeding
- Pain relief-pelvic pain, back pain
- Relief of urinary symptoms
- Ability to do ADL
- Ability to do recreational activities
- Resume sexual activities
- Complications-fistula, ureteral\bowel injury

# **Adjusting For Risk**

- Risk factors: DM, CRF, BMI, cardiac status, CBC, total protein, COPD
- Psychological factors
- Patient's compliance
- Smoking history



### **Bottom Line**

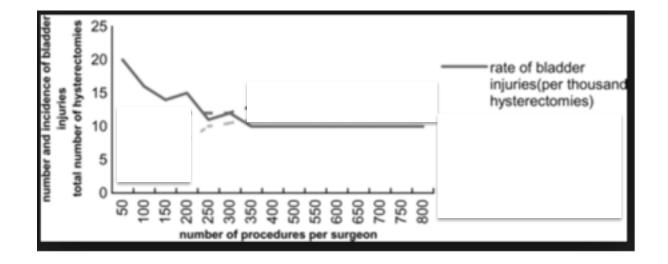
# Benefit of OCM is to inform and stimulate continuous practice improvements



# Where does the data come from?

- Brief questionnaires
- Longer questionnaires with interviews
- Postal\telephone
- Coding data
- EMR

### **Complications After Hysterectomy**



#### **THM: More experienced surgeons have fewer complications**

# The Role of Patient Satisfaction

- Patient Satisfaction 
   — Improved Quality



## **Current Outcome Measurement**

- At present OCM are rare or nonexistent
- (Scandinavian countries have national quality registries)
- Currently in U.S. Mandated OCM for transplantation, IVF, dialysis
- At present OCM focused on only immediate results

# 1<sup>st</sup> Conclusion

- OCM is possible, practical and economically feasible
- OCM identify major variations in care
- Risk adjustment *must be implemented* into OCM
- Goal: outcome improvement and reducing variation

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Conclusion

- OCM is single most important tool to promote innovation in the delivery of HC
- Every gynecologist should start with the conditions they treat and then track progress against past performance

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Conclusion\Summary

- Hopefully you have seen how to identify OC for common gynecologic conditions
- OCM will soon become mandatory for every doctor and hospital
- Result is to shift focus from short-term cost reduction to long-term value improvement

### **Take Home Message**

The purpose of OCM is to improve care and *not* to keep score!



# Final, Final, Final Word

- We hope you have received a few ideas that you can use in your practice
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