



## Stakeholder Survey

Hennepin County Paramedics in Minnesota designed a supportive role in their county to support nursing care. It has been approved by Medicaid for reimbursement since it directly reduces the rate of hospital readmissions.

Patients in New Jersey that have been discharged from the hospital often go home without support in the first 24 hours. Supportive services within the short-term can enhance a patient's recovery period and prevent a costly return back to the hospital. Paramedics have intimate knowledge of the medical home. As a result, they can be utilized for their expertise in emergent and non-emergent care interventions and home safety assessments. These interactions are not meant to replace visiting nurse services, but instead are meant to fill existing gaps in the continuum of care.

Paramedics would be given a new step in their career ladder to expand their role in the community. In this new role, they would be titled Community Care Practitioners.

As a stakeholder, we value your feedback and are asking for your participation in this brief survey.

- Describe how you would envision the Community Care Practitioner fitting into New Jersey's healthcare industry?
- Patients are discharged to a number of different locations. Where do you see the Community Care Practitioners performing this role in New Jersey?

Patient's Home

Nursing Home

Specialty Care Center

Group Home

- In your view, how would the Community Care Practitioner contribute to the strategic plan of reducing hospital readmission in New Jersey?
- Where would Community Care Practitioner services fall on the continuum of care matrix?

- What do you see as the major critical issues facing organizations that implement this new service?
- Do you have gaps in service that may require the utilization of a Community Care Practitioner?
- What opportunities do you see for Community Care Practitioners to supplement the services that you provide?
- Do you have patients in your community that are ineligible for your service?
- Would the ability for EMS to provide treatment to patients on the scene and not have to transport them to the emergency department benefit your organization?