



T1D
Exchange

Adult Collaborative Call

January 28, 2025

Agenda

- Updates from T1DX-QI Coordinating Center, Osagie Ebekoziem, MD, MPH and Nicole Riales, MA
- Center Presentations
 - WASHU, Kai Jones, MD and Cynthia Herrick, MD
 - Grady Memorial, Georgia Davis, MD
 - Boston Medical Center, Kathryn Fantasia, MD

2024 Invoicing

For your Statements of Work with T1D Exchange, all invoices for deliverables completed on or before December 31, 2024, must be invoiced on or before 5pm EST March 1, 2025. Please work with your finance teams to ensure that we receive your invoices as we will be unable to process past due invoices for Calendar year 2024 after 3/7/2025.

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Kindly forward this reminder to your finance contacts so that they are aware of the deadline.



Thank you!

Thank you for a wonderful journey together over the past 7 years. I truly appreciate each and everyone of you who have made my time at TID Exchange so memorable!

Please stay connected via LinkedIn ([1](#)) [Osagie Ebekozi MD, MPH](#) | LinkedIn or email Osagie.ebeks@gmail.com







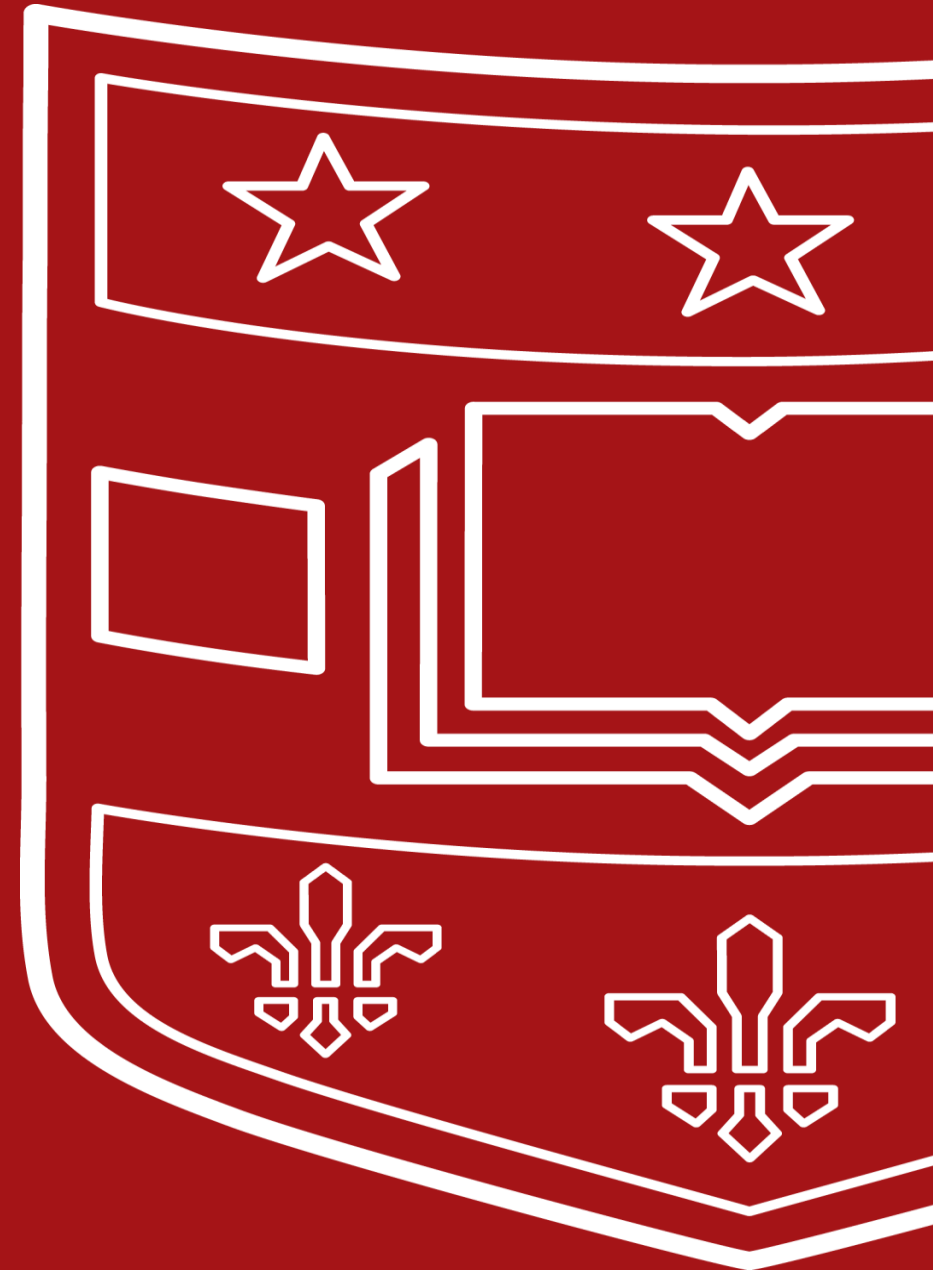
Center Presentation

Washington University in St. Louis

Kai E. Jones

Cynthia J. Herrick

Isabelle Reed – QI Champion



Background



We aim to increase use of PHQ2 for screening for depression by 50% in the next 3 months.

Survey to Providers



- Staff in Diabetes Center
 - 2 NP
 - 1 PA
 - 17 MD
- 12 responses
 - 1 NP
 - 1 PA
 - 10 MD

Survey Results



- 100% - Strongly Agree/Somewhat Agree that Screening for Depression in Patients with DM is essential to providing care
- 50% - Never perform depression screenings

Survey Results



- **70% - Listed Time as a barrier for lack of screening**
 - 20% - Not aware of appropriate screening method/documentation
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- 70% - Extremely Comfortable/Somewhat Comfortable with pre appointment screenings
 - Those who were uncomfortable mentioned the following issues:
 - MyChart Screening is “impersonal”
 - Time/Method for follow-up of results
 - Next steps?

PDSA #1



Initiate a prescreening process



Pre-appointment screening will not add additional burden or steps to the check-in process for our patients with diabetes.

We hope this message finds you well. The American Diabetes Association recommends screening for your mood and mental health as this is very important to your overall well-being. As part of this, we kindly ask for your participation in a brief depression screening survey. Results will be available for your diabetes provider to review.

3/6/24 3:46 PM

KJ

If you are currently experiencing urgent mental health issues or require immediate assistance, please do not wait, and reach out to our office or the following resource:

Behavioral Health Response (crisis line) 800-811-4760

Last read [redacted] 3:47 PM on 3/6/2024.

Patient questionnaire submission 3/6/24 3:47 PM

Your response has been received.

Mychart Phq-9

3/6/2024 3:47 PM

CDT - Filed by

Patient

Question

Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems?

Little Interest or Pleasure in Doing Things Not at all

Feeling Down, Depressed, or Hopeless Not at all

PHQ-2 Score (range: 0 - 6) 0 (Further screening not recommended)

Review Social Drivers

♥ Social Drivers of Health

Tobacco Use
Not on file

Financial Resource Strain
Not on file

Transportation Needs
Not on file

Stress
Not on file

Intimate Partner Violence
Not on file

Housing Stability
Not on file

Utilities
Not on file

Alcohol Use
Not on file

Food Insecurity
Not on file

Physical Activity
Not on file

Social Connections
Not on file

Depression
Dec 30, 2024: At risk

Health Literacy
Not on file

[Find community resources](#)

Close

Previous

Next

Concerns present: 1

Start Review

PDSA #1



- One half day clinic for 3 months
 - 20 eligible patients with T1D – surveys sent
 - 14 were viewed by patients
 - 6/20 patient response to message – all negative
 - **2/6 – response was recorded but completed by a proxy**
 - 5 patients subsequently screened in clinic

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- **Did not see those changes reflected in portal**
- **Discussion with IT regarding data capture**
 - **Able to update our mapping**

PDSA #1- Reflections



- Depression data can be captured using pre-appointment surveys
 - Appropriately transmitted to the exchange
- Proxies can complete the survey

PDSA #2 – In person screening



First week of January

6 Patients with T1D (only 5 eligible)

4 – Negative

1 – Intermediate

1 -- Positive screen

PDSA #2 – Reflections



- In person, screening with PHQ-2 was efficient
- Rarely positive
- If positive:
 - Provider needs resource list that is updated
 - Prescribing help

PDSA #3



- 20% of providers were not aware of appropriate screen
 - How to enter
- Concerns with screening included
 - Time
 - Next Steps:
 - Updating list of mental health providers – with insurance info
 - Updated urgent referral or treatment information
 - Education on interpreting results and SSRI prescribing

Algorithm for anti-depressant initiation if elevated PHQ



If PHQ-2 positive, then complete PHQ-9.

Follow flowchart

1st line medication options with starting dose:

SSRI

Fluoxetine (20 mg) : better if depression sx predominant

Sertraline (25-50 mg): better if anxiety sx predominant; well tolerated

Paroxetine (10 mg) : better if anxiety sx predominant

Citalopram (10 mg): good for balanced depression/anxiety sx; well tolerated

Escitalopram (5 mg): good for balanced depression/anxiety sx; well tolerated

SNRI

Venlafaxine (37.5 mg): avoid in pt with HTN

Duloxetine (30 mg): good for neuropathic pain

Other

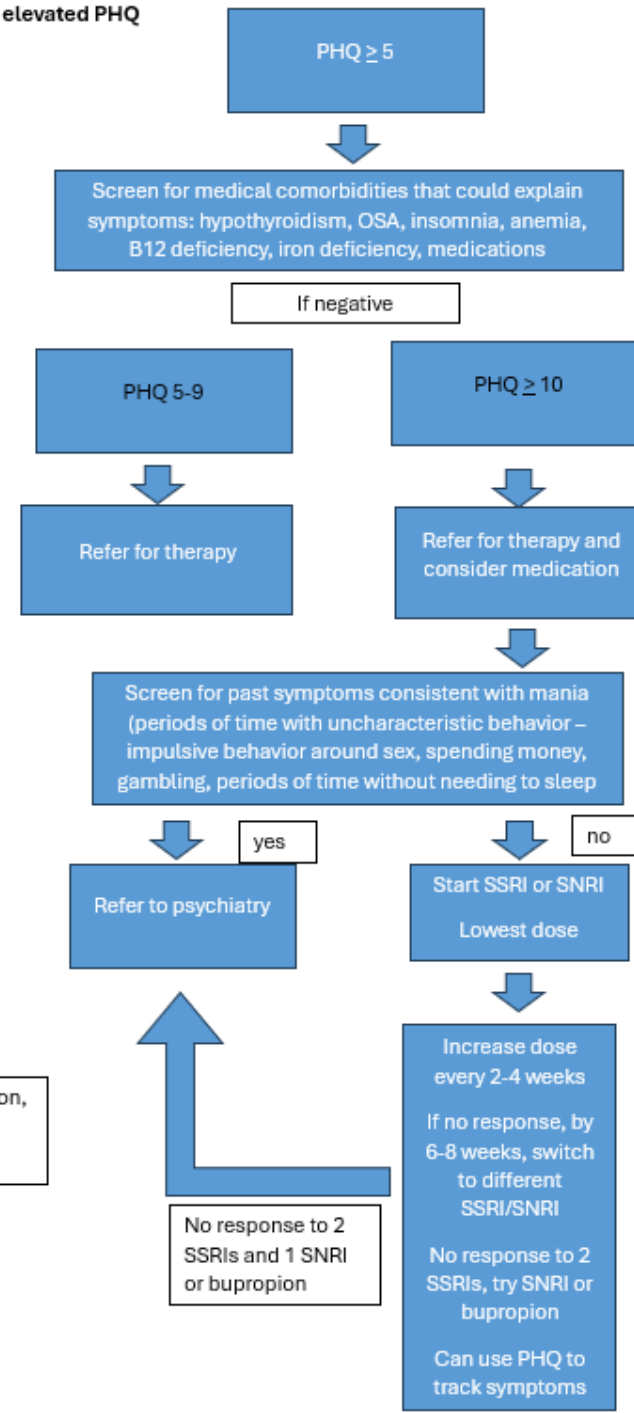
Bupropion (75-150 mg): associated with weight loss

Mirtazapine (15 mg) : stimulates appetite

Vilazodone (10 mg): fewer sexual side effects

Vortioxetine

Common SSRI/SNRI side effects: weight gain, sedation, GI side effects, low libido, erectile dysfunction, headache, agitation, sweating/tachycardia



No response to 2 SSRIs and 1 SNRI or bupropion

Increase dose every 2-4 weeks

If no response, by 6-8 weeks, switch to different SSRI/SNRI

No response to 2 SSRIs, try SNRI or bupropion

Can use PHQ to track symptoms

Next Steps

- Resource for how to enter screening
 - Video
 - **Outpatient Task Force Meeting Time**



Thank You



Center Presentation

GRADY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

January 2025 | Adult QI Collaborative Update

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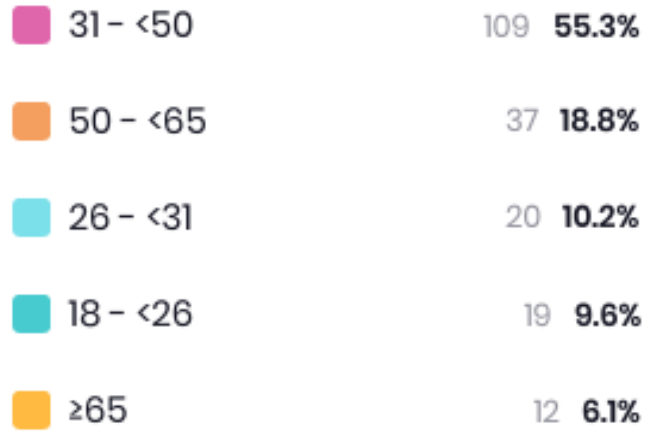


Sabeena Usman,
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Clinic Population Overview

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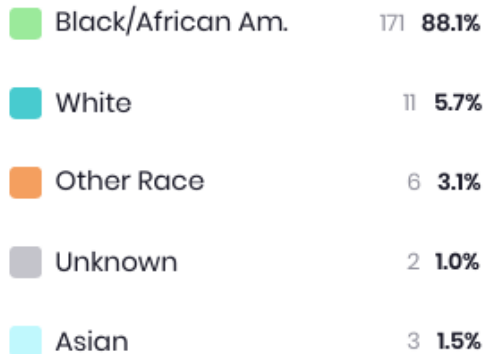
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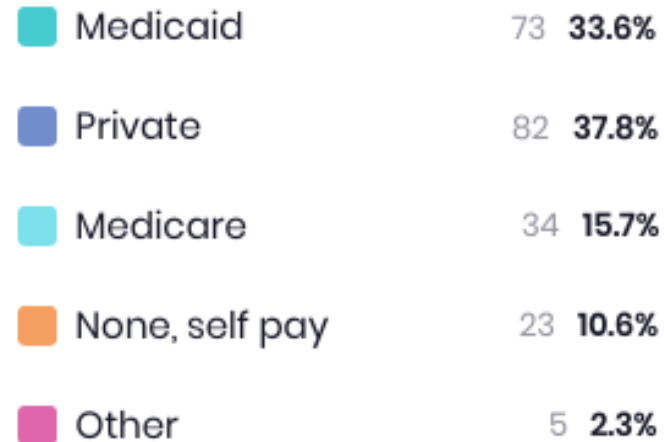
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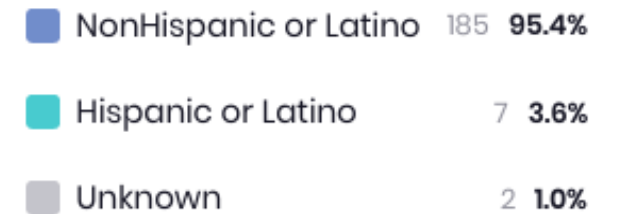
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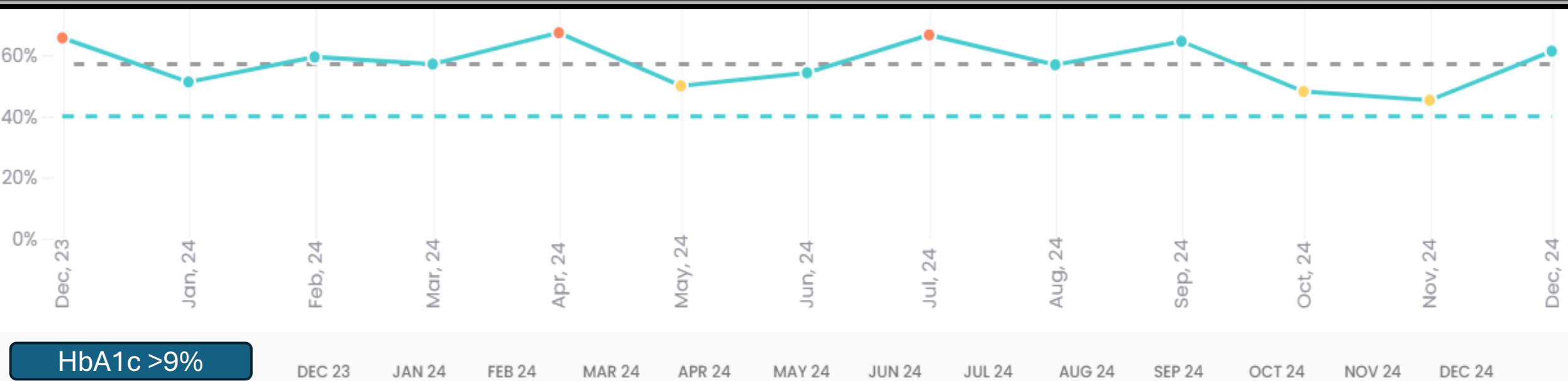
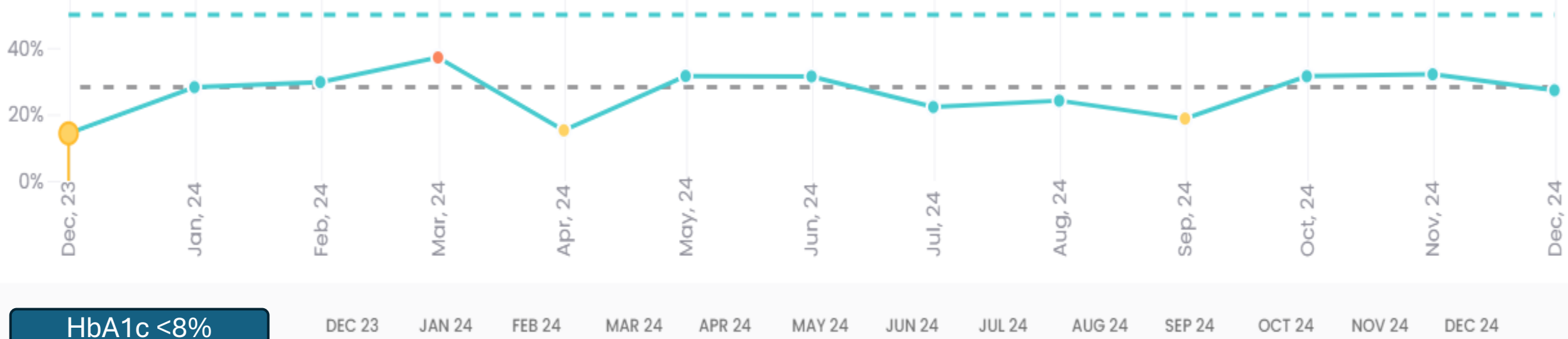
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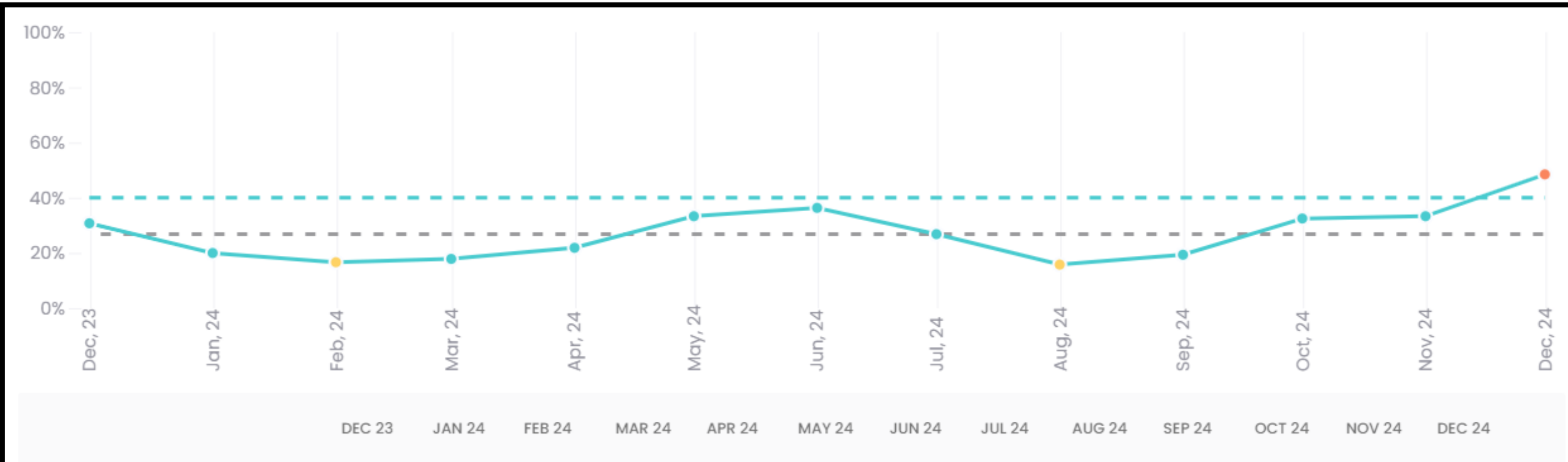
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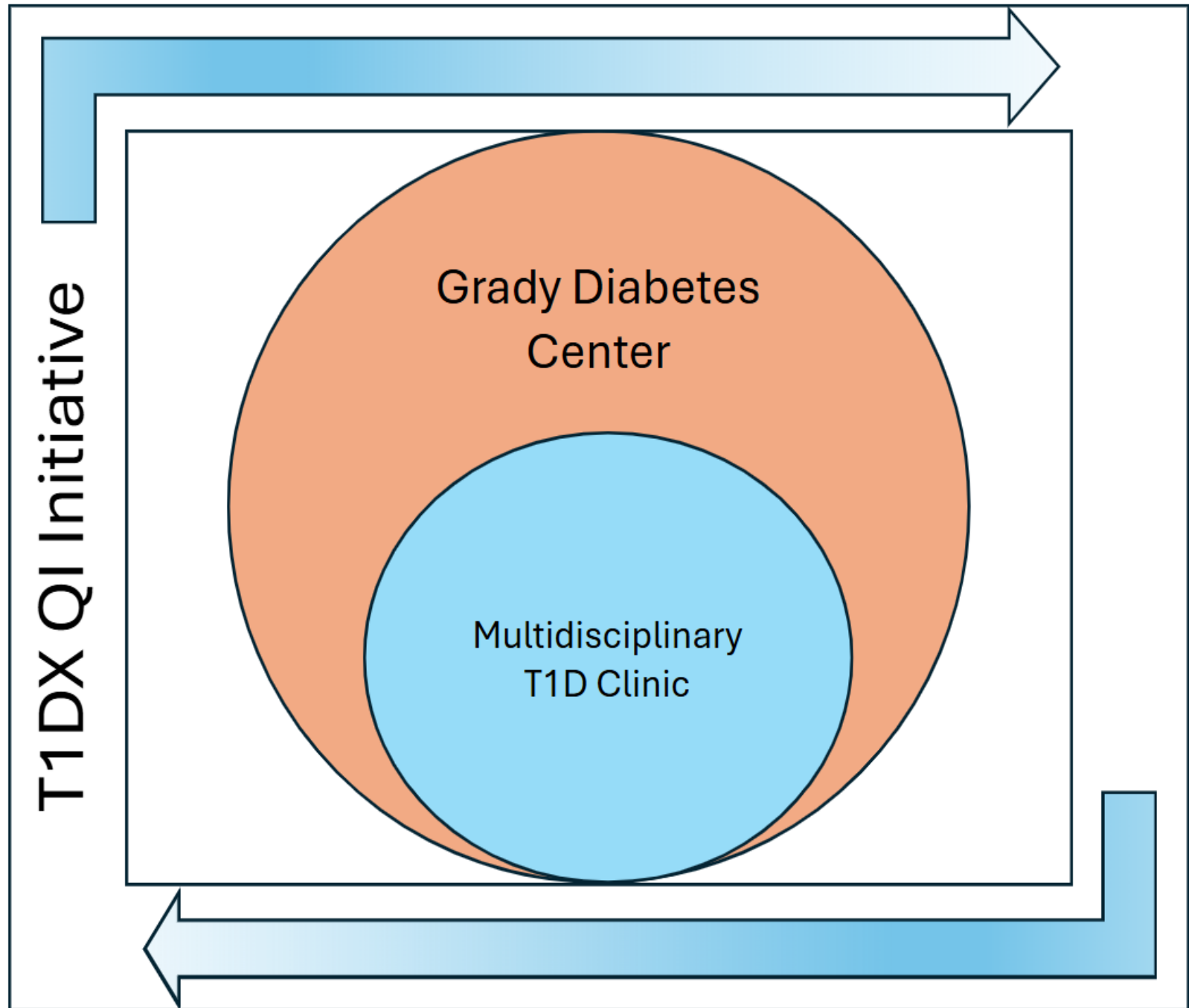
Clinic Metrics



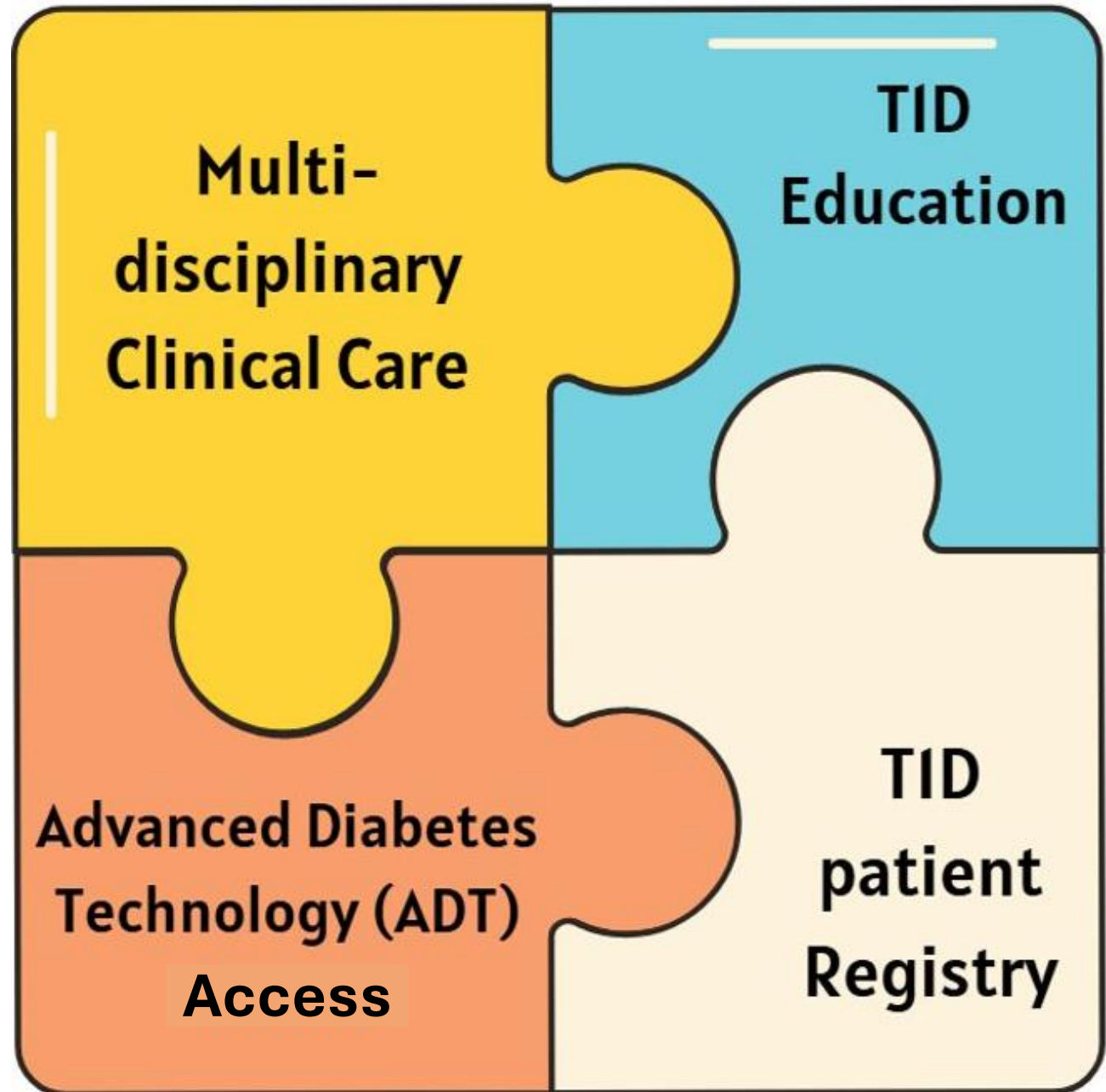
Clinic Metrics: HbA1c Improvement $\geq 0.5\%$



GHS Diabetes Center: Clinic Structure

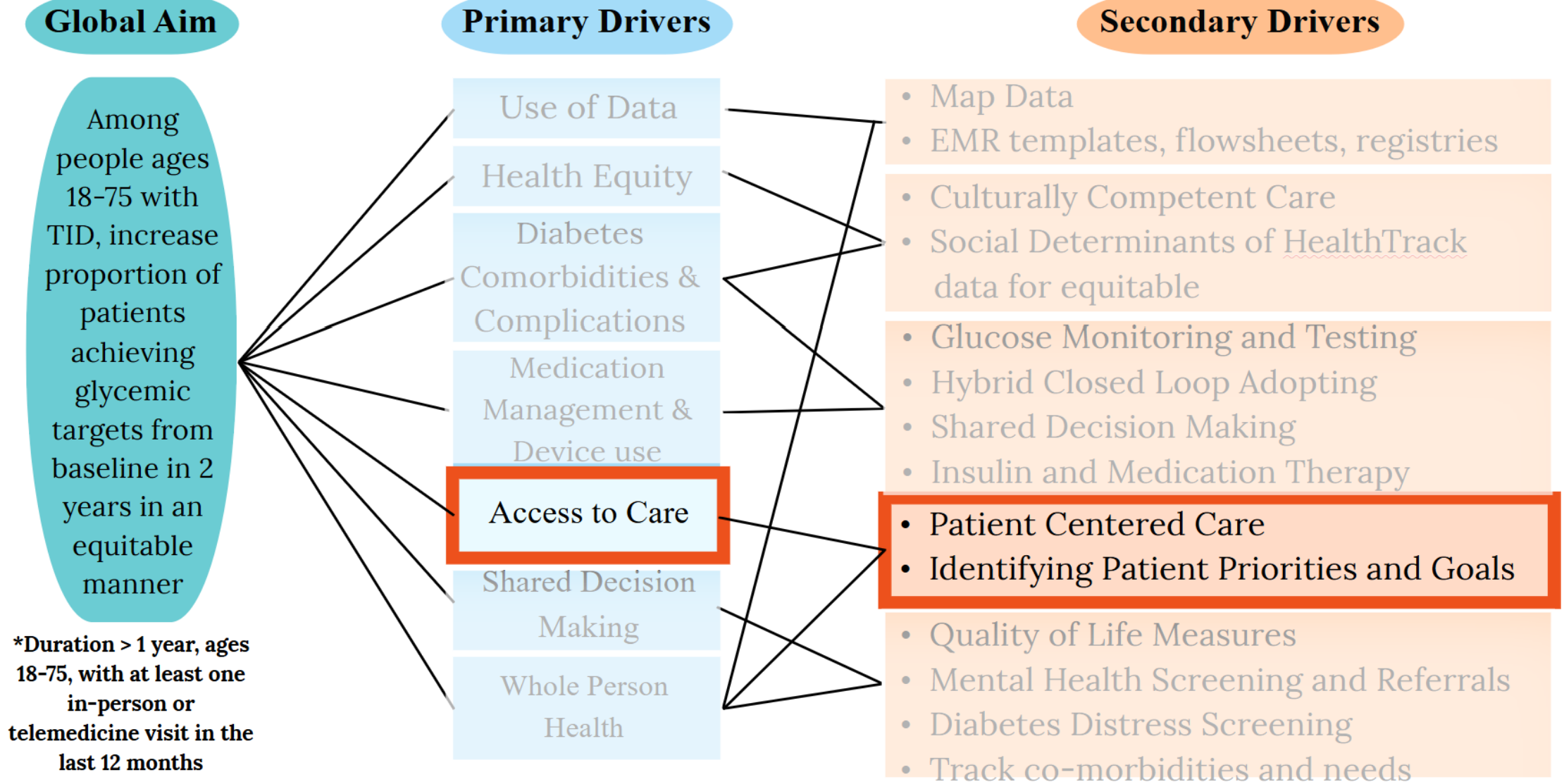


Quality Improvement Initiatives

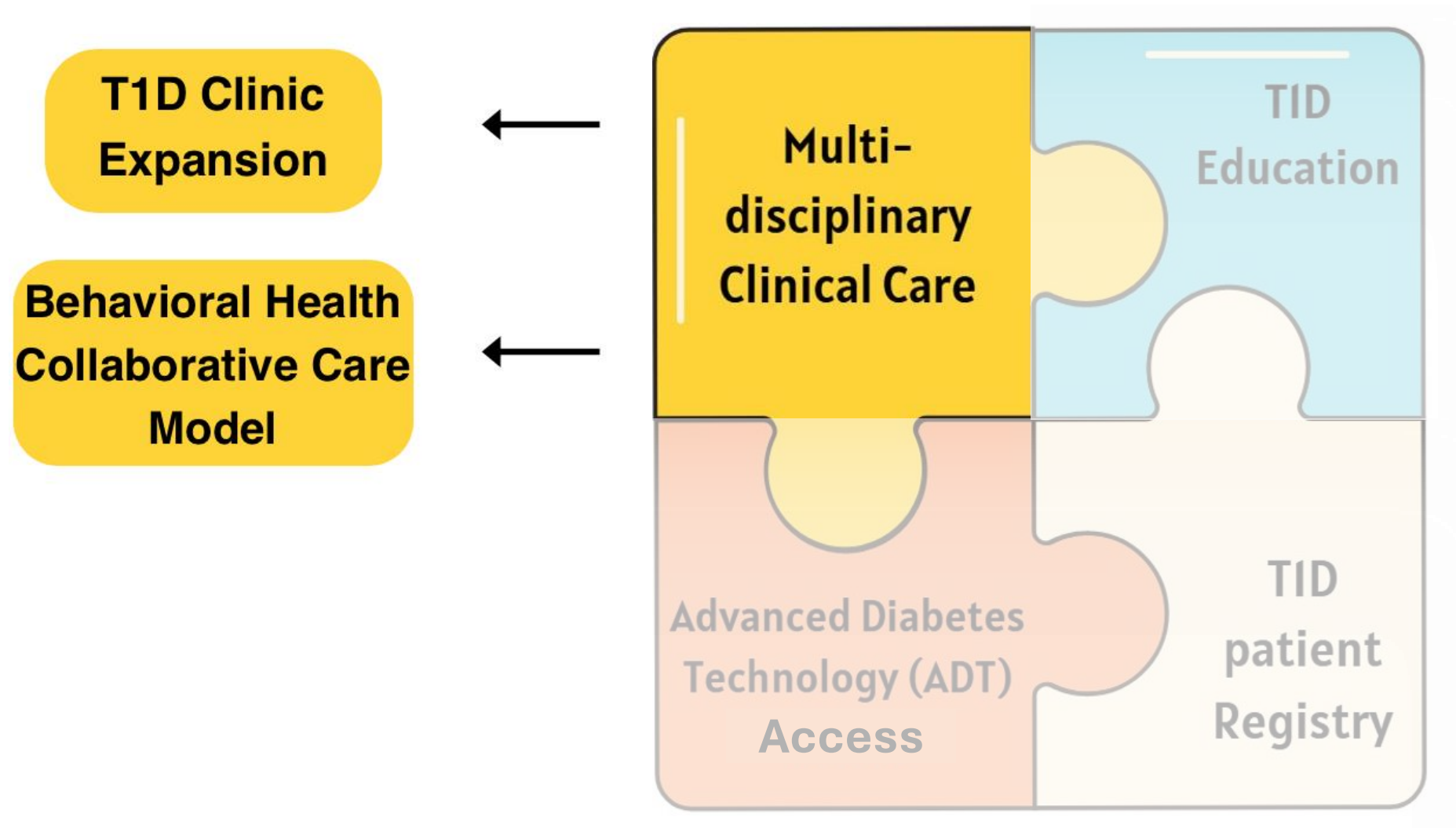


Access to T1D Multidisciplinary Care

Key Driver Diagram



Quality Improvement Initiatives: Multidisciplinary Clinical Care



Who we are

Grady T1D Clinic

What we do

**Multidisciplinary
Clinical Team**

**Advanced Diabetes
Technology (ADT)
Access**

**Clinical Research and
Quality
Improvement**

Medical Education

How we work

Endocrinologists

Diabetes Educators

Clinical Pharmacists

Nutritionists

Behavioral Scientists

**Identify barriers to
equitable access**

**Clinical Trials
Outcomes Research**

**Students, Residents,
Fellows**

**Device initiation and
continued use**

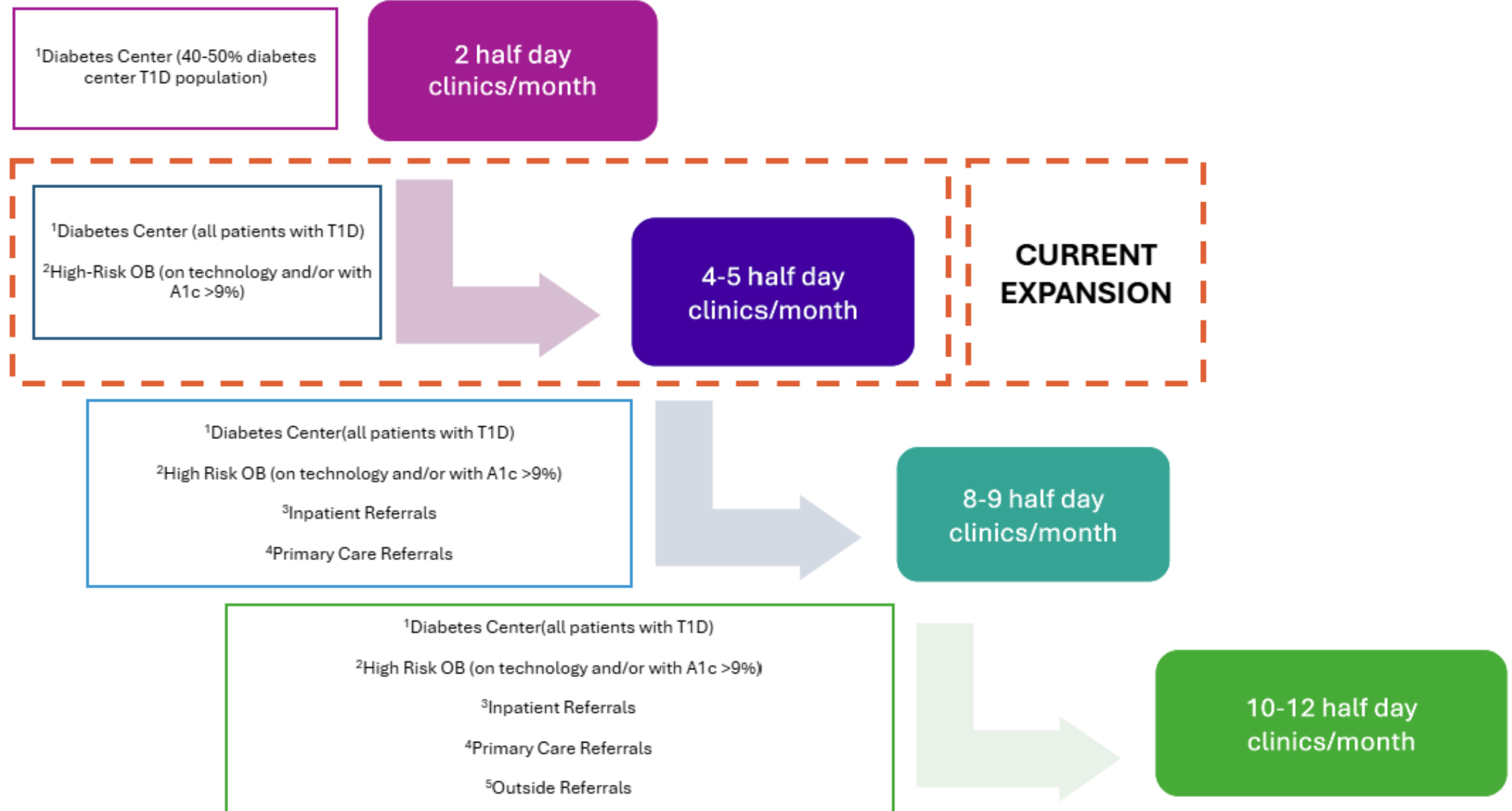
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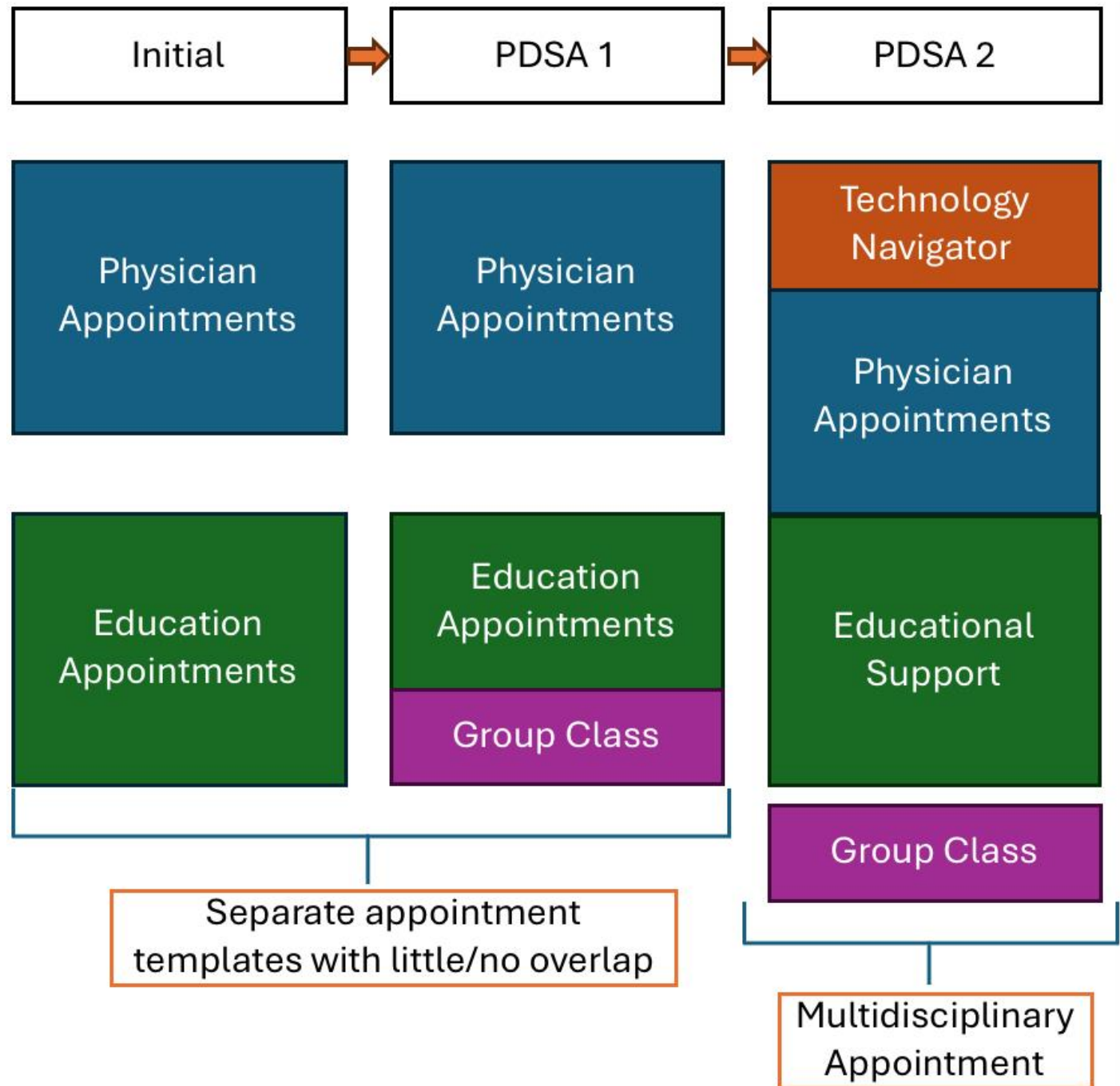
Our programmatic
mission

Reduce Care Fragmentation and Inequities in T1D Management

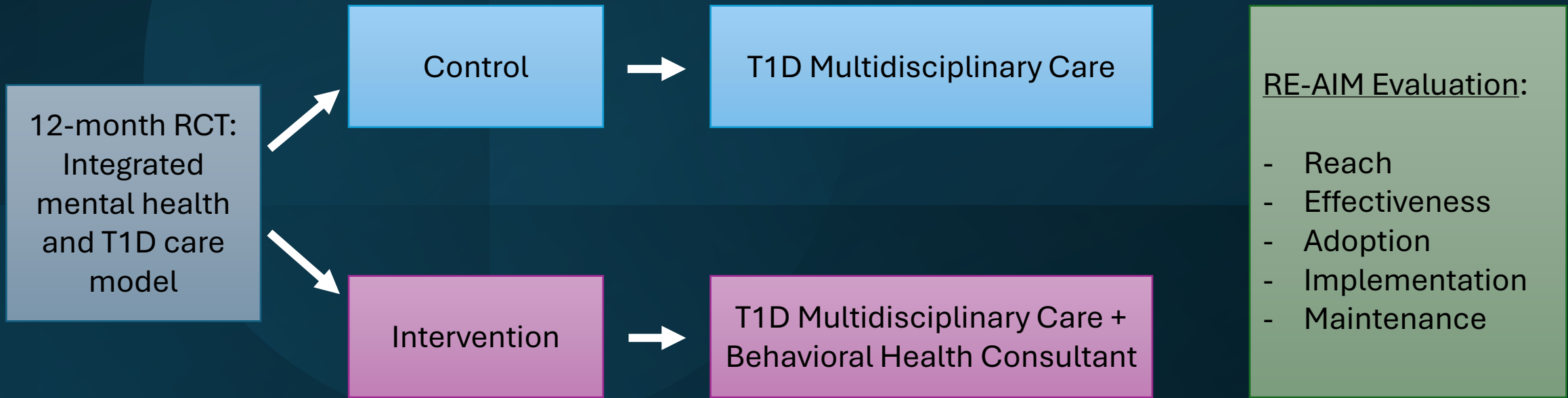
T1D Clinic Expansion



Clinic Scheduling: Process Improvements

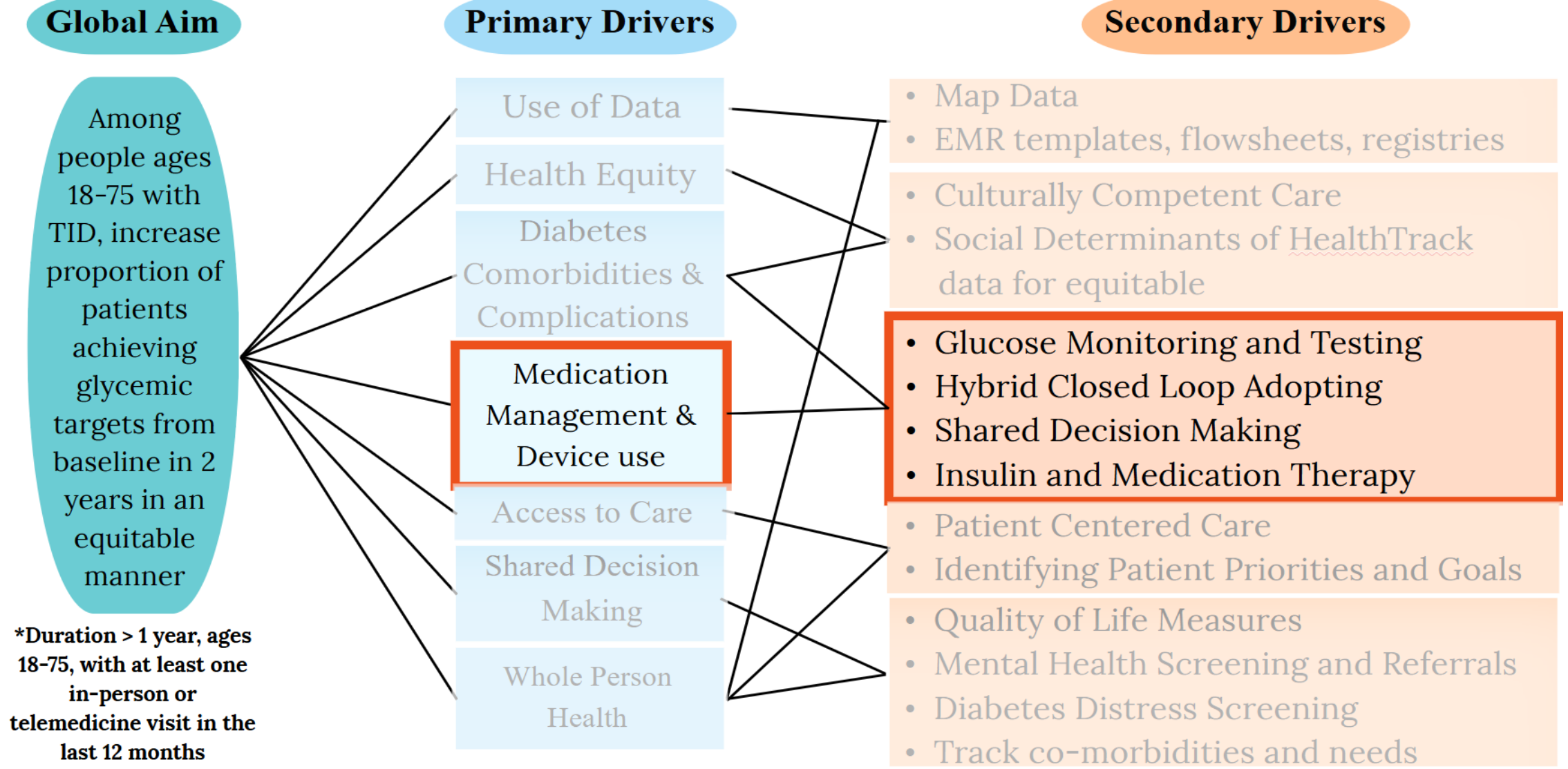


Collaborative Care Model: Addressing Behavioral Health Needs in T1D

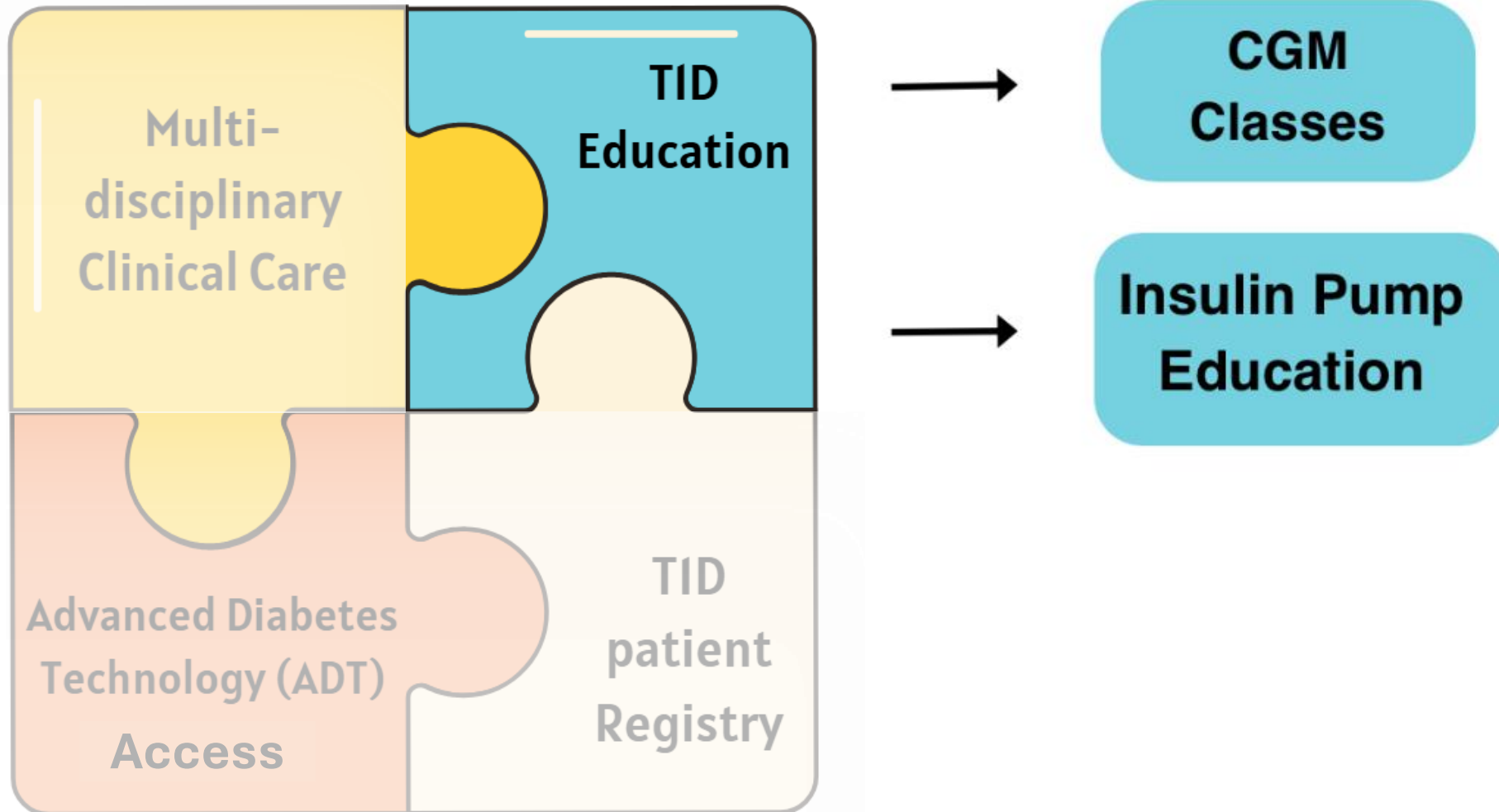


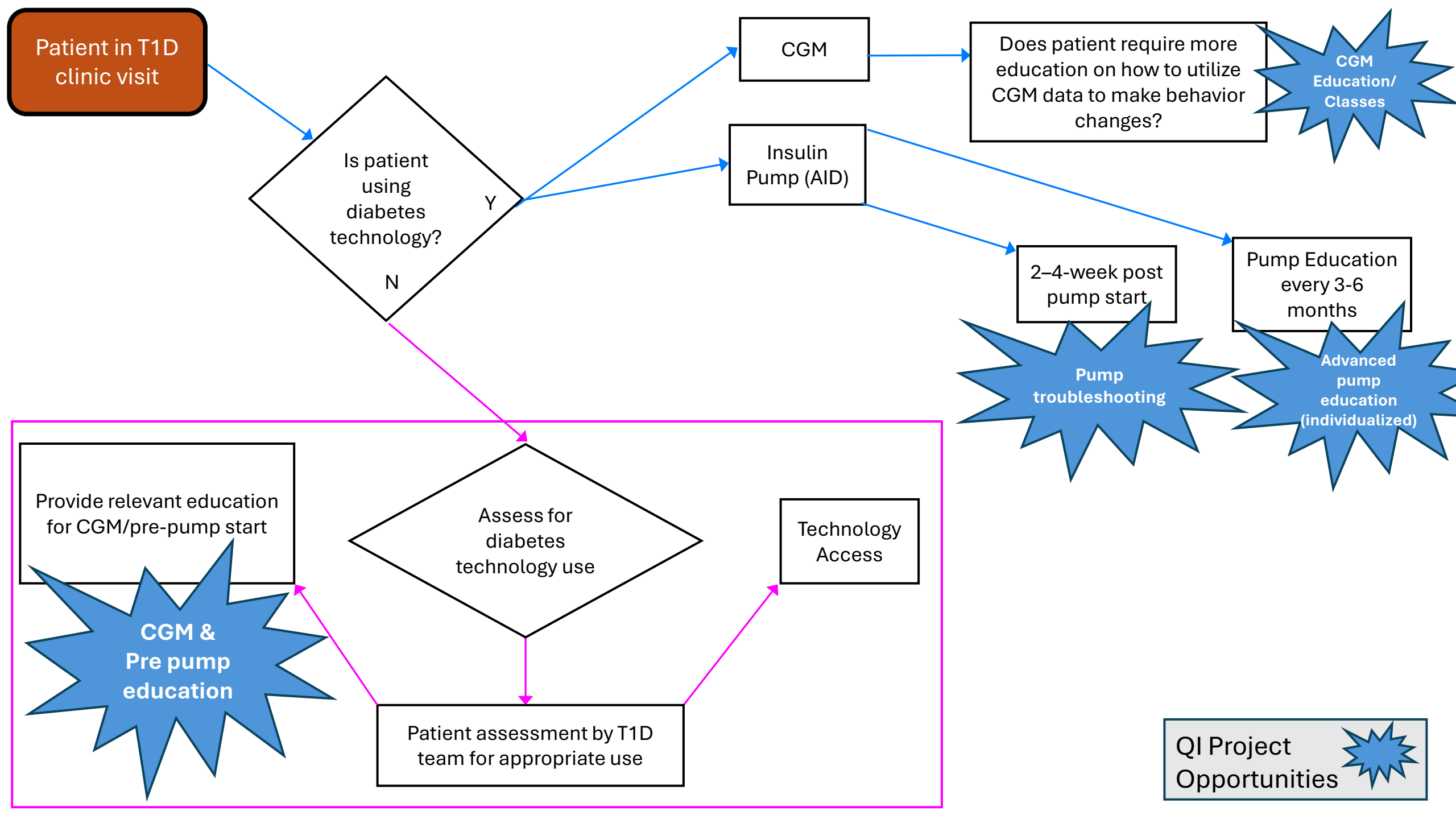
Type 1 Diabetes Education

Key Driver Diagram



Quality Improvement Initiatives: Type 1 Diabetes Education





Patient in T1D clinic visit

Is patient using diabetes technology?

Y

N

CGM

Insulin Pump (AID)

Does patient require more education on how to utilize CGM data to make behavior changes?

CGM Education/Classes

2-4-week post pump start

Pump Education every 3-6 months

Pump troubleshooting

Advanced pump education (individualized)

Provide relevant education for CGM/pre-pump start

Assess for diabetes technology use

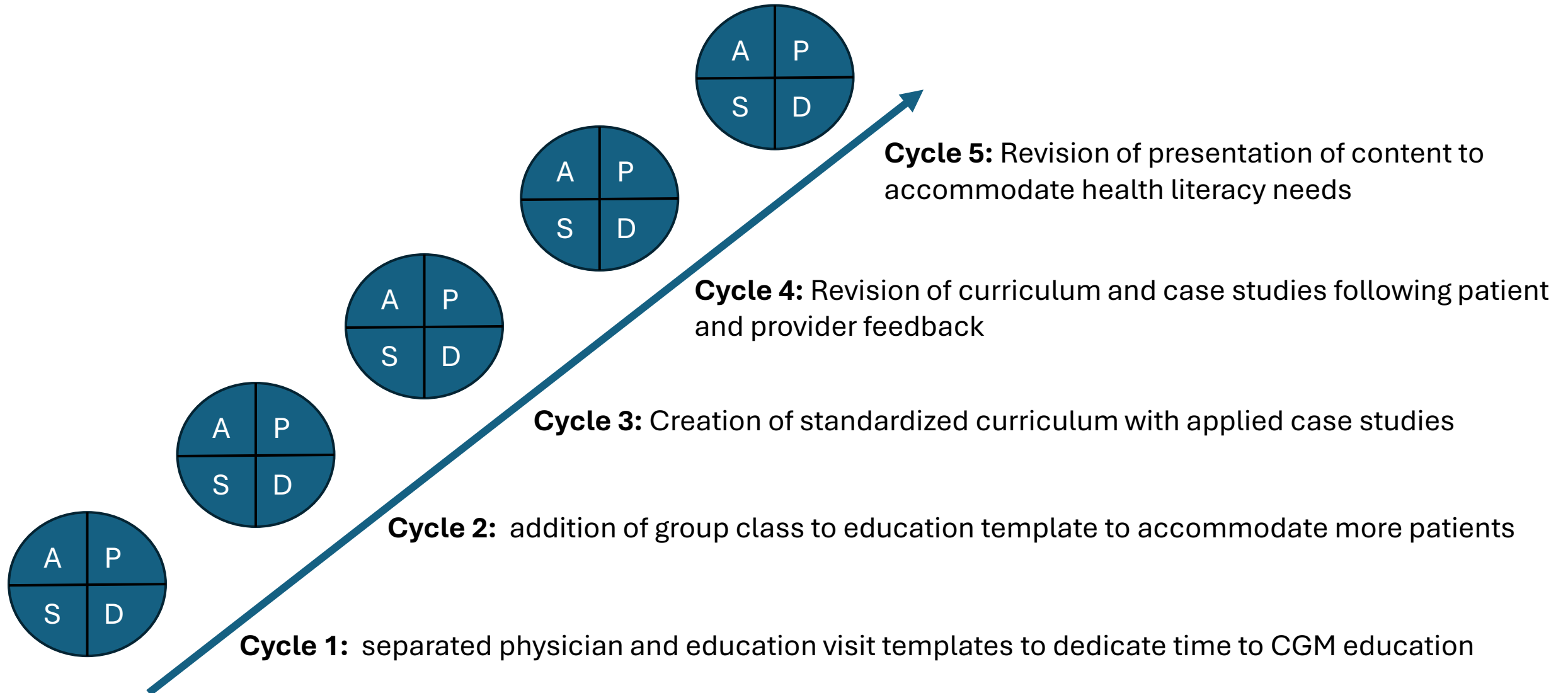
Technology Access

CGM & Pre pump education

Patient assessment by T1D team for appropriate use

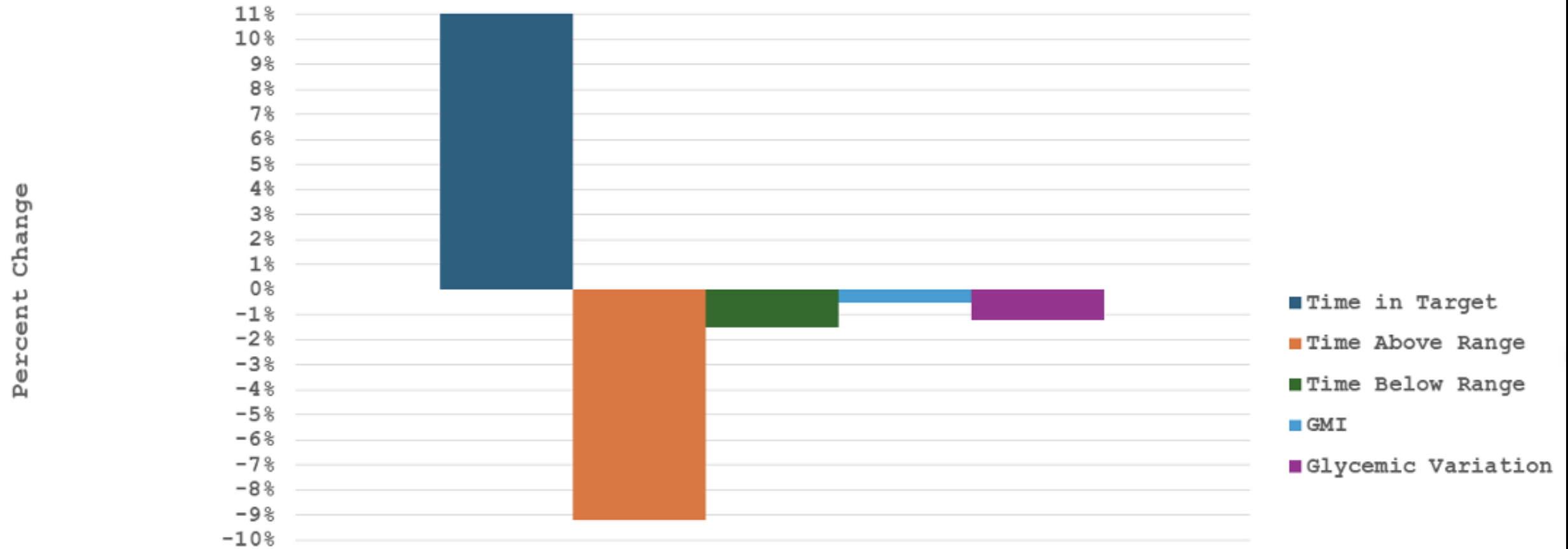
QI Project Opportunities

CGM Classes



CGM Classes

Average Change in CGM Metrics Before and After CGM Class



Pre-Pump Education

Session 1: Prior to pump initiation

- What is an insulin pump/how it works
- A1C concept
- Benefits/Risks
- Carb counting
- Handout of the different types of insulin pumps on the market

Session 1a: Group format carb counting

Session 1b: Individualized carb counting with ICR and/or meal size education

Session 2: Pump Start Education

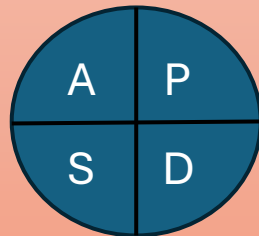
- Pump initiation and training completed with company clinical liaison or clinic CDE
- Glucagon and ketone monitoring prescriptions

Session 3: Pump Troubleshooting

- Skin issues/preventing infections
- Disconnecting and reconnecting pump
- Water activities
- Traveling
- Back up supplies
- Troubleshooting

Session 4: Advanced Pump Education

- Ongoing education (every 3-6 months)
- Advanced pump functionality
- Physical activity



Educational References: trifold brochure for pump troubleshooting

Carb Counting Skill Building: ongoing education for carb and meal estimation entry (individual or group)

- Glucagon review

Advanced Diabetes Technology Access

Key Driver Diagram

Global Aim

Among people ages 18-75 with T1D, increase proportion of patients achieving glycemic targets from baseline in 2 years in an equitable manner

*Duration > 1 year, ages 18-75, with at least one in-person or telemedicine visit in the last 12 months

Primary Drivers

Use of Data

Health Equity

Diabetes Comorbidities & Complications

Medication Management & Device use

Access to Care

Shared Decision Making

Whole Person Health

Secondary Drivers

- Map Data
- EMR templates, flowsheets, registries

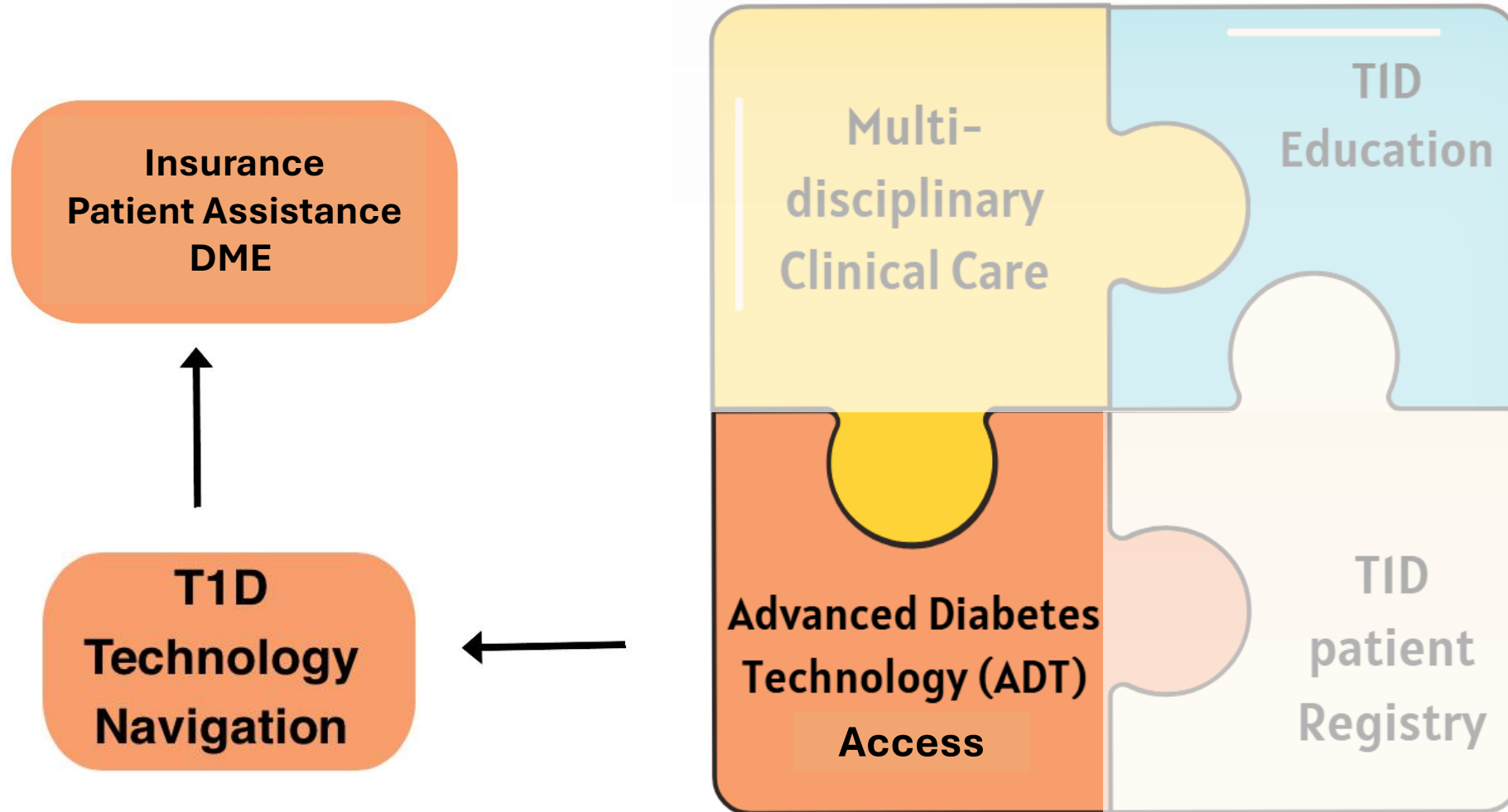
- **Culturally Competent Care**
- **Social Determinants of Health Track data for equitable**

- Glucose Monitoring and Testing
- Hybrid Closed Loop Adopting
- Shared Decision Making
- Insulin and Medication Therapy

- Patient Centered Care
- Identifying Patient Priorities and Goals

- Quality of Life Measures
- Mental Health Screening and Referrals
- Diabetes Distress Screening
- Track co-morbidities and needs

Quality Improvement Initiatives: ADT Access



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Behavioral Scientists			

Reduce Care Fragmentation and Inequities in T1D Management

T1D Program Navigator

Visit Navigation	ADT Access	Device Data	Patient Registry
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T1D Program Navigator

Visit Navigation

- Assessment of current technology use
- Patient device and prescription needs
- Visit priorities

ADT Access

- Insurance coverage
- Patient assistance programs
- Approval processes
- Order logistics and follow up

Device Data

- EHR technology use documentation
- Population management tools

Patient Registry

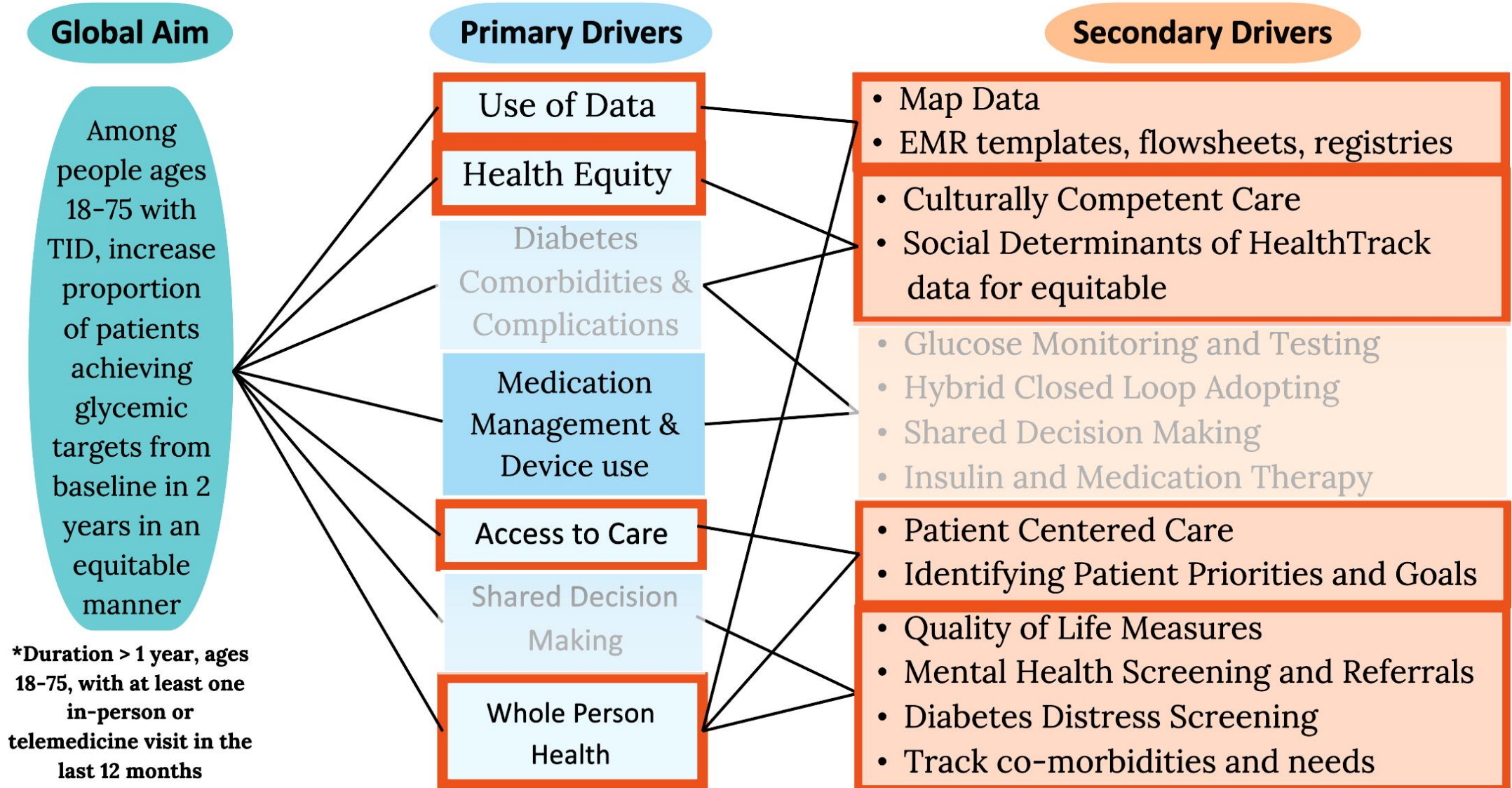
- Study introduction and integration into clinic flow

Patient and Population-Level T1D Data for support of:

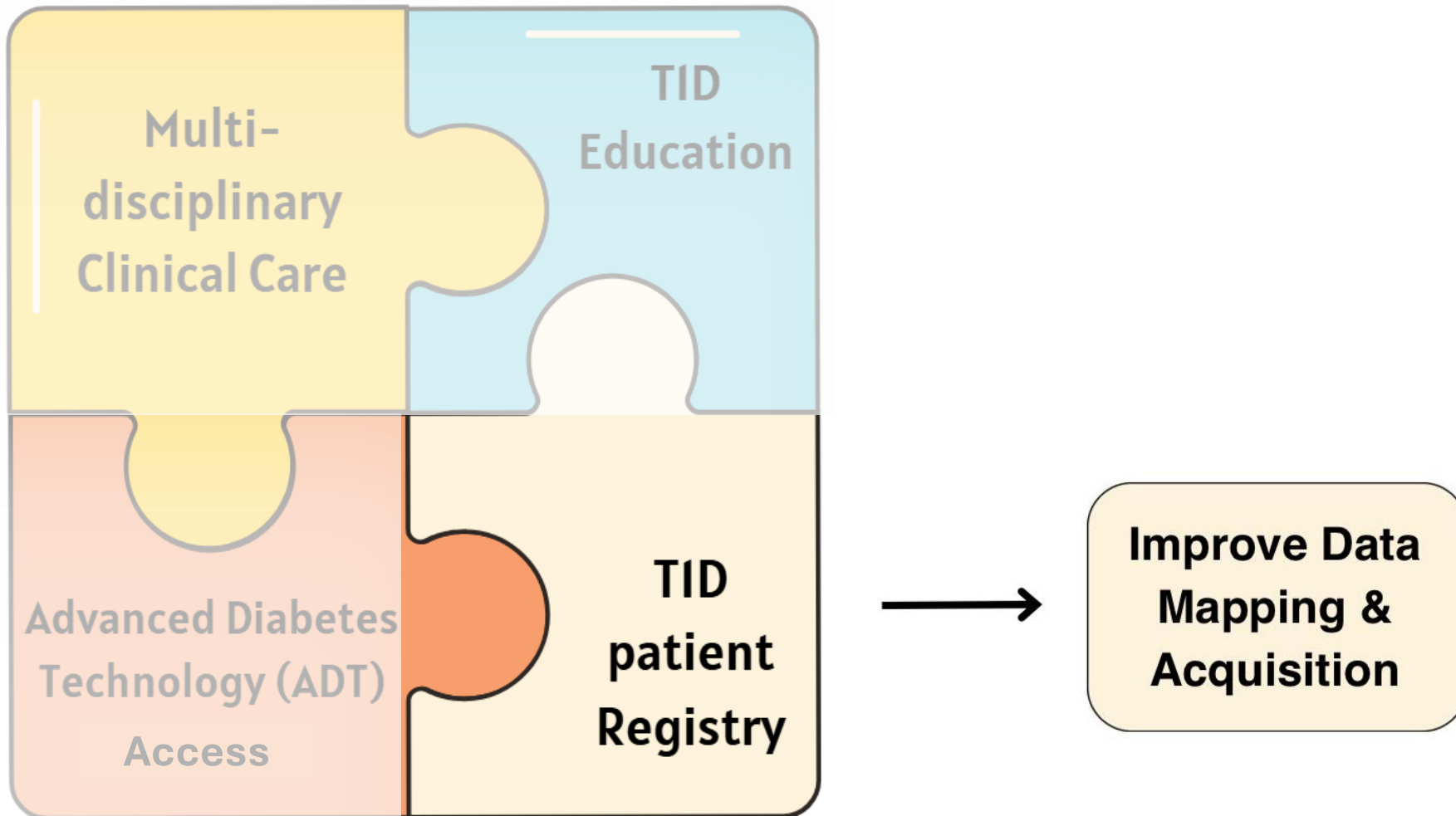
- Ongoing national QI initiatives
- Population management research (local, national)
- Clinical Trials prioritizing high-risk groups

Type 1 Diabetes Registry

Key Driver Diagram



Quality Improvement Initiatives: Type 1 Diabetes Registry



T1D Registry:

Patient Information & EHR Data

Initial Intake

- Name
- Age
- Sex

Initial Survey

- Diabetes history
 - Duration
 - Diagnosis (T1/T2)
 - DKA/Hypos
- Device use
- Diet & exercise
- Substance use
- Education
- Employment/Income
- Insurance coverage

Follow Up Survey

- Longitudinal tracking of events/metrics :
 - DKA
 - Hypoglycemia
 - Glycemic control
 - CGM & insulin pump use (gaps)
 - Insurance (gaps)

EHR Data

- Vitals
- Anthropometrics
- Lab tests:
 - Glycemic metrics
 - Lipids
 - Ketones
 - Thyroid function
 - Renal function
 - Liver function
 - Vit D
 - Antibodies (T1D-specific and other)

Medical History

- Chronic conditions
- Family history
- Diabetes complications
- Surgeries
- ED visits
- Hospitalizations
- Medications
- Allergies
- Imaging
 - Retinal screening
 - Gastric emptying
 - Echo (EF)

Clinical Encounter & Note Data

- T1D clinic visits
- T1D Education visits
- Diabetes Center encounters

T1D Registry:

Surveys

Diabetes Distress

Hypoglycemia

QOL

Health Literacy

SDOH



Type 1 Diabetes
Distress Assessment
System (T1DDAS)

Fear of
Hypoglycemia
Screener

SF-12 Health
Survey

Newest
Vital Sign

Digital
health
literacy

BRIEF: HL
screening

Food Insecurity,
Transportation &
Neighborhood

Thank You!

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Center Presentation



T2D Exchange Increasing CGM Prescribing for Adults with T2D

Boston Medical Center
HEALTH SYSTEM

Our Clinic

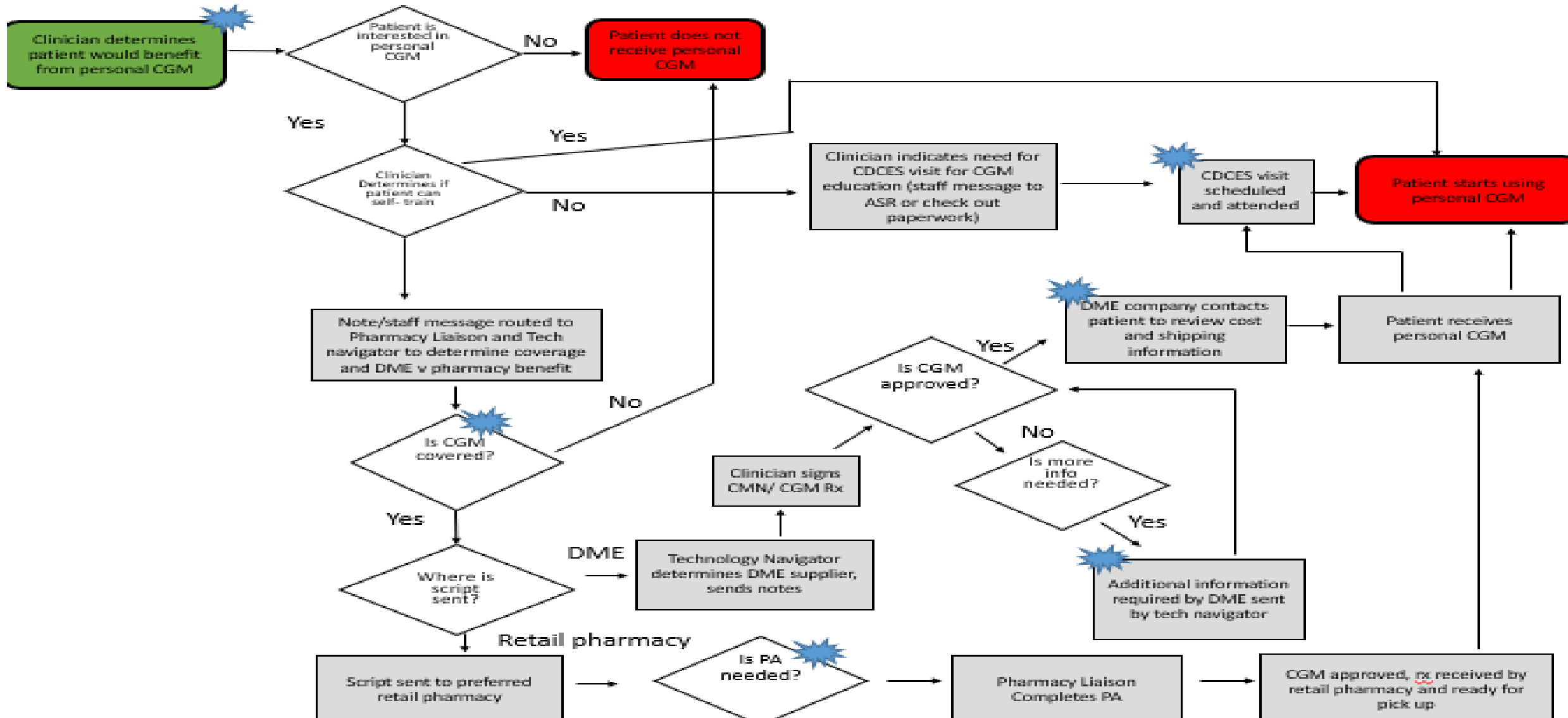
- 514-bed safety-net hospital in Boston, Massachusetts
- ~75% of patients are publicly insured, ~60% African American, ~10% Hispanic, ~30% non-English language preference
- 8 CDCES (4 RD, 1 RN, 2 PharmD, 1 NP)
- 4 NPs (1 dedicated outpatient)
- 10 Endocrinologists who participate in DM care

Diabetes Population

- --600 T1D patients/year
- --4000 T2D patients/year (primary diagnosis billing)



CGM Process Map



CGM KDD

Primary Drivers

Change Ideas

Aim
Increase the use of continuous glucose monitors (CGM) by 10% for people with T2D by 12/31/24. Demonstrate reduction in CGM disparities by 3%

Patient Education



- FAQ sheet to help families understand CGM usage
- Send educational materials via Mychart
- Peer support discuss benefits and shortfalls with patients.
- Standardize offering of training appointments
- Standardized videos with benefits of CGM

- Create pictorial patient handouts.
- Support patients who have Integration Issues with CGM
- Peer-to-peer opportunities for patients to hear from others about their technology experiences.
- Discuss CGM regularly at appointments

Provider Education



- Train and educate clinical teams on CGM Use

- Run prescribing reports and provide directed outreach and education for providers.

Improve Clinic process for CGM



- Alternate phone or email options for families. Create reminders in mychart for refills
- Discuss CGM regularly at appointments.
- Standardize conversations about technology.

- Use of prior authorization specialist/ Pharm tech.
- Create a better follow up process/Schedule RPM.
- Call/ text patient to know if they received CGM.

Address Inequities



- Patient Barrier Assessment survey
- Community outreach by staff to help families.
- Translate materials in other languages.
- Translators available in clinic/ virtual.
- Comparison chart for CGMs available to patients.

- SDOH Screening and referral
- Coordinate with local PC practices to start CGM
- Limit patient "guidelines" for technology as much as possible to avoid bias.

Partner with vendors and payors to support equitable device access

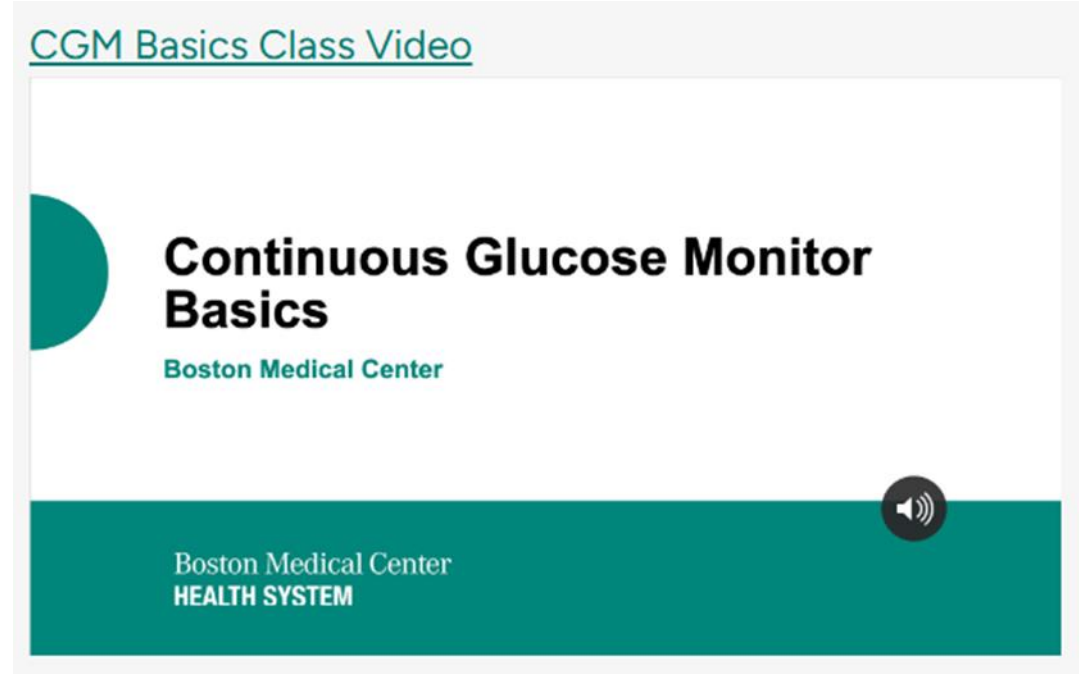
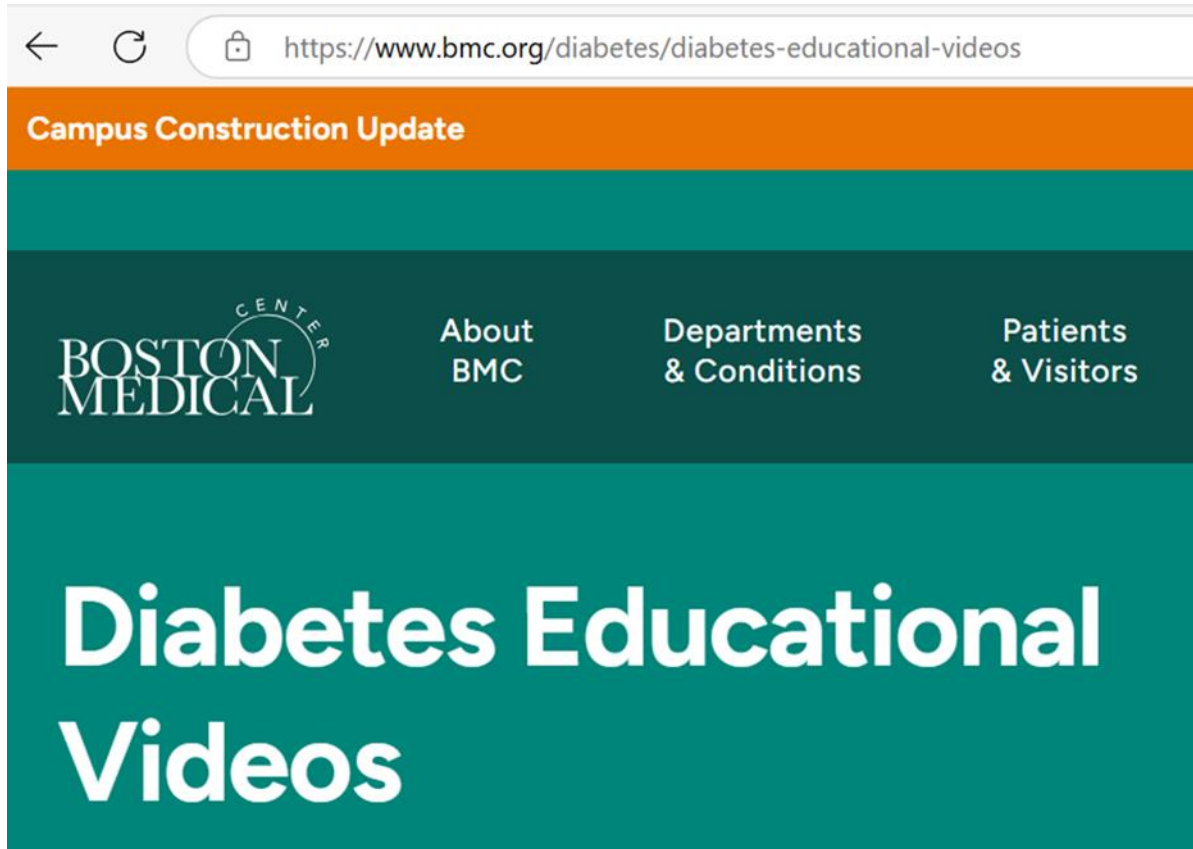


- Advocate with companies about phone compatibility issues.
- Annual DSMES session to address global self-management/ technology needs

- CGM champions to navigate insurance barriers.

Quality Improvement Interventions

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FREE ONLINE CLASS! CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING

A brief, virtual class on the Boston Medical Center website

Use this link below or scan the QR code:

<https://www.bmc.org/diabetes/cgm-basics#cgm>



Watch video at
[anytime!](#)

Learn best practices
for using your
continuous glucose
monitor

Answers to common
questions you may
have!



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Requested CGM videos be translated in Spanish and Haitian Creole. February 2024

Printed information on CGM eligibility and placed in exam rooms. February 2024

CGM Requirements

<u>MassHealth (and all ACO/Medicaid plans, including WellSense)</u>	<u>WellSense QHP (commercial)</u>	<u>Medicare</u>	<u>Commercial Insurances</u>
<p><u>For a diagnosis of diabetes:</u> -Testing frequency: None required -Insulin frequency: At least <i>one daily injection</i> or insulin pump use -Additional requirements: A1c \geq 7% or doesn't meet target treatment goal (If A1c is \leq 7%, insurance will consider other factors such as frequent hypoglycemia, hypoglycemic unawareness, dawn phenomenon, pregnancy, or history of DKA) <u>For a diagnosis of hypoglycemia due to a diagnosis other than diabetes:</u> -Clinical rationale for use of CGM instead of glucometer & test strips</p>	<p>*Dexcom G7 is non-preferred and patient must have trial or contraindication to preferred CGMs <u>For a diagnosis of diabetes:</u> -Testing frequency: At least QID -Insulin frequency: <i>Multiple daily injections</i> or insulin pump (unless patient is unable to use insulin d/t physical, visual, or cognitive disability) -Additional requirements: A1c \geq 7% or doesn't meet target treatment goal (If A1c is \leq 7%, insurance will consider other factors such as frequent hypoglycemia, hypoglycemic unawareness, dawn phenomenon, pregnancy, or history of DKA)</p>	<p>To be eligible for coverage of a CGM and related supplies, the beneficiary must meet all of the following initial coverage criteria (1)-(5):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The beneficiary has diabetes mellitus 2. The beneficiary's treating practitioner has concluded that the beneficiary (or beneficiary's caregiver) has sufficient training using the CGM prescribed as evidenced by providing a prescription; and, 3. The CGM is prescribed in accordance with its FDA indications for use; and, 4. The beneficiary for whom a CGM is being prescribed, to improve glycemic control, meets at least one of the criteria below: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) The beneficiary <i>is insulin-treated (at least one injection per day, any type of insulin and any amount)</i> or, B) The beneficiary has a history of problematic hypoglycemia with documentation of at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Recurrent (more than one) level 2 hypoglycemic events (glucose $<$54mg/dL (3.0mmol/L)) that persist despite multiple (more than one) attempts to adjust medication(s) and/or modify the diabetes treatment plan; or, • A history of one level 3 hypoglycemic event (glucose $<$54mg/dL (3.0mmol/L)) characterized by altered mental and/or physical state requiring third-party assistance for treatment of hypoglycemia 	<p>- The majority of commercial insurances will go through pharmacy benefit. May need PA. They change requirements often but for the most part they require patient to be a T1/T2 and Insulin treated.</p>

Feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have. Cassie.rehm@bmc.org

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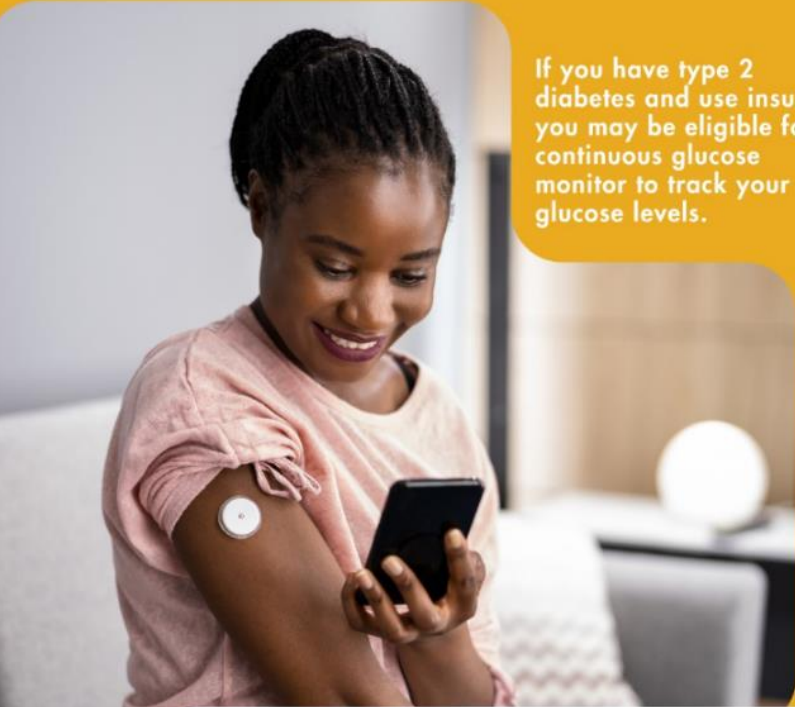
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Flyer Placed in Waiting Areas – English & Spanish

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CGM Survey Ranking of Barriers

Patients meeting insurance eligibility criteria

Patient preference

Inadequate time to explain CGM during a clinic visit

Inconsistent patient follow up in clinic

Knowledge of insurance eligibility criteria

Insufficient availability of education for CGM use

Difficulty navigating coverage process (PA, DME, etc)

Comfort and confidence in using CGM and interpreting results

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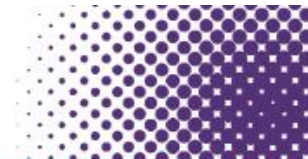
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What Are Continuous Glucose Monitors?

Thank you to Trevon and UPMC for the idea for this handout!



- Continuous glucose monitors (CGM) measure glucose 24 hours a day
- CGM work through insertion of a small self applied sensor under the skin which is worn for up to 10-14 days

What are the benefits of CGM?

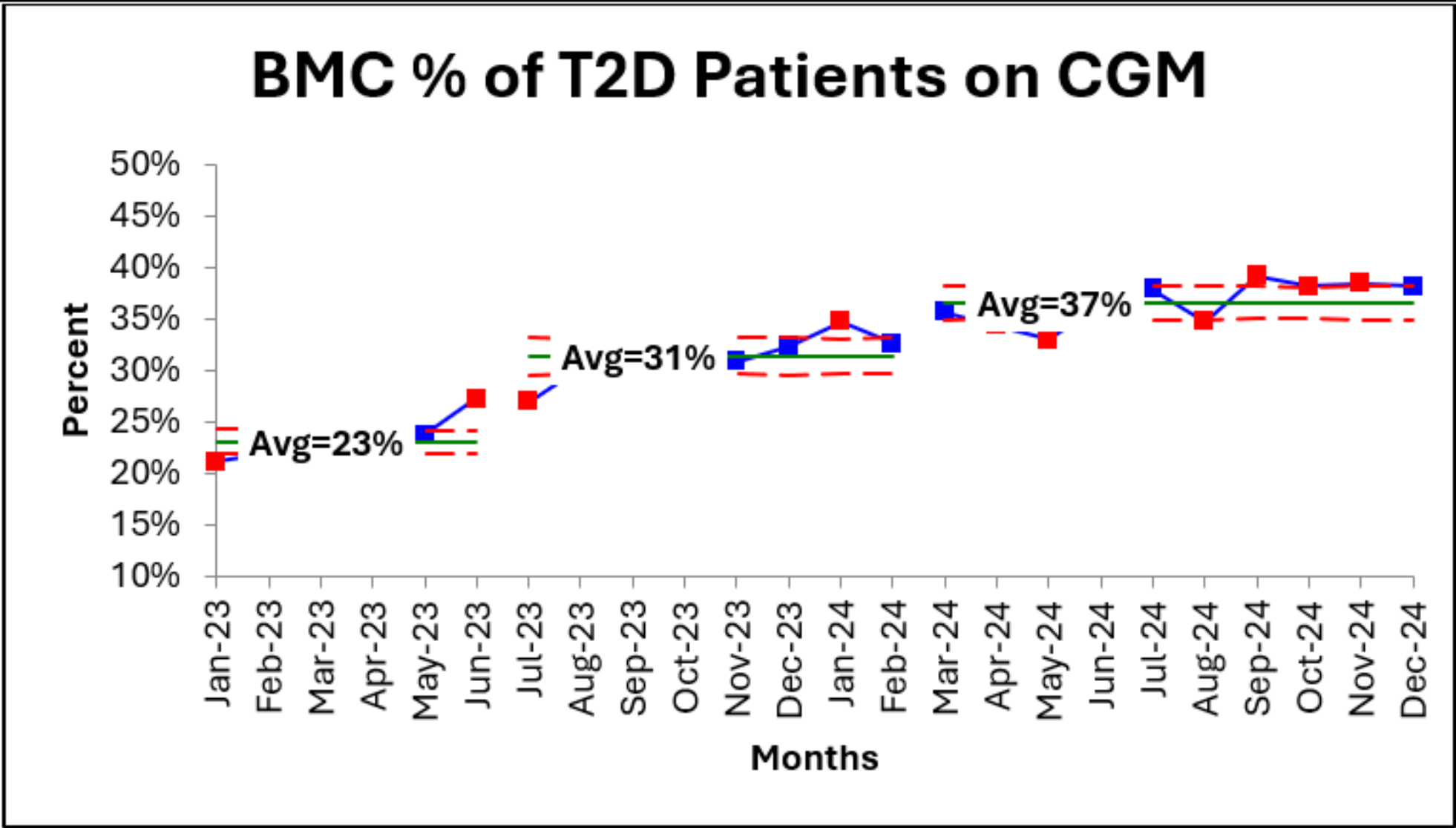
- When using CGM, you rarely have to do fingersticks to check your blood sugar
- See how different foods impact your glucose levels
- CGM gives you more information by telling you what your current glucose level is, how fast it is changing and what direction it is going

Is CGM right for you?

Talk with your diabetes care provider

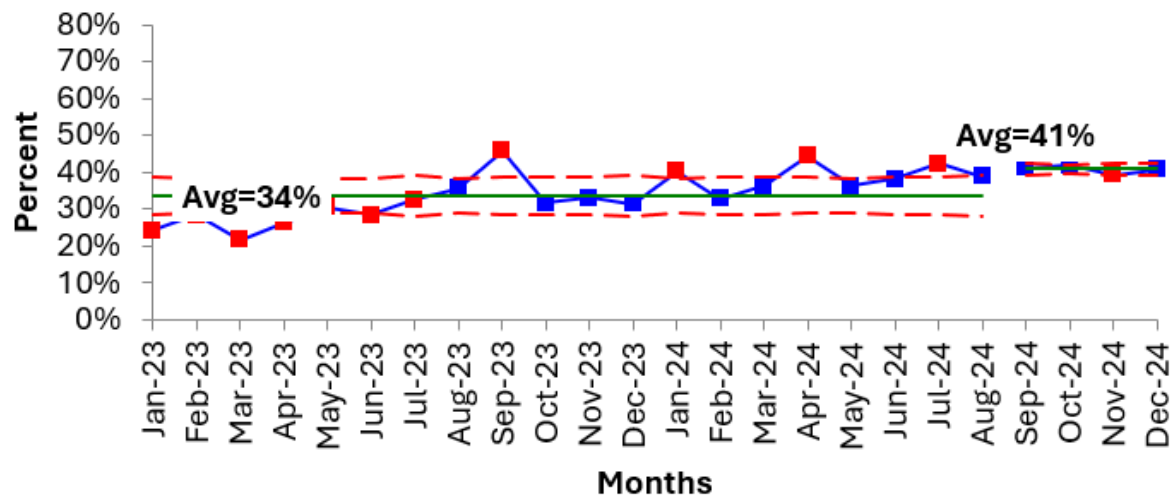
Most insurance companies cover CGM if you use insulin injections at least once daily

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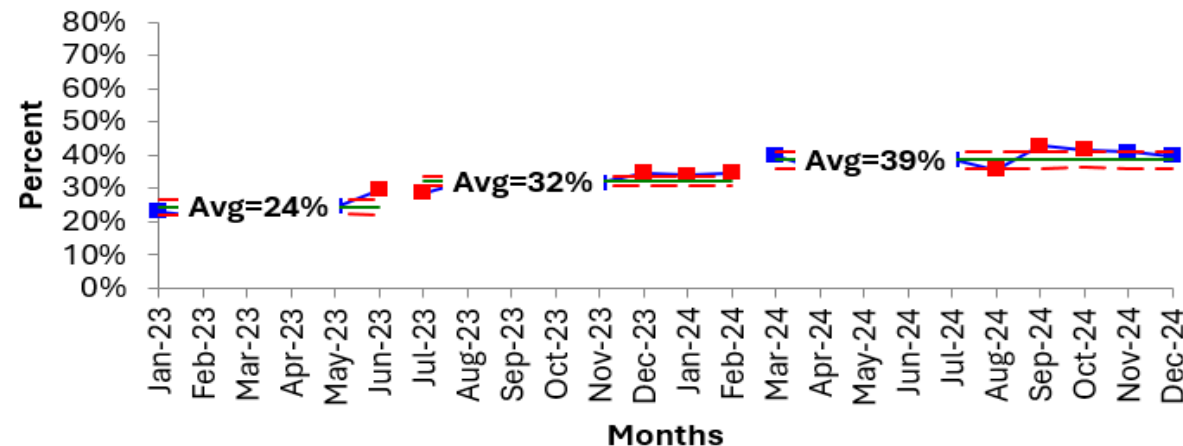


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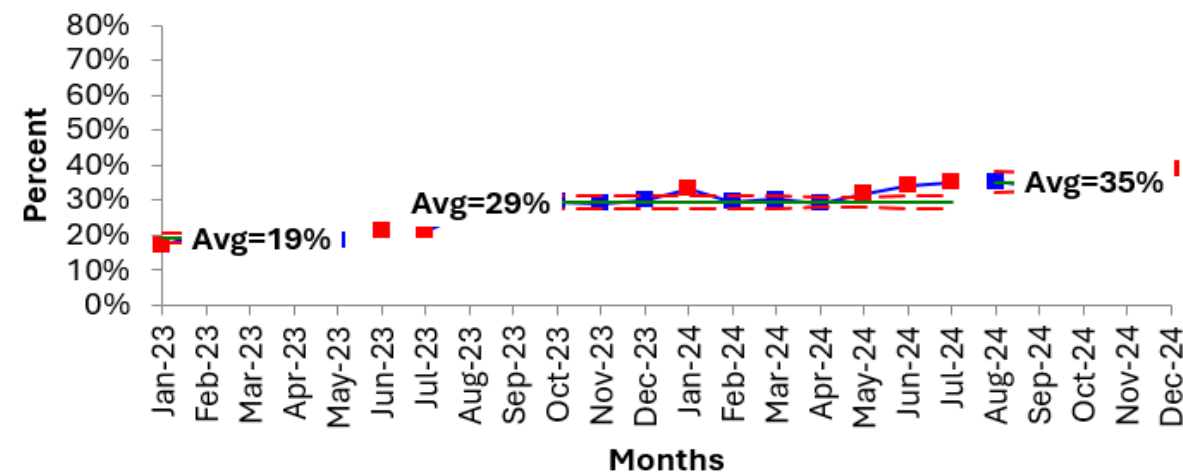
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Upcoming PDSA Cycles

- Follow up with RD CDCES' use of the CGM handout
- Continuous Glucose Monitoring in-service for all BMC dietitians
- New monthly CGM classes
 - CGM basics
 - CGM & Nutrition



Lessons Learned

- **Involve the broader community**
 - Including patient perspectives early helped identify several interventions
 - What is obvious or easy for one person may not be to another
 - Others may have interest in involvement and skills to contribute!
- **Data collection and review can help target interventions**
 - BMC QI Hub essential to gathering data as data mapping not yet complete at BMC
- **One step at a time**
 - Avoids overwhelming people and resources and builds momentum
- **Shared resources**
 - Iteration and adaptation can help fit interventions to context