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Healthcare system performs significant tasks in society, and thus needs to be taken with full considerations. Although many countries in the world are working to ensure access to health care to all individuals, they are faced with increased medical care costs, variations in patient demographics, market changes, changing consumer prospects and intricate health and technology structures. This makes the healthcare organization with no option but to capitalize on value-based care through innovative delivery models. Through innovative care models hospitals can prepare for uncertainty and develop smart healthcare services. Furthermore, innovative care models have several components that make it a success and revolves around the community, health providers and healthcare systems (Desebbe et al., 2016).

One of the components is patient-centered medical homes which aim to provide care to patients in a coordinated approach. In this element individuals are required to see their primary care providers receive care anytime they will require it and in a way that they will understand. This component is characterized by inclusive and synchronized care, patient-centeredness and availability of services.

Another component is Accountable Care Organizations (ACO) which is a collection of physicians and hospitals who cooperate to willingly provide consistently high-quality care to their medicate patients. Therefore, while physicians and health care organizations have a responsibility to maintain the health of their patients, they must offer better care for Medicare individuals hence saving finances for physicians and patients, at the same time regulating waste in the Medicare system (Kimball et al., 2007). Bundled payment is another component of an innovative care model because it aims to increase the efficiency and quality of care as well as reducing cost. Normally, the service is based on the compensation of physicians grounded on

expected costs regarding clinically defined episodes of care. Since patients may be treated by physicians and hospitals, bundled payment ensures that all episodes of care are paid together to the hospital hence creating inducements for hospitals and physicians to unite and enhance proficiency in care delivery.

Both Affordable Care Act (ACA) and health care reform have played an important role in development of innovative care models. According to Guterman et al. (2010), ACA was dedicated to the initiative as it provided ten billion dollars every decade to finance Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation. The centre has engaged in the creating of payment together with delivery system reform such as ACOs, primary care initiatives and bundled payments. Healthcare reform has also worked to ensure many individuals are insured and increased the quality of care while decreasing cost (Huntingto et al., 2011). Patient-centred medical home transforms primary care and ensures every team brings their expertise together hence increasing quality and reducing cost as physicians and hospitals will have to work together. As a result, ACOs reduce waste in the Medicare system saving on cost and increases quality through physician-centred care.

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