Essential Elements to Health Care Transformation for the Common Good

Putting Patients First

Vision Statement. We believe advancing health means putting patients first and stewarding finite resources for the common good. Our nation's health care system must continue to transform so that high-quality, equitable and affordable care is accessible to all.

Who We Are. As a mission-driven, faith-based organization, Trinity Health has been meeting the needs of our communities for 125 years. We are a not-for-profit health system, committed to working in neighborhoods and across populations to provide acute and preventive care that improves the health of the communities we serve for the long run.

Call to Action. We believe all participants in the healthcare ecosystem share a responsibility to advance affordable, accessible care for all. We call on executive leaders, Congress, state legislators and other officeholders to boldly drive system transformation for the common good through these essential elements.

Access to Coverage and Care

We envision equitable access to whole person care. The common good is achieved when:

- **All communities thrive** because everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible.
- Communities have peace of mind that their not-for-profit health systems will continue to meet the 24/7, 365 needs of all who walk in their doors because **Medicare and Medicaid financing is predictable and sustainable**.
- **Care teams design and deliver seamless care across the continuum** including primary care, hospital care, long-term care, rehabilitation, behavioral health, and wellness; care that bridges clinical and social needs.
- **Innovation in payment and delivery is evidenced** with improved health outcomes and technology enabled care teams.
- **The health care workforce is resilient** and has access to career pathways and innovative care delivery supports.
- **All patients benefit from provider-led, value-based care models** where care is integrated across the continuum, and the need for acute care decreased.
- **Patients and their clinicians make health care decisions**, not health insurers.

Affordability

We envision care coordinated across all settings with providers working together to ensure every person receives the right care, at the right time, in the right setting. The common good is achieved when:

- **Working families have access to Medicaid**, or other health insurance programs, that fit in their budgets.
- **Waste is addressed and patients are empowered** with information on healthy lifestyles, out-of-pocket costs, and effectiveness of treatments.
- **Patient's hard-earned premium contributions are kept in the health care ecosystem** and spent on patient care, not redirected to excessive profits for commercial health plans, pharmaceutical and device companies.
- **Patients receive timely care** because commercial insurers no longer saddle patients with abusive red tape, nor delay payment to providers.
- **The cost of prescription drugs is reduced** by more investment in U.S. manufacturing, and protecting critical discount drug programs.
- **Providers are incentivized to collaborate and provide coordinated, seamless care** to all populations, and private equity no longer cherry-picks the most lucrative service lines.
- **Providers take accountability for total cost of care and outcomes** for all patients.

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