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Camden Coalition's multidisciplinary Camden Core Model highlighted in new National Academy of Medicine report on the future of nursing

CAMDEN, NJ - In a new report released by the National Academy of Medicine and sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation entitled "The Future of Nursing 2020 – 2030: Charting a Path to Achieve Health Equity," the Camden Coalition's Camden Core Model is noted as "an exemplar of the kind of multidisciplinary, multisector efforts that will be necessary to address the complex needs of individuals and communities, and make a lasting impact by eliminating health disparities, with the goal of achieving health equity." The report details priorities and recommendations for the nursing profession over the next decade.

The Camden Core Model pairs interprofessional care management teams with individuals who have patterns of high hospital utilization, chronic medical conditions, and complex social needs. Under this model, care management teams that include a nurse, social worker, and community health worker work with patients to coordinate their care and meet their self-defined goals. The Camden Core Model is among a number of interventions designed by the Camden Coalition to address the needs of people who experience medical, behavioral health, and social challenges.

"We are honored to have our work highlighted in the 'Future of Nursing' report as a way to achieve health equity," Camden Coalition CEO Kathleen Noonan said. "Through our experience working with individuals in Camden as well as nationally, we see the need for cross-sector, collaborative approaches to help individuals with complex health and social needs achieve better health and well-being."

Also in the report is a feature on the work of Lauran Hardin MSN, CNL, FNAP, FAAN, a senior advisor at the Camden Coalition's National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs. Earlier in her career, Hardin worked with system leaders to implement the "Complex Care Center Model" at Mercy Health Saint Mary's in Grand Rapids, Michigan and in the Trinity Health System across multiple states. With colleagues from Camden's National Center, Hardin's model was adapted for the Adventist Health System in California and Regional One Health in Memphis, Tennessee. The "Complex Care Center Model" focuses on cross-sector, patient-centered care management that has been shown to reduce emergency department use, hospitalizations, lengths of stay, and costs, and increase primary care visits, stable housing, and healthcare coverage.

"I am so proud of the work that has been done at institutions across the country to create a whole-person approach to care," Hardin said. "Through my work with the Camden Coalition's National Center, I hope to continue sharing best practices and helping engaged members of the profession build a value case to garner support from the c-suite for implementing this model in their communities."

About the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers

We are a multidisciplinary nonprofit working to improve care for people with complex health and social needs in Camden, NJ, and across the country. The Camden Coalition works to advance the field of complex care by implementing person-centered programs and piloting new models that address chronic illness and social barriers to health and well-being. Supported by a robust data infrastructure, cross-sector convening, and shared learning, our community-based programs deliver better care to the most vulnerable individuals in Camden and regionally.

Through our National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs (National Center), the Camden Coalition works to build the field of complex care across the country. Launched in 2016, the National Center exists to inspire people to join the complex care community, connect complex care practitioners with each other, and support the field with tools and resources that move the field of complex care forward.