

An Aging Nation: Innovations and Research in Healthcare and Communities

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Overview of the 4Ms Framework
Examples from Implementers and Researchers
A few personal Stories from All of Us
All Teach All Learn





After the presentation, learners will be able to:

- 1. Describe two ways that Age-Friendly Health Systems improves selected health outcomes in older adults
- 2. Explain how Age-Friendly Health Systems implementation research may improve workflow for point-of-care teams and across settings
- 3. Discuss at least one way in which Age-Friendly Health Systems and Age-Friendly Communities can integrate and align initiative goals and outcomes.

It's about leadership...



Key Take-Aways from Today

- Research on Age-Friendly Health Systems (AFHS) and communities provides evidence and a framework for quality improvement, with people of all ages and across settings
- ➤ Interprofessional teams are essential to AFHS implementation, to promoting positive outcomes, and to preventing adverse events especially during care transitions
- > Those teams need champions they need leaders



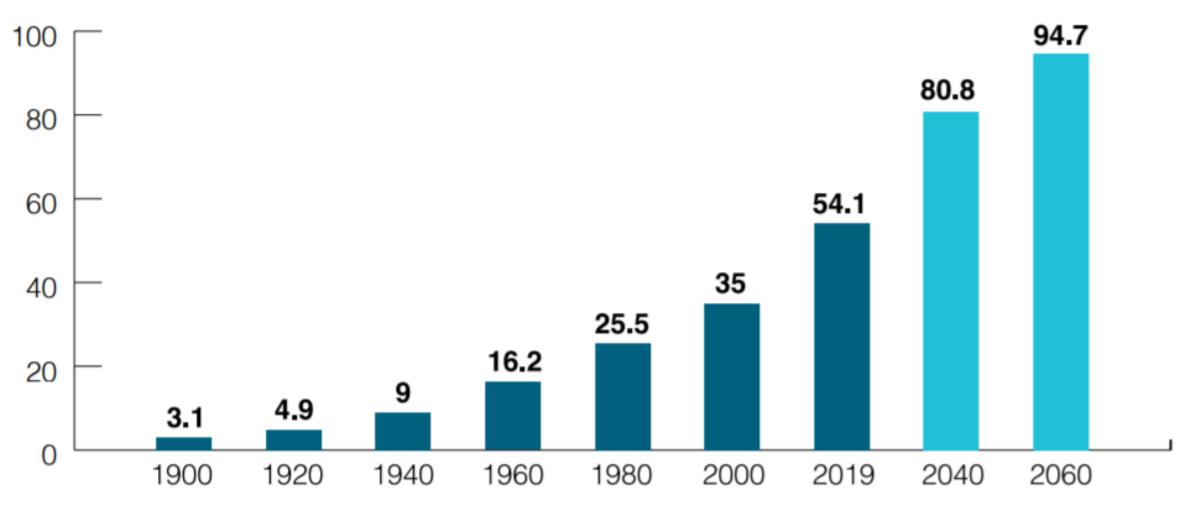
So, what will it take for **YOU** to be the leader and champion for Age-Friendly Health Systems in your health setting and community?

Planning for the Future: We Need Age-Friendly Solutions



- Demography: # of older adults is rapidly growing and becoming more diverse
- Complexity: multiple chronic conditions, dementia, disability, social isolation, social determinants of health
- Disproportionate Harm:
 higher rates of health care related harm, discoordination,
 poor preparation for disasters

Number of Persons Age 65 and Older, 1900 - 2060 (numbers in millions)



Note: Increments in years are uneven. Lighter bars (2040 and 2060) indicate projections.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates and Projections

Evidence-Based Care Not Reliably

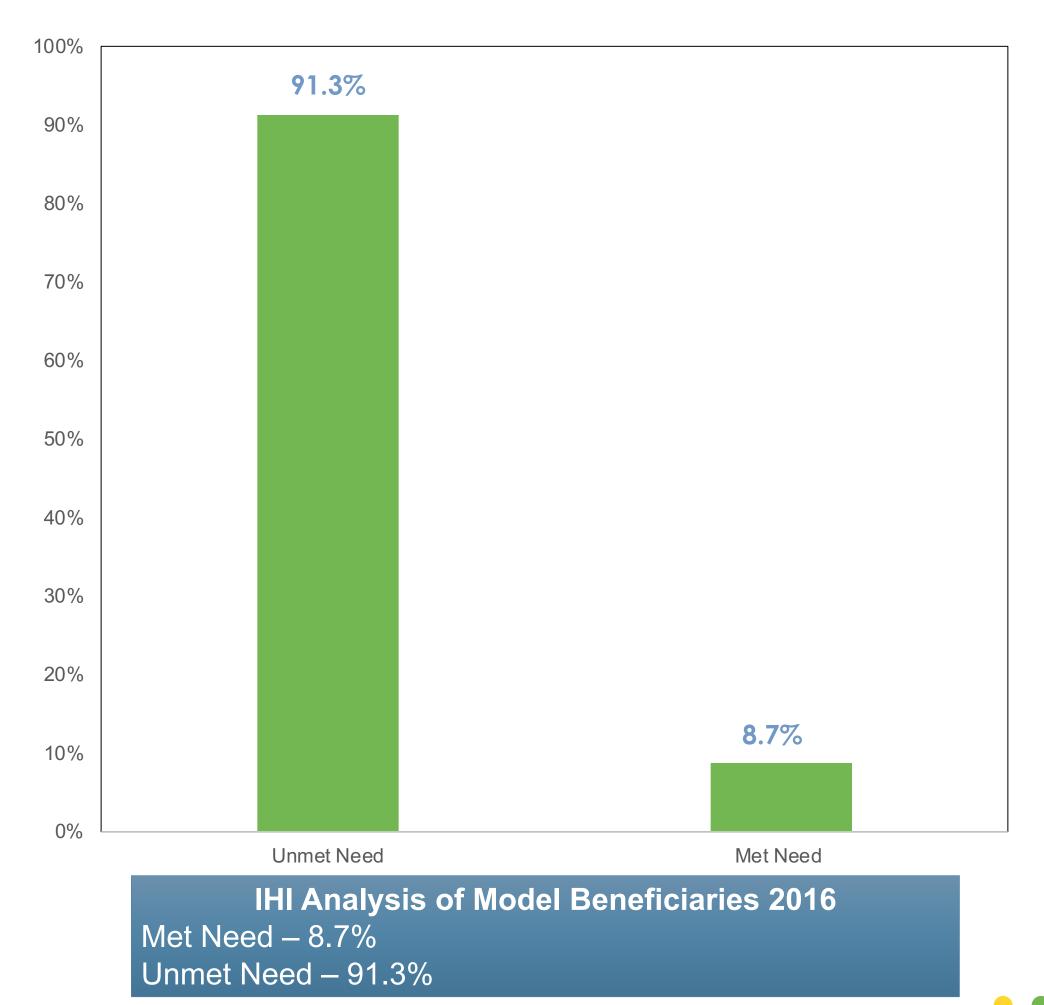


Model Beneficiaries

 We have lots of evidence-based geriatric-care models of care that have proven very effective

Applied

- Yet, most reach only a portion of those who could benefit
 - Difficult to disseminate and scale
 - Difficult to reproduce in settings with fewer resources
 - May not translate across care settings





Age-Friendly Health Systems

Our aim: Build a movement so *all* care with older adults is equitable age-friendly care:

- Guided by an essential set of evidencebased practices (4Ms)
- Causes no harms
- Is consistent with What Matters to older adults and their care partners

Fulmer, T., Mate, K. S., & Berman, A. (2018). The age-friendly health system imperative. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 66(1), 22-24.



Age-Friendly: Review of Evidence Resulted in the 4Ms

Methods: Reviewed 17 care models with level 1 or 2a evidence of impact for model features

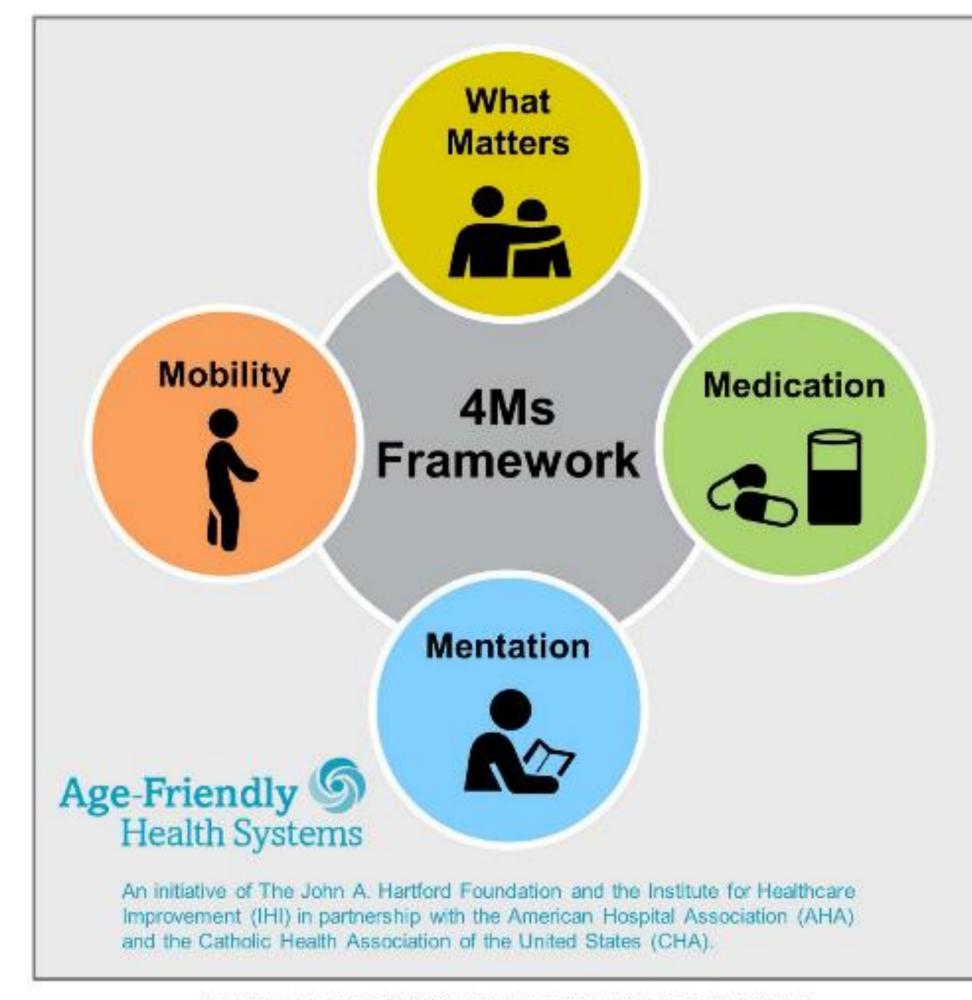
90 care features identified in pre-work

Redundant concepts removed and 13 discrete features found by IHI team

Expert Meeting led to the selection of the "vital few": the 4Ms

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The 4Ms of Age-Friendly Care



What Matters

Know and align care with each older adult's specific health outcome goals and care preferences including, but not limited to, end-of-life care, and across settings of care.

Medication

If medication is necessary, use Age-Friendly medication that does not interfere with What Matters to the older adult, Mobility, or Mentation across settings of care.

Mentation

Prevent, identify, treat, and manage dementia, depression, and delirium across settings of care.

Mobility

Ensure that older adults move safely every day in order to maintain function and do What Matters.



Why the 4Ms?

- Represents core health issues for older adults
- Builds on strong evidence base
- Simplifies and reduces implementation and measurement burden on systems while increasing effect
- Components are synergistic and reinforce one another



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Assess

Know about the 4Ms for each older adult in your care

Age-Friendly Health Systems

The 4Ms: What Matters, Medication, Mentation, Mobility

Act On

Incorporate the 4Ms into the plan of care

A Goal Met and a Growing Movement!

Age-Friendly Health Systems

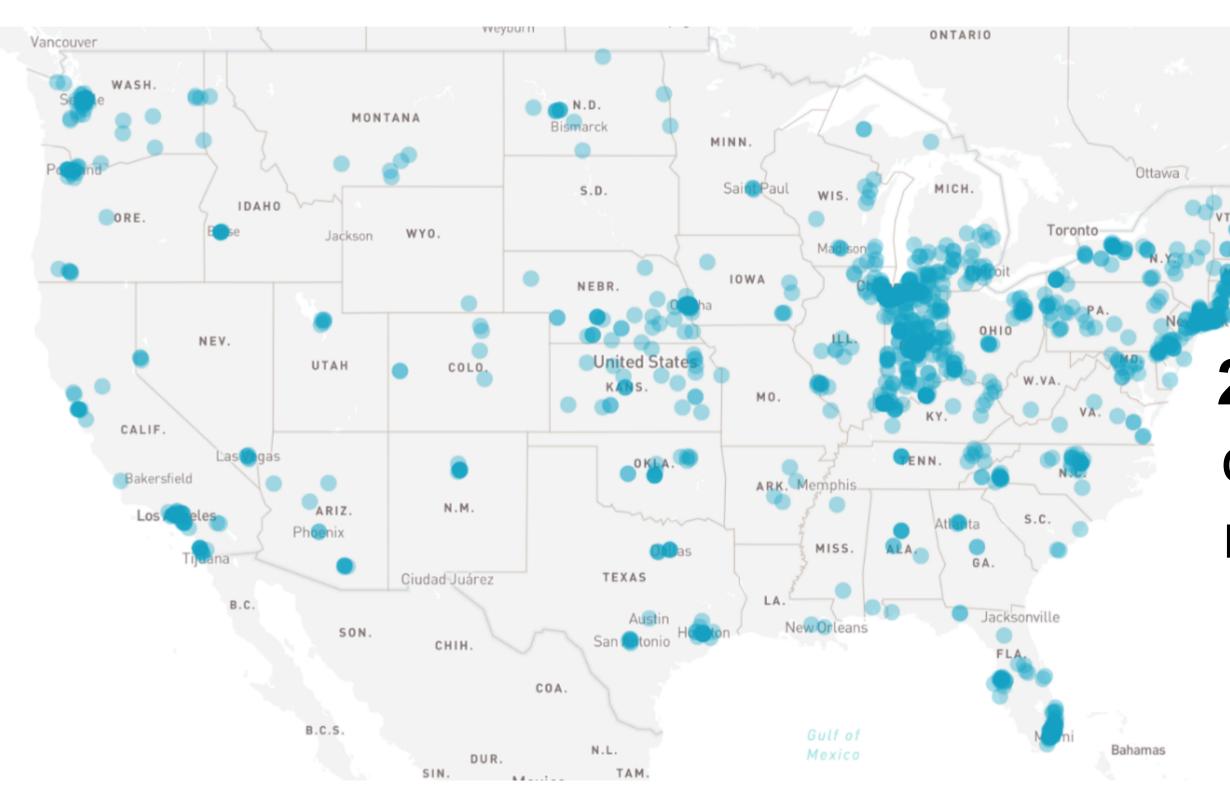
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Our 1st Goal:
Spread to
1,000 sites by
end of 2020

Goal Achieved!

Next Goal:
Spread to
2,600 sites by
June 2023

Goal Achieved!



2,900+ hospitals, practices, convenient care clinics and nursing homes have joined the movement!

(and growing globally)

As of October 2022

Vermont in the Age-Friendly Health Systems Movement



3 hospitals, medical practices, convenient care clinics, and/or nursing homes in Vermont have joined Age-Friendly Health Systems movement!

Participating sites include:

- Grace Cottage Family Health
- Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital
- University of Vermont Appletree Bay Primary Care



As of September 2022



> J Aging Health. 2021 Feb 8;898264321991658. doi: 10.1177/0898264321991658. Online ahead of print.

Evidence for the 4Ms: Interactions and Outcomes across the Care Continuum

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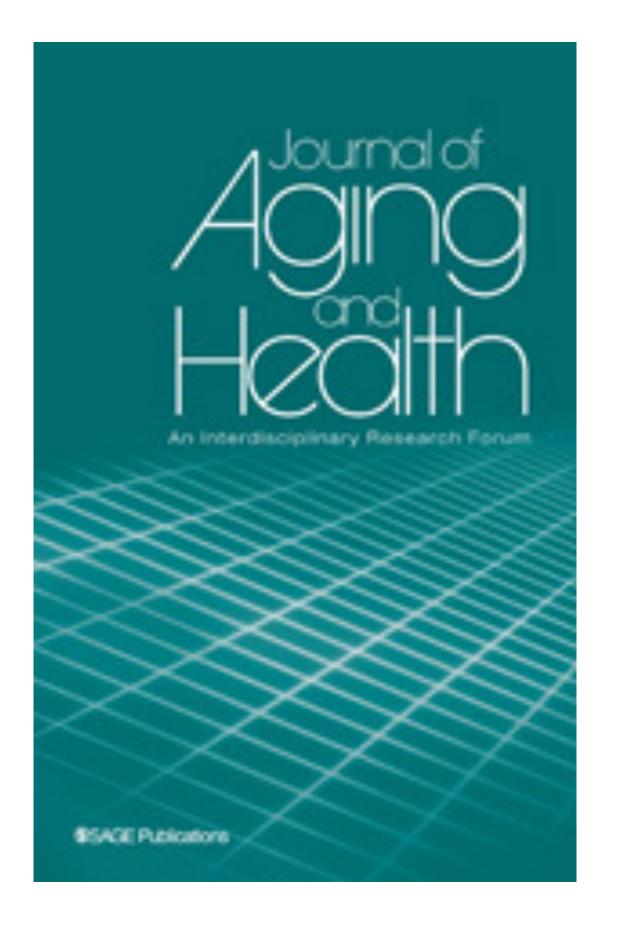
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Abstract

Objectives: An expert panel reviewed and summarized the literature related to the evidence for the 4Ms-what matters, medication, mentation, and mobility-in supporting care for older adults. **Methods:** In 2017, geriatric experts and health system executives collaborated with the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) to develop the 4Ms framework. Through a strategic search of the IHI database and recent literature, evidence was compiled in support of the framework's positive clinical outcomes. **Results:** Asking what matters from the outset of care planning improved both psychological and physiological health statuses. Using screening protocols such as the Beers' criteria inhibited overprescribing. Mentation strategies aided in prevention and treatment. Fall risk and physical function assessment with early goals and safe environments allowed for safe mobility. **Discussion:** Through a framework that reduces cognitive load of providers and improves the reliability of evidence-based care for older adults, all clinicians and healthcare workers can engage in age-friendly care.

Keywords: goal-directed care; quality; safety.

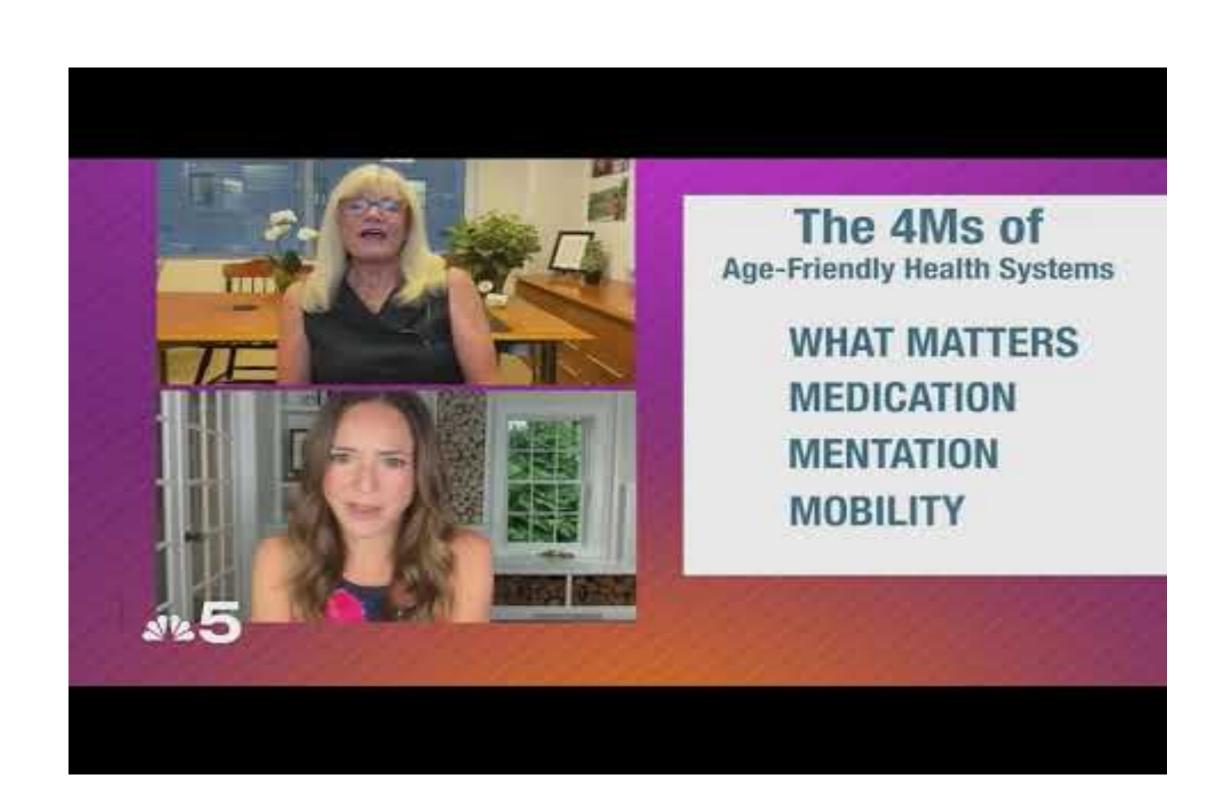






Age-Friendly Care – Helping Consumers Understand the 4Ms - NBC





NBC Universal/Telemundo video segment at:

johnahartford.org/agefriendly

See WebMD.com/agefriendly for additional consumer info



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Age-Friendly Health System MeasuresAll Measures to be Stratified by Age, Race, and Ethnicity



Access to Care (Community):

- Count of older adults who receive care (numerator)
- Count of 65+ population in capture region (denominator)

Access to 4Ms in the Health System:

- Count of older adults whose care includes the 4Ms (numerator)
- Count of older adults who receive care (denominator)

Process Measures:

- What Matters:
 - ACP documentation
 - What Matters documentation
- Medication:
 - Presence of any of 7 high-risk medications
- Mentation: screened for
 - Depression
 - Dementia
 - Delirium
- Mobility: screened for mobility

Outcome Measures:

- 30-day readmissions
- HCAHPS/CG-CAHPS,
 NH-CAHPS
- Length of stay
- ED utilization
- Delirium





Equity & Age-Friendly Health Systems

- Equity Task Force formed in 2020, began with measures and data collection
- Age-Friendly Health Systems participants now recording racial/ethnic breakdown of populations
- Linking collection of racial/ethnic data to quality measures, e.g., 30-day readmissions, length of stay, ED utilization, older adult experience
- Analyzing outcomes stratified by race/ethnicity
- Taking actions to address disparate outcomes





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www.healthaffairs.org/do/10.1377/hauthor20130227.744848/full



Results and Impact: A Few Examples from Implementers



CVS Health

Integrated AFHS and the 4Ms into older adult visits across their **1,100 Minute Clinic** locations nationwide (scale and spread)

Baystate Health

40% increase in meaningful changes to treatment plans due to asking "What Matters to you"



Case Study: Examples of Interventions



Organizational Background

- 1) Teaching hospital with 1100+ beds
- 2) 3rd largest public hospital in the US
- 3) 2008 Acute Care for Elders (ACE) launch began emphasizing age-friendly

4Ms Focused Interventions

What Matters	Medication	Mentation	Mobility
 workflow issues—how to integrate conversations about all health outcome goals/preferences began experiment by having ACE coordinator ask patients What Matters and documenting in notes, with different ways of phrasing questions being piloted 	 created flags for high-risk medications to pop up in EHR with suggested alternatives ACE units have daily team meetings including pharmacists to review meds and find opportunities for deprescribing expanded by partnering with surgical service teams to examine order sets for high-risk medications partnered with organization in Wisconsin to facilitate higher volume of EHR review 	 previously developed effective system to screen for delirium, each unit has a delirium toolkit with items for cognitive stimulation 	 Plan-Do-Study-Act cycles in place since 2016 created mobility dashboard for units to track progress with NICHE coordinators providing intensive coaching for pilot unit staff to embed age-friendly care into workflows hired mobility techs with sole purpose to mobilize people "move and groove" events with music therapists every week

Examples of Outcomes





Outcomes of Age-Friendly Interventions

- 16% increase in hospitalized older adults getting up from bed to a chair
 - 15% increase in those walking in the hall
- 5% decrease positive delirium screens overall
 - 10% decrease for post-intervention medical patients
- 26% decrease in BEERS medications under new orders for urogynecology and gynecology-oncology surgical units

Lessons Learned

- Don't tell stakeholders what to do, ask them what they need
- Make it easy to do the right thing by integrating age-friendly care into workflows effectively
- Understand AFHS implementation as a continuous process with need for regular evaluation

Case Study: Examples of Interventions



Organizational Background

 Includes Stanford Hospital, outpatient clinics in Redwood City & Palo Alto, Stanford South Bay Cancer Center, primary care offices throughout Bay Area, and virtual services

4Ms Focused Interventions

Screening	EHR Integration	Pilot ACE Unit	Geriatric Trauma Pathway
 shifted to interdisciplinary screening: nursing focus on Mentation rehab focus on Mobility geriatrics focus on Medication and What Matters within 24hrs of admission 	 enhanced EHR based on 4Ms to be scaled across the SHC system focus on pain evaluation/management, sleep promotion, bowel regimen (what is modifiable) 	 piloted interventions informed by 4Ms interdisciplinary rounds volunteer-driven visitor program 	 formalized from ED admission to discharge; goal to implement 4Ms care further upstream of older adult's care journey steering committee formed to include Patient and Family Advisory Council members, clinicians, to co-design each phase of hospital and discharge experience dashboard for geriatric trauma allowed measurement of work and validation of quality governance structure in development to scale up implementation across SHC network

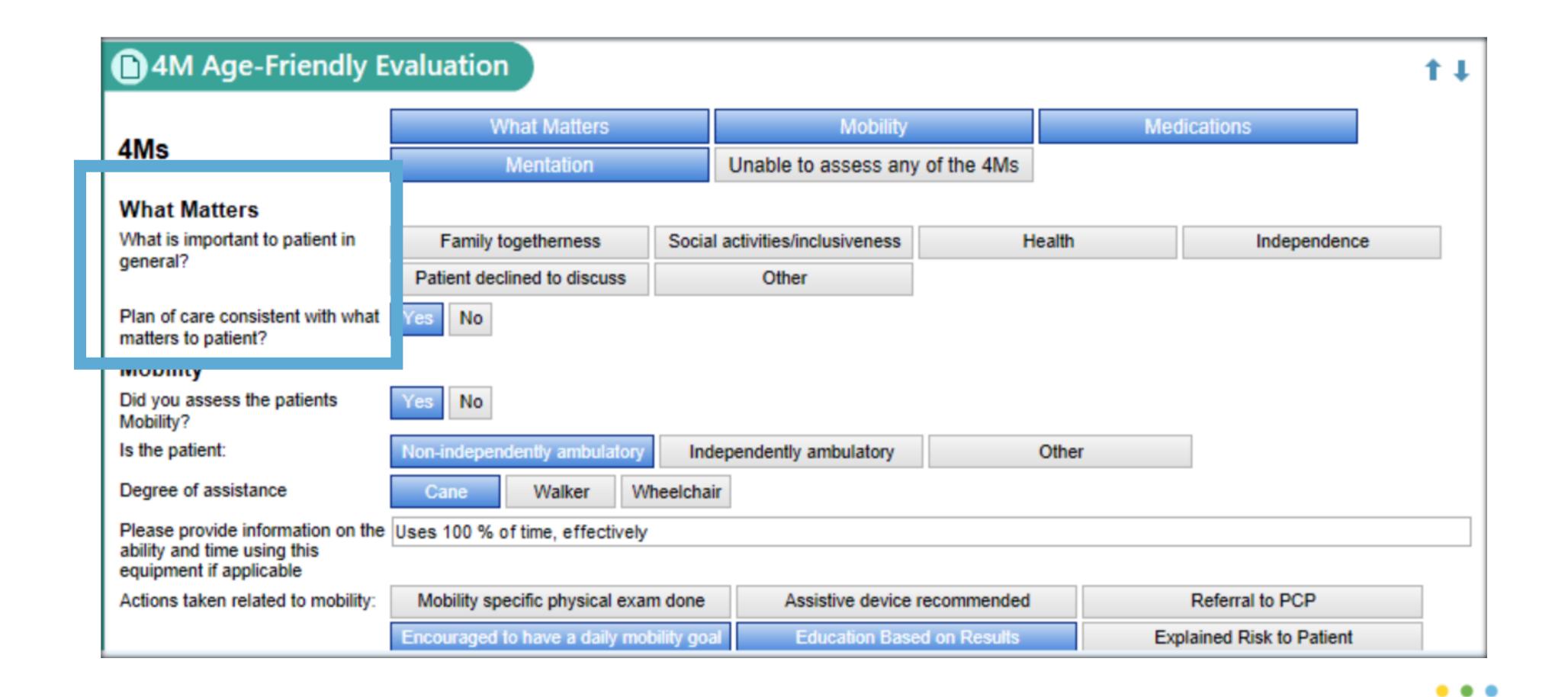
EHR Integration – Example from Convenient Care Clinics



Building 4Ms into EPIC EHR







Outcomes: Examples





Outcomes of Age-Friendly Interventions

- Between FY 2017-2019:
 - Length of stay decreased by 10%
 - Mortality decreased by 3.3%
 - Time to 1st goals of care and advance care planning conversation decreased by 28 hours (>50%)
 - Average time to first mobilization decreased by 50%
 - HCAHPS patient experience score increased by 18.6 pts (32%)
 - Delirium incidence decreased by 8%

Lessons Learned

- Starting with What Matters informs other Ms
- 4Ms as valuable teaching tool for all care staff, older adults, care partners (families)
- Engage key stakeholders in achieving EHR integration
- Have patience with progress (another theme)

Case Study: Examples of Interventions



Organizational Background

- 1) Accountable Care Organization serving >1 million people in MD & DC
- 2) Established Acute Care of the Elderly (ACE) unit in 2013

4Ms Focused Interventions

What Matters	Medication	Mentation	Mobility
 flow sheet in EHR whiteboards, visible displays of older adults' values wellness visits structured around 4Ms (reimbursed by Medicare) 	 EHR incorporates updated Beers Criteria auto-generates a CP2 score for higher med assessment needs more general awareness and consideration before prescribing 	 Brief Confusion Assessment Method (bCAM) delirium screening Qs into EHR group/diversion activities facilitate hydration with easier-to-use water cups ceased 4AM vitals check to aid sleeping ACErcize, animal therapy 	 mobility/quality tech ensures older adults move every day ACErcize removing bedpans to encourage getting out of bed adapted falls committee into safe mobility committee that gives mobility scorecards mobility contest with prizes





Outcomes of Age-Friendly Interventions

- Reduced 30-day all-cause readmission rates in 3 months
 - By 7.8% for 65-84 year olds and 22% for 85+ year olds
- Increased mobility
 - By 16.7% for 65-84 year olds, 25.5% for 85+ year olds

Lessons Learned

- Starting with What Matters informs other Ms (a theme)
- Older adults are socially as well as clinically complex
 - No intervention is 'one size fits all'
- Engage IT analysis at the start, utilizing community and external resources
 - Appropriate data collection is key to measuring impact
- Positive trends and progress motivate other team members

What did all of those leaders do?

Become a Mentor

Find a Mentor



MEMBERS IN ACTION CASE STUDY

Overview

Since its launch in 2017, the Rush Center for in Aging (CEA) has pursued its mission to in the health and well-being of older adults, fa communities, aligning with the Rush Univerfor Health's (RUSH) strategic priorities. RUS is to improve the health of individuals and d communities through the integration of outs patient care, education, research and comm partnerships.

After learning about the Age-Friendly Health initiative, the CEA completed the Institute to Healthcare Improvement's (IHI) self-assessr to find current programs and practices invol-4Ms across the health system. The Age-Frie Systems initiative is an evidence-based appr focuses on the 4Ms framework — what ma medications, mentation and mobility. Althou discovered pockets of excellence and identif care teams addressing some or all of the 4N were applied consistently or broadly. There opportunities to improve and scale up these aligning with ongoing health system prioritie quality improvement and cost savings.

Recognizing the synergy of the Age-Friendly Systems initiative with RUSH's strategic pla

RUSH provides services to the Chica area and is composed of:

- Rush University Medical Center (RUN
- Rush Oak Park Hospital
- Rush Copley Medical Center
- Numerous outpatient facilities

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BUILDING AN AGE-FRIENDLY HEALTH SYSTEM AND COMMUNITY ALIGNED WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Rush University Medical Center | Chicago Illinois

Age-Friendly Health Systems | Case Study

Stanford Health Care



Background

Stanford Health Care in California encompasses the new Stanford Hospital, outpatient clinics in Redwood City and Palo Alto, the Stanford South Bay Cancer Center, and primary care offices throughout the Bay Area, as well as virtual services.

In October 2016, Stanford Health Care joined Age-Friendly Health Systems, an initiative of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) and The John A. Hartford Foundation, in partnership with the American Hospital Association and the Catholic Health Association of the United States. Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System means providing evidencebased care to older adults that reliably implements the "4Ms": What Matters, Medication, Mentation, and Mobility (see Figure 1).

The Stanford Health Care Inpatient Geriatric Medicine team has long been devoted to providing the best possible care to hospitalized older adults. They recognized that becoming an Age-Friendly Health System created an opportunity to improve reliable use of evidence-based care in their highrisk inpatient population. In addition, they realized that the innovations they piloted, if successful, could then be spread across the whole system.

For the Stanford Health Care team, being part of the national Age-Friendly Health Systems movement enabled them to:

- Access a community of experts in process improvement and other health system teams that were implementing the 4Ms to improve age-friendly
- Design and measure key processes based on the 4Ms framework; and
- Build internal support from key stakeholders and resource allocation from hospital teams of various disciplines.

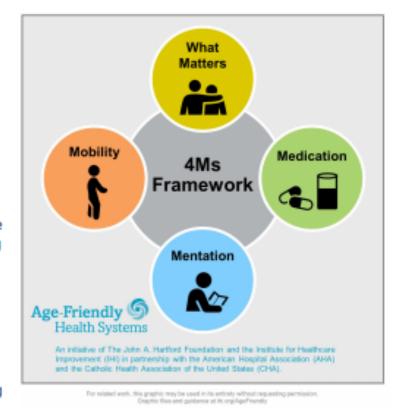


Figure 1. 4Ms Framework of an Age-Friendly Health System

Approach

Leaders selected the geriatric trauma service as the pilot site because older adults on the service tend to have high resource needs, are likely to suffer from frailty, and many have already experienced a fall. For all of these reasons, the cost of caring for the population is relatively high. As a result, this patient population seemed to offer a potentially high payoff for increasing reliable practice of the 4Ms. "It was sort of a natural synergy with our work," said Dr. Ankur Bharija. "We were working with a high-risk geriatric trauma population already, and it seemed like a natural partnership to improve the care in this population even more through the age-friendly work."

The team started by setting a measurable and time-bound goal: To improve the consistent delivery of the "4Ms care bundle" from 60 percent to 80 percent in the geriatric trauma population from November 2018 to November 2019.



- Read More About Outcomes in Case Study Examples at <a href="https://linear.com/linear.co
- Anne Arundel Medical Center Maryland and Washington, DC
- Kent Hospital Rhode Island
- MaineHealth Maine Medical Center, Portland, Maine
- MinuteClinic 1,200 locations inside CVS Pharmacy stores and CVS HealthHUBs
- Rush University Medical Center Chicago, IL
- Stanford Health Care California
- University of Alabama Hospital Alabama
- Nursing home implementation case studies

Case studies developed by AHA, IHI, nursing homes

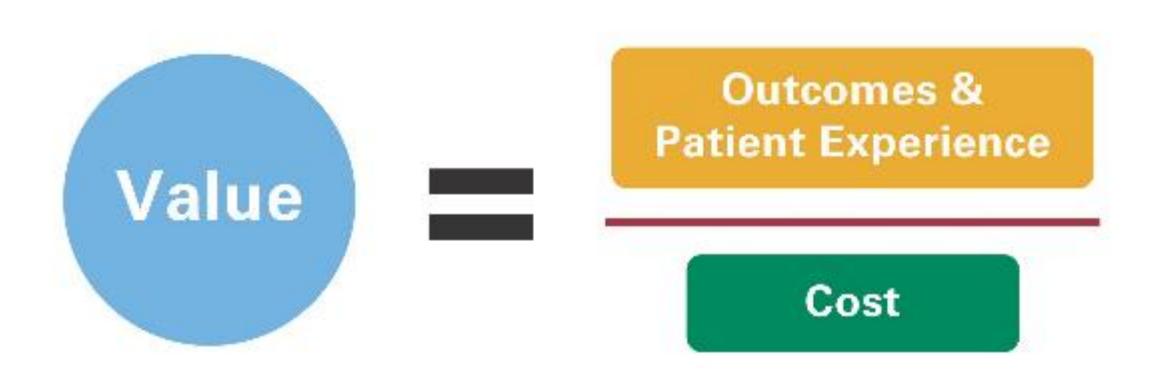


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The Value of Age-Friendly Health Systems



Catholic Health Association of the United States



- Business Case for Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System
- Inpatient ROI Calculator
- Outpatient ROI Calculator
- Issue Brief: Creating Value with Age-Friendly Health Systems



Your Conversation Starter Guide







Your Conversation Starter Guide

How to talk about what matters to you and have a say in your health care.



the **conversation** project

Helps you have 'the conversation' with the important people in your life about your – or their – wishes for care through the end of life (advance care planning).

A great resource for older adults and care partners.

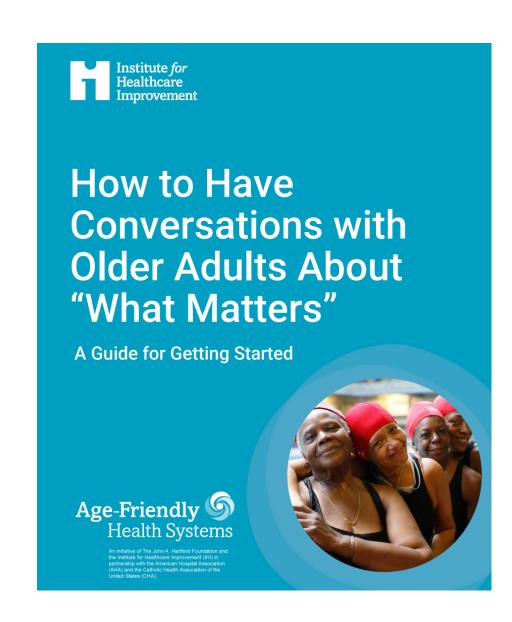
https://theconversationproject.org/get-started and https://theconversationproject.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/12/ConversationStarterGuide.pdf

New: How to Have Conversations... about What Matters



What's Inside:

- Three steps you can start using this week to build trust (current goal setting, care planning not just advance care planning)
- Suggested phrases to help you begin What Matters conversations, e.g.,: "In today's visit, I want to be sure we cover what is most important to you."
- Sample questions, e.g.,: "Is anything getting in the way of doing the activities that you would like to do?"



ihi.org/Engage/Initiatives/Age-Friendly-Health-Systems/Documents/AgeFriendlyHealthSystems_How-to-Have-Conversations-with-Older-Adults-About-What-Matters.pdf

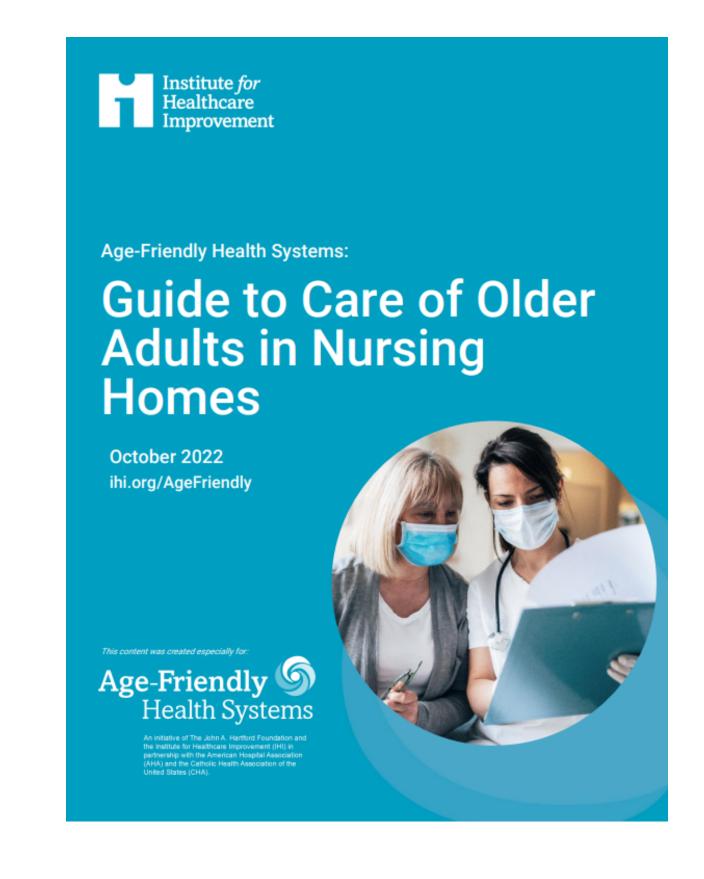
New Age-Friendly Health Systems: Guide to Care of Older Adults in Nursing Homes



Provides recommendations for implementing a series of actions system-wide (throughout the nursing home or campus)

Includes recommendations to:

- build the will for change
- communicate about the 4Ms to all residents, care partners, and staff members
- engage the entire community in promoting age-friendly care



https://241684.fs1.hubspotusercontent-na1.net/hubfs/241684/IHI-Age-Friendly-Guide-Nursing-Homes March28-2022.pdf

New Age-Friendly Health Systems: Workbook for Nursing Home Teams



Companion to Guide to Care of Older Adults in Nursing Homes

- practical and easy to use in daily practice
- includes printable worksheets that team members (including CNAs) can use to deliver 4Ms care
- developed through collaboration expert faculty; U of Pennsylvania, U of
 Pittsburgh, & Penn State Schools of
 Nursing; four pioneering Teaching Nursing
 Homes; and ten pilot nursing homes



Age-Friendly Health Systems:

A Workbook for Nursing

Home Teams

A Companion Resource to the

Age-Friendly Health Systems: Guide to Care of Older Adults in Nursing Homes

This content was created especially for:





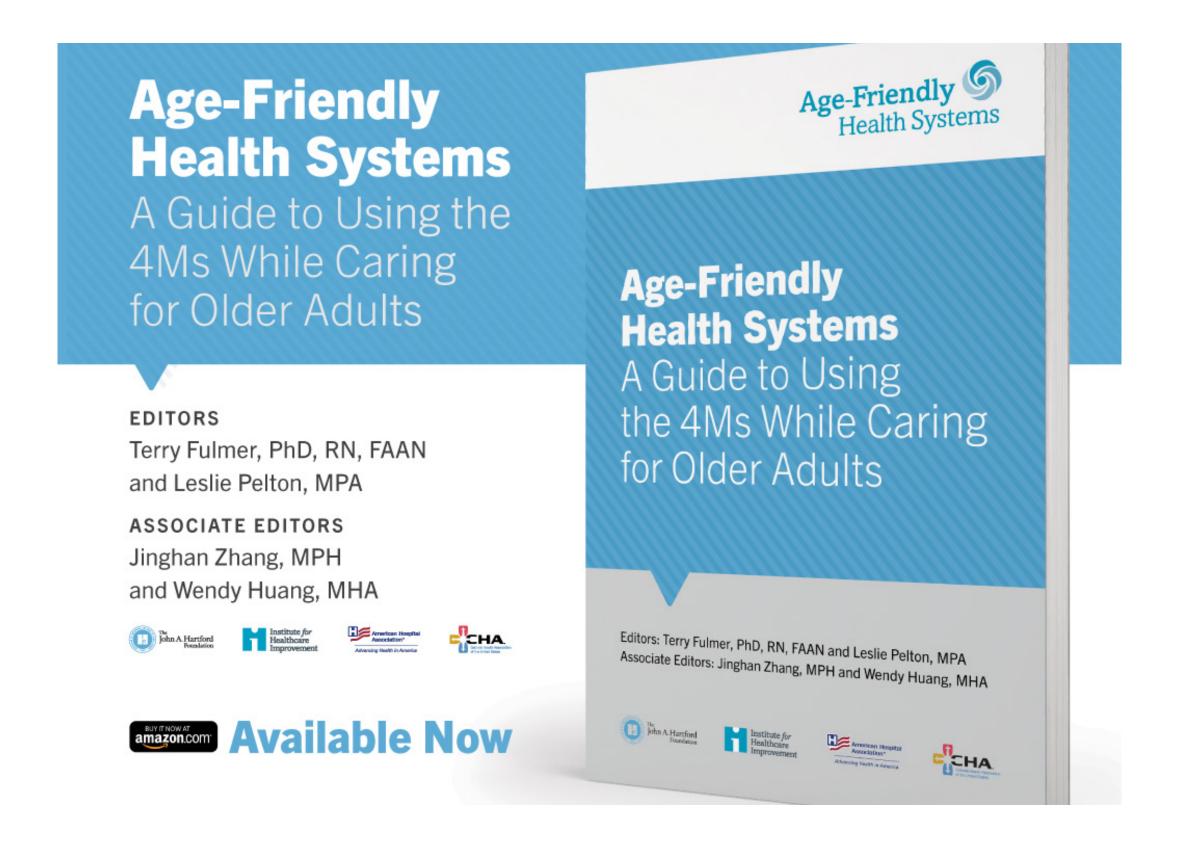
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Guide to Using the 4Ms While Caring for Older Adults



- American Hospital Association
- Institute for Healthcare Improvement
- Catholic Health Association of the United States

Tremendous partners in helping improve care for older adults





amazon.com/Age-Friendly-Health-Systems-Caring-Adults-ebook/dp/B09QPJ1DGS/ref=sr 1 11

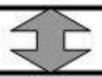


So how do we scale up Quality Improvement in Care of Older Adults?

The Model for Improvement



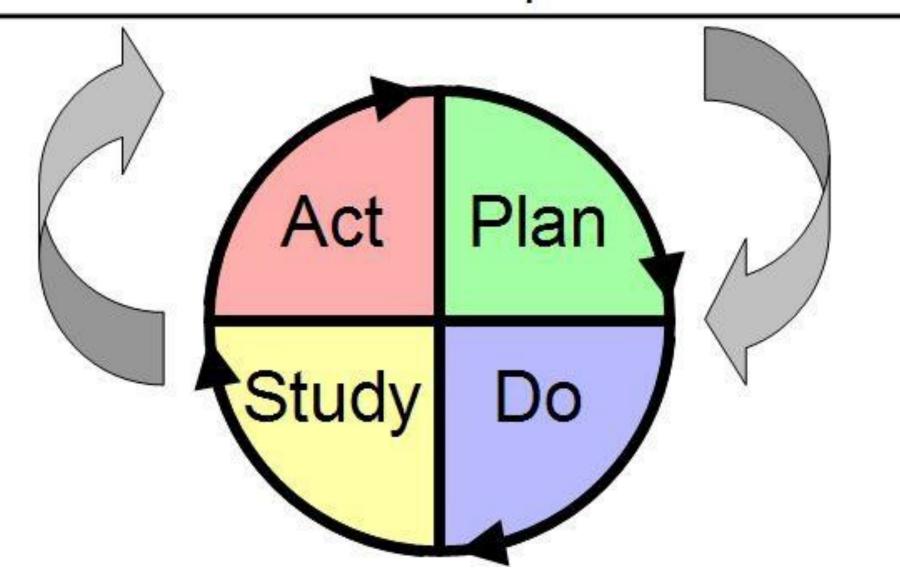
AIM: What are we trying to accomplish?



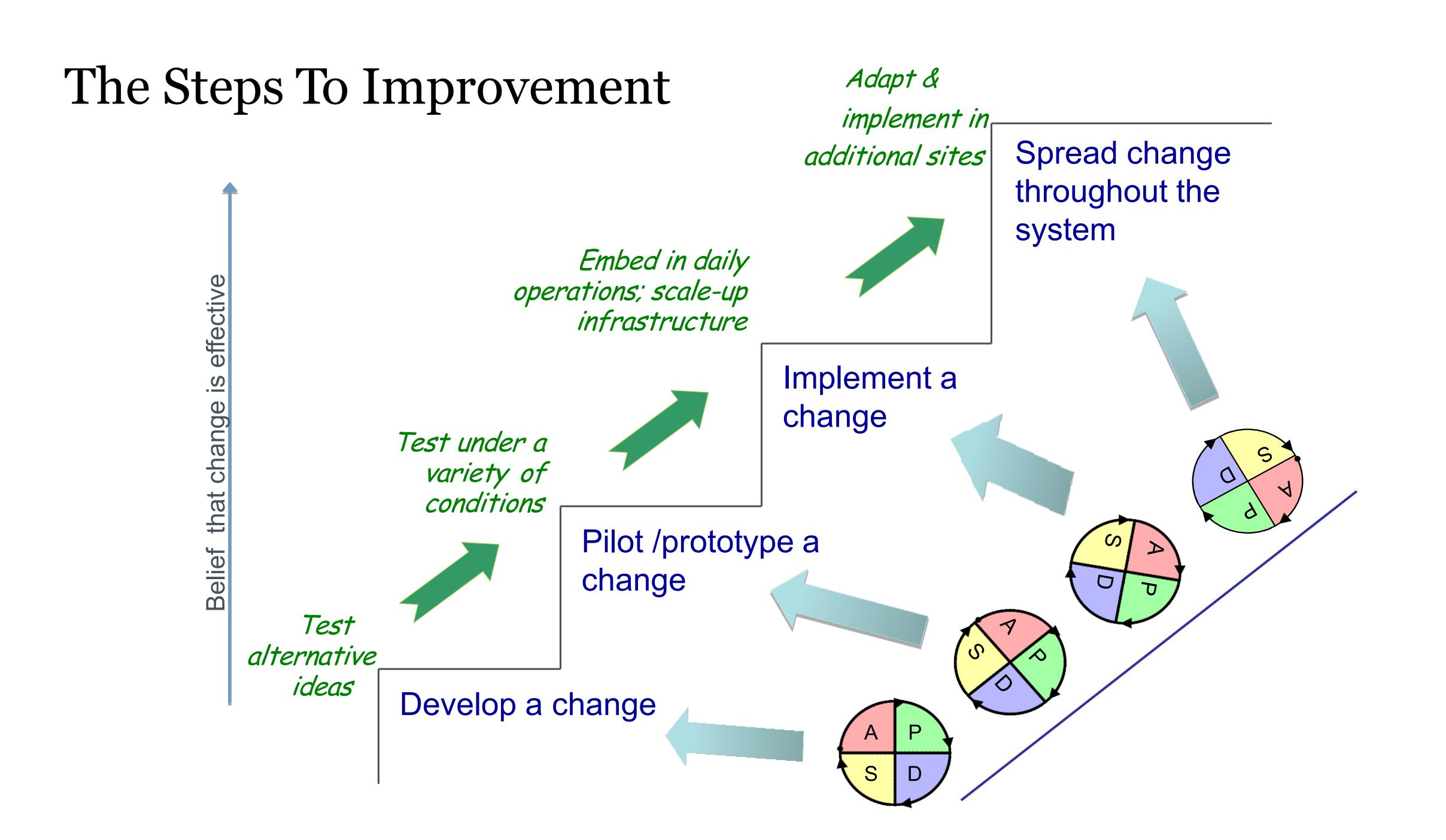
MEASURES: How will we know if a change is an improvement?



CHANGE: What changes can we make that will result in improvement?



Source: Associates in Process Improvement



Building Will



From Compliance	To Commitment
States a minimum performance standard that everyone must achieve	States a collective goal that everyone can aspire to
Uses hierarchy, systems and standard procedures for coordination and control	Based on shared goals, values and sense of purpose
Threat of penalties/sanctions/shame creates momentum for delivery	Commitment to a common purpose creates energy for delivery
Based on organizational accountability "If I don't deliver this, I fail to meet my performance objectives"	Based on relational commitment "If I don't deliver this, I let down YOU the group and our shared purpose"

Start SMALL!



- Find volunteers
- Start with one older adult; one event; one nurse; try it ONCE!
- Test small, test often
 - Daily review (huddles)
 - Weekly plan
 - 90-day goals
- Faster testing ⇒ faster learning
- Increase scale of tests as process redesign matures



Funded by The John A. Hartford Foundation, the Moving Forward Nursing Home Quality Coalition will develop and test action plans over the next two years based on the April 2022 NASEM Report recommendations on nursing home quality.

https://nap.nationalacademies.org/catalog/26526/the-national-imperative-to-improve-nursing-home-quality-honoring-our



The Time is NOW.

It is up to all of us to come together and test solutions.

Quality nursing home care is what each one of us deserves.

https://movingforwardcoalition.org/

High Impact Leadership: What Leaders Focus On to Make a Difference





Public Narrative as a Leadership Practice through which we **motivate** others to join us in **action**

- To identify shared values among diverse stakeholders
- To call others to action and keep them engaged
- To build a values-based culture that fosters commitment
- To access courage in the face of uncertainty
- To build empathy by connecting to others' stories
- To generate urgency to act in light of differences or conflict
- > To unite us as equals
- To catalyze change without reliance on formal authority

The Need for an Age-Friendly Ecosystem

A Multi-Sector Initiative to Accelerate Age-Friendly Impact

Age-friendly practitioners are doing transformational work in <u>cities and communities</u>, <u>universities</u>, <u>health</u> <u>systems</u>, the employment and <u>public health</u> sectors around the world.

We are working with partners to develop shared language that describes what it means to be age-friendly in all settings and provides a framework for cross-sector collaborative action and measurable impact.

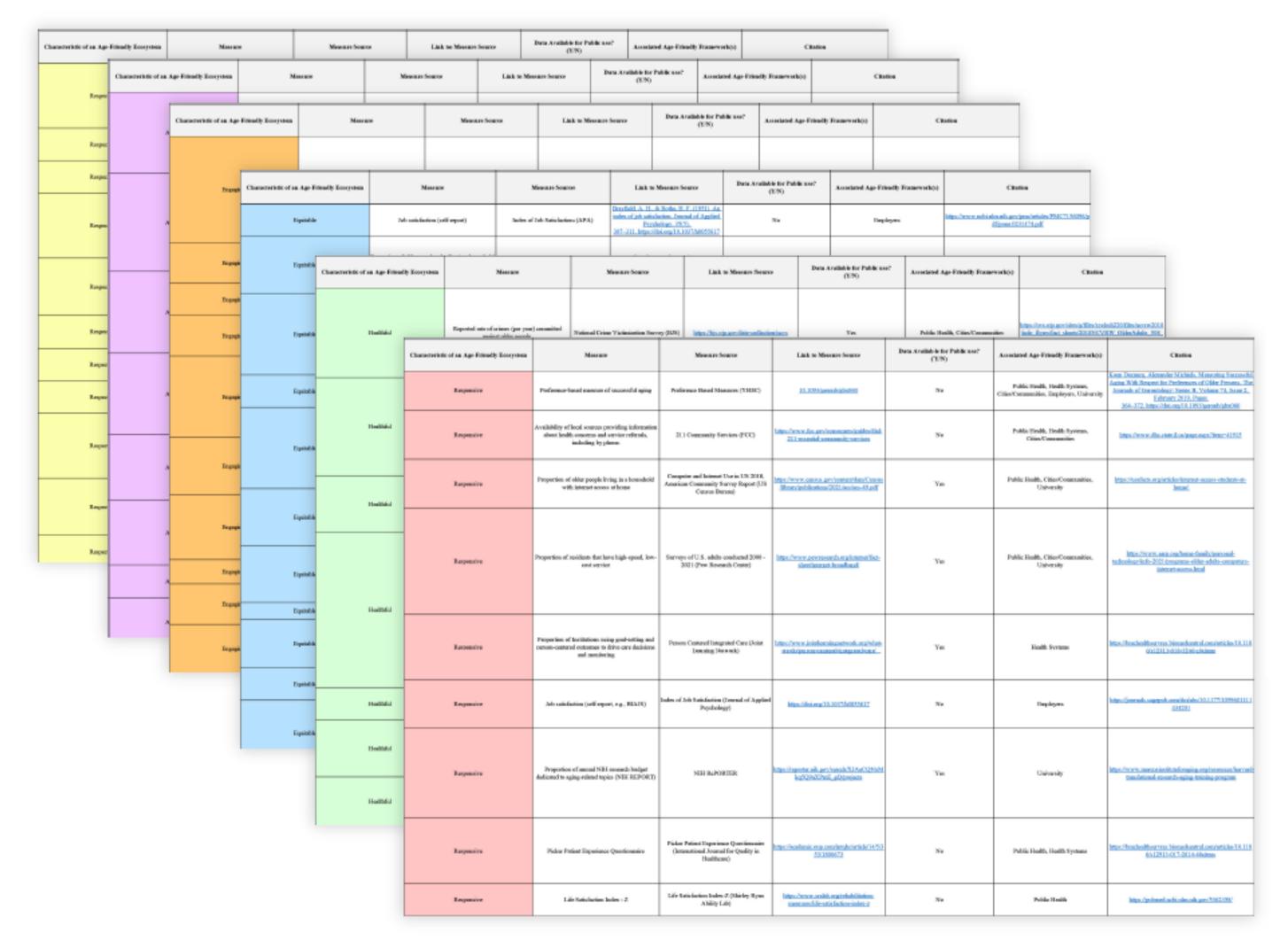
Age-Friendly Ecosystem



Learn more at agefriendlyinstitute.org

Fulmer, et al. Moving Toward a Global Age-Friendly Ecosystem, *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, July 2020

Age-Friendly Ecosystem Compendium of Measures





Connect with Other Parts of the Age-Friendly Ecosystem



- Age-Friendly Public Health Systems Trust for America's Health is helping state, local health departments better address healthy aging <u>afphs.org</u>
- Aging & Disability Institute of USAging supporting AAAs and CBOs in partnering with health systems aginganddisabilitybusinessinstitute.org
- Age-Friendly Institute <u>agefriendly.org</u> for consumers and <u>institute.agefriendly.org</u> for more on the Age-Friendly Ecosystem
- Dementia Friendly America dfamerica.org



So, what will it take for **YOU** to be the leader and champion for Age-Friendly Health Systems in your health setting and community?



Join Us!

Visit ihi.org/AgeFriendly or aha.org/AgeFriendly:

- Join an Action Community
- Access resources including the Guides to Using the 4Ms and the Business Case for Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System
- Sign up for Friends of Age-Friendly quarterly update calls
- Join the Moving Forward Coalition https://movingforwardcoalition.org/



Thank you!

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