

Successful POD to IPA Conversion

Why CareAllies?

In 2018, a group of independent primary care physicians sought to convert to an Independent Physicians Association (IPA) and chose CareAllies to manage it.

Background

Prior to forming an Independent Physicians Association (IPA), managed by CareAllies, 14 independent primary care physicians aggregated into a POD under a Cigna Medicare pay-for-quality (P4Q) contract. The POD saw relatively average STAR ratings and Annual Wellness Visit completion but was looking for improved performance.

8%

increase in
STAR Rating since
IPA conversion

32%

increase in
membership
since 2015

Approach and Results

To date, Greater Chicago Physicians IPA has continued to drive strong performance and high quality ratings in critical measures such as:

- ▶ Total cost of care (MLR (medical loss ratio))
- ▶ Reducing the number of overall hospital admissions (ADK)
- ▶ Combined STARS performance (Part C & Part D)
- ▶ Annual wellness visit completion
- ▶ Lowered readmission rates