Initiative to Reduce Potentially Avoidable Hospitalizations Among Nursing Facility Residents
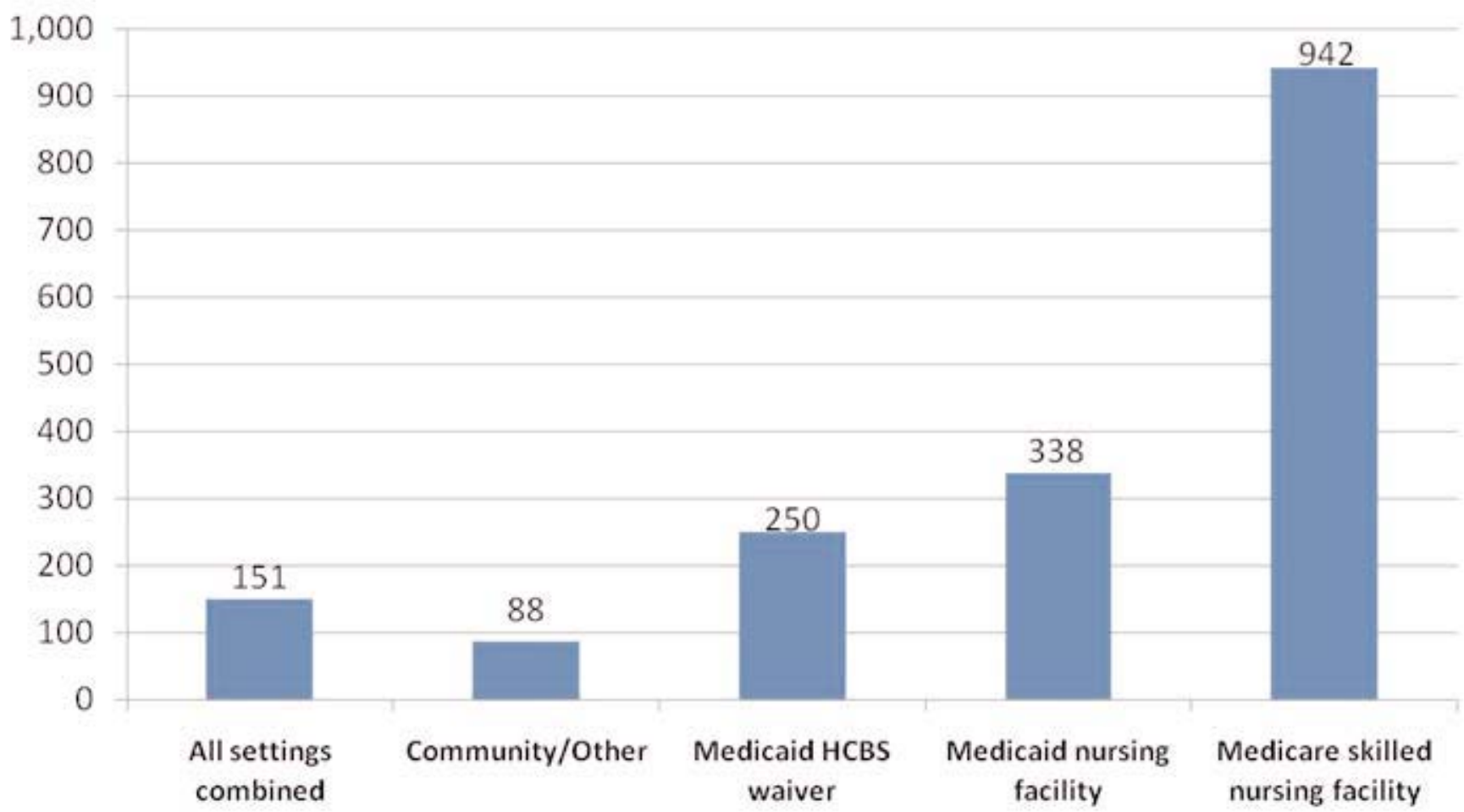
MO HealthNet Oversight Committee

April 10, 2012

Background

- CMS Estimates 25% of Hospitalizations for Dual Eligible Participants are Potentially Avoidable
- Representing 20% of Medicare Inpatient Spend
- Significant Variability by Location and by State

- Congestive Heart Failure most Common Diagnosis Overall, Pneumonia for Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Active Intervention(s) to Reduce Frequency of Potentially Avoidable Hospitalizations (PAH) in Nursing Facilities a Focus for CMS and for States

PAH Across Health Care Settings

CMS analysis Medicare and Medicaid linked file, 2005

Potentially Avoidable Hospitalizations across States
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CMS Initiative Announcement

- "Qualified Agencies or Organizations" Open to Apply, Supported by DSS and DHSS

- The Model - Onsite Activist Care and Coordination Providers Working in Cooperation with Current Staff

- Working to Implement "Preventive Services"

- Facilitate Transitions to and from Inpatient Care

- Will Coordinate and Improve Management and Monitoring of Prescription Drugs

Further Details

- Timeframe August 25, 2012 - August 24, 2016

- Nationally $128 million Funding Opportunity

- Approximately Seven Awards Anticipated, Ranging from $5 million to $30 million each

- Each Awarded Organization will enter into Cooperative Agreement with at least Fifteen Medicare- and Medicaid-certified Nursing Facilities to Implement its Intervention

Key Dates

- Intent to Apply: due to CMS by April 30, 2012

- Full application: due to CMS by June 14, 2012, including Letters of Support from DSS and DHSS

- Anticipated Notice of Award: August 24, 2012

- Cooperative Agreement Period of Performance: August 25, 2012 - August 24, 2016

Links to Further Information

- Grant Announcement can be found at:
  http://www.innovations.cms.gov/Files/x/rhnfr.pdf

- Other information, including links to recent webinars and a Fact Sheet, can be found on the main Initiative webpage:
  http://www.innovations.cms.gov/initiatives/rahnfr/index.html