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WHIO Names Dana Richardson CEO



The Wisconsin Health Information Organization (WHIO) has named Dana Richardson its new CEO. Richardson succeeds Josephine Musser who is retiring.

Richardson has been serving since April as Acting Executive Director of the non-profit PCPI® Foundation in Chicago. Her extensive experience in quality improvement strategies at the national, state and local levels, as both a health care provider and administrator, includes an eight year stint as Vice President for Quality Initiatives at the Wisconsin Hospital Association (WHA).

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November 7, 2016 - *WHIO Annual Learning Forum:*

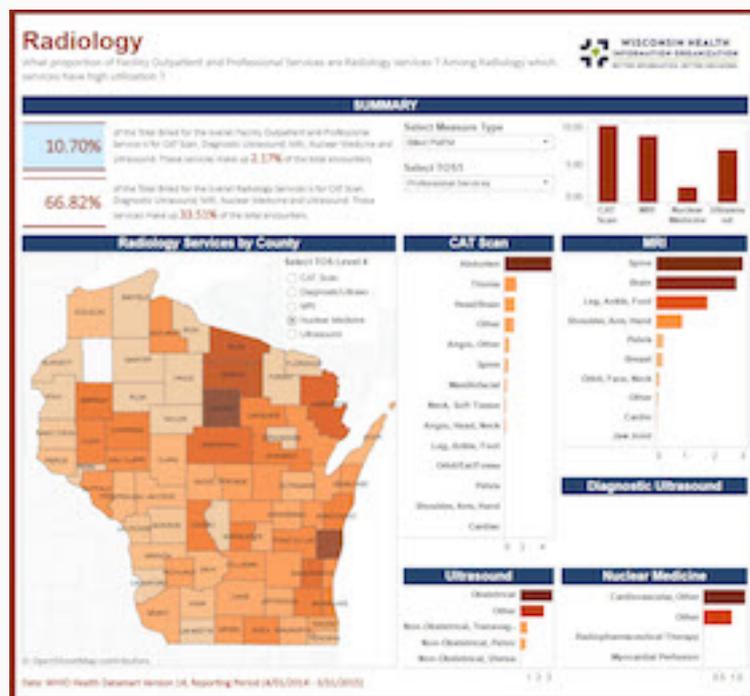
Navigation to Innovation



An exciting agenda with dynamic speakers will help us plot a path to innovations in healthcare. New this year at Monona Terrace Convention Center in downtown Madison; featuring keynote speaker [Dr. Kevin Pho](#), physician, author and nationally known social media guru.

For full agenda, registration, information on discounted hotel rooms, directions and parking, click [here](#).

New Radiology Dashboard



WHIO has added a [Radiology Dashboard](#) to its interactive, online tool, the WHIO Atlas of Health Care in Wisconsin. The new dashboard allows users to examine high-cost radiology services in more detail, including MRI, ultrasound, CAT scan and nuclear medicine. This enhancement will help health care stakeholders better understand geographically-based clinical practice variations of radiology services across the state.

The Atlas utilizes WHIO's All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) to graphically portray regional practice variations as a means for all health care stakeholders to understand differences in care delivery and to identify best practices. Previous editions of the Atlas looked only at radiology services in aggregate.

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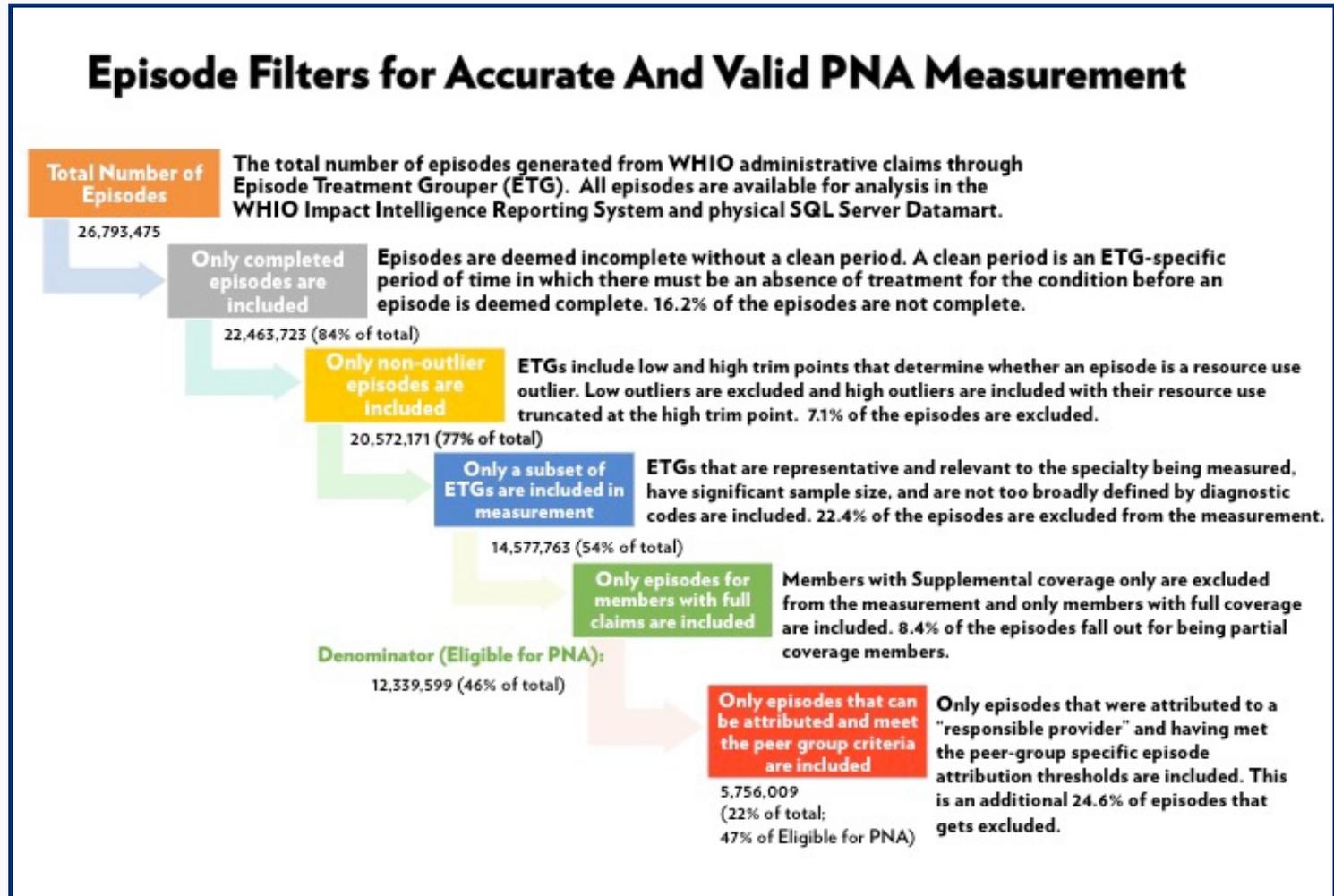
Using WHIO Data: PNA Measurement

To ensure that providers are compared in a fair and reasonable fashion in Provider Network Assessment (PNA), a number of filters are applied to the universe of grouped episodes. These filters ensure that PNA provider measurements are appropriate, representative and statistically valid for analysis of provider practice variation.

In DMV15, of the 26.79 million total episodes of care, 5.76 million met the rigorous inclusion criteria to PNA provider measurement. An episode of care encompasses all of the

diagnostic work and treatment for a person's condition that has been submitted to payers on medical and pharmacy claims.

The graphic below shows how episode data are filtered to ensure accuracy and parity in PNA measurement:



For more information on PNA measurement or any other topic, email info@wisconsinhealthinfo.org or call 608-422-3876.

WHIO Health Literacy Program Enters Phase II

WHIO has renewed its support of a statewide program to increase patient involvement in their health care. Phase Two of the *Consumer Engagement & Activation through Health Literacy* project will build on the success of a pilot program to improve consumers' understanding of health care quality and value, engage them more fully in health care decision-making, and enhance their ability to obtain, and effectively use, health insurance and services.

[Read more:](#)

WHIO proudly welcomes the [Marshfield Clinic](#) to its subscriber family.



Other Events

October 4, 2016 – *The Path to Value: Cost, Quality & the Patient Voice*

A day-long conference co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Health Information Organization (WHIO), Wisconsin Collaborative for Healthcare Quality (WCHQ) and the Health Innovation Program (HIP).

Featuring **Dr. Kate Goodrich**, Director, CMS Center for Clinical Standards and Quality, speaking on the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA).

For more information, contact Denise Clason at 920-560-5610.

To register, click [here](#).

Training Opportunities

October 31 - Learning Workshop

November 10 - Webinar: DMV 16 Overview and Release Notes

December 06 - Webinar: WHIO FAQs

For more information on these and all training opportunities, visit the [WHIO website](#) or email info@wisconsinhealthinfo.org.

FAQ

If I run a Buck E. Badger report, with whom may I share it?

Buck E. Badger reports are considered “template” reports and can be shared in PDF format with any WHIO member or user for business purposes, as well as with the physician or physician group on the report.

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