# THPP Unify Implementation Council Meeting 11/12/19



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#### Language Key

- Care Coordinator: Contractually-defined term
- o "Care Coordinator": THPP *Unify* internal role on the care management team



## Care Coordinators: Contract Requirements

Care Coordinator is a contractually-defined term, with specific responsibilities and requirements.

#### **Contract requirements:**

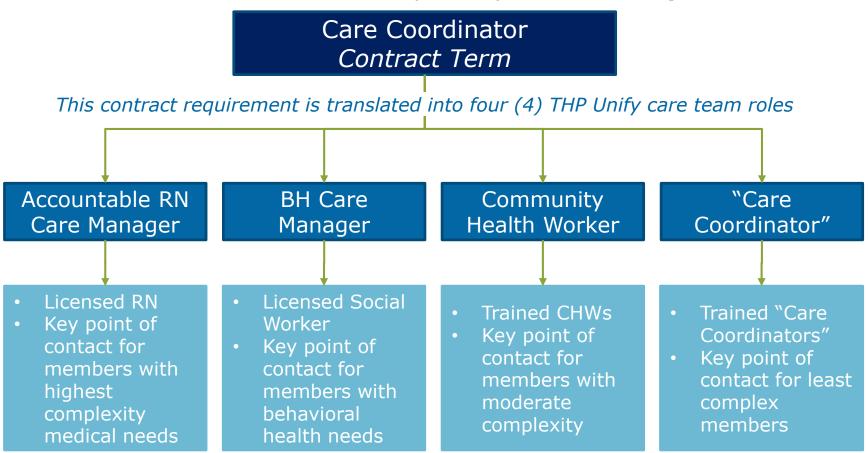
- Every member must have an ICT
- The ICT must include a care coordinator, or clinical care manager
- The health plan is required to establish its own qualifications for a care coordinator, and is responsible for training
- A care coordinator acts as a single point of contact for members
- A care coordinator must be a trained professional
- Care coordinators are to participate in the comprehensive assessment, ensure ICT meetings are held, monitor ongoing services, and ensure appropriate member input
- For members with complex needs, the care coordinator may be a Clinical Care Manager

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# Care Coordinators: THP *Unify*

THP Unify translates this contract requirement into an integrated care teams where each member has a primary **Relationship Lead** 





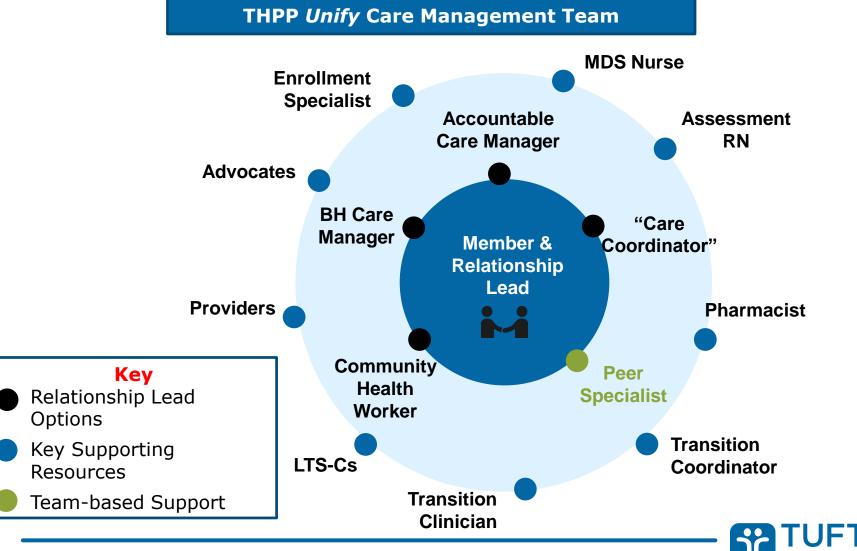
## Care Team Composition: THP *Unify* Model

The Unify model of care creates interdisciplinary care teams that allows care team members to work at the top of their license

	Team Roles	Relationship Lead
Core Care Team Panel: Approximately 400 members	Accountable Nurse Care Manager (Team Lead)	Highest acuity members
	BH Care Manager	High-acuity BH members
	Community Health Worker	Moderate acuity
	"Care Coordinator"	Lowest acuity
	Peer Specialist	Team-based support
	Support Teams	Function
Supporting Roles	Enrollment Team	Support initial member outreach and engagement
	Assessment Team	Specialists in completing in-home comprehensive assessments
	Care Transitions Team	Support all transitions between care facilities
	Clinical Pharmacy Team	Support complex medication management



## THPP Unify Care Team



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## Care Coordinators: Advocacy

A primary role of Care Coordinators is to advocate on behalf of their members, ensuring that members' priorities are addressed as a part of their care plan

- Care Coordinators (Relationship Lead) are the primary contact, ensuring the following:
  - Coordination and continuity of care
  - Access to necessary services as determined by the member-driven care plan
  - Supporting member advocacy
- Care Coordinators are advocates for their members and facilitate members' access to appropriate services. Care Coordinators are also expected to educate their members on services available
- THPP Unify has robust oversight and management infrastructure to support Care
  Coordinators in finding the appropriate balance between addressing member needs,
  supporting members' dignity of risk, and managing overall utilization
- THPP Unify utilizes an extensive vetting process to identify and recruit Care
   Coordinators who can best serve as member advocates



### Care Coordinators: Service Authorization

#### Member-Focused Service Authorization

Care management and service authorization staff **collaborate** to evaluate requests involving **specific member needs** 

Integrated care plan informs service authorization decisions, keeping larger outcomes in mind

Extensive experience making service authorization decisions for Members who require **review outside of established guidelines** 

UM clinicians to use **Member goals and desired outcomes** in service authorization decisions, in collaboration with THPP Medical Director

Care managers serve as **Member advocates** and ensure UM Clinicians
have all information necessary to make
informed decisions

Appropriateness of site of service delivery is considered in all UM decisions



## Care Coordinators: Additional Responsibilities

As the primary source of contact for the member, the Relationship Lead (Care Coordinator) is responsible for working with the member to:

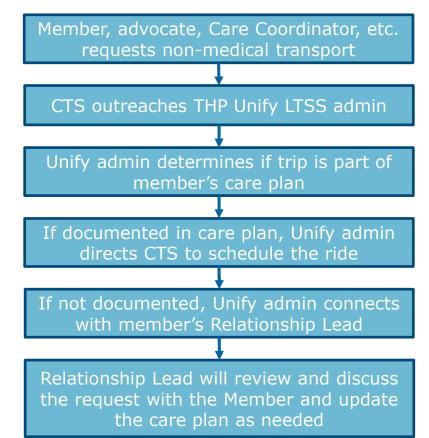
- Develop the individualized plan of care, based on ongoing assessment and members' priorities
- Address members' medical, behavioral and social needs
- Work with the member to manage their plan of care
- Coordinate services on the member's behalf
- Promotes the role of the LTS-C as an advocate and ensure that LTSS services are provided when needed
- Manage the member's care transitions
- Help to remove barriers to care
- Arranging home and community based services, including transportation to medical appointments
- Educating the member and caregiver(s)



## Non-Medical Transportation

THP Unify provides non-medical transportation through our transportation vendor, CTS, in a member-centric manner.

- Determination of need is driven by the member's care plan via the transportation assessment
- The members' care plan will include problems, goals and interventions focused on non-medical transportation needs, as needed
- The care plan is developed in partnership with the member and their advocates
- The Care Coordinator works as an advocate of the Member, supporting them in identifying non-medical transportation needs and ensuring those needs are appropriately reflected in the care plan





## Non-Medical Transportation: Member Vignettes

#### **Member Vignette #1: Family Relationships**

- As part of their care plan, the member is interested in re-establishing their relationship with their estranged family member. The member believes this is an important step in their recovery journey.
- The member and care coordinator agree to start with 2 visits per month. The care coordinator updates the member's care plan to include non-medical transportation to visit family.
- The member's progress is evaluated as part of an ongoing member outreach and the care plan is revised based on the needs and input of the member.

#### **Member Vignette #2: Access to Church Services**

- As part of their care plan, the member is interested in working on their spiritual health and report they are interested in going to church 2 Sundays per month. The member believes this will help manage their anxiety and depression.
- The member and care coordinator agree to start with 1 visit per month. The care coordinator updates the member's care plan to include non-medical transportation to church.
- The member's progress is evaluated as part of an ongoing member outreach and the care plan is revised based on the needs and input of the member.



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#### **Member Vignette #3: Redetermination**

- As part of their care plan, the member is interested in taking more responsibility for managing their redetermination process. The member and their LTS-C agree to develop a plan to support the member's success.
- The LTS-C communicates with the member's care coordinator who updates the care
  plan, including documenting the need for non-medical transportation to the
  enrollment office to ensure the member is timely in their paperwork submission.
- The LTS-C agrees to work with the member and support them during this process and ensure the member's goal was achieved.

#### **Member Vignette #4: Grocery Shopping**

- As part of their initial assessment, the member reports multiple hospitalizations due to chronic alcohol use and a related history of malnutrition resulting from food insecurity during periods of homelessness.
- The member has committed to a recovery plan and reports sobriety for the last 3 months. Their PCP is concerned about their nutrition intake. The member wants to focus on improving their nutritional status, but declines home delivered meals.
- Their preference is to manage their own grocery shopping and meal prep. The member's care plan reflects this goal, including documenting the need for weekly non-medical transportation to the grocery store.

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