

Patient Activation Measure ® (PAM®) Overview



Making care easier every day



Who we are:

The trusted leader in patient activation—giving providers, health plans, life sciences companies and other organizations the tools to help patients take a more active role in their care

What we do:

Enhance the patient experience, drive efficiency and improve healthcare outcomes by facilitating 150 million patient visits annually across the U.S.

How we do it:

Patient-driven digital solutions for intake, outreach, education and more











The Patient Activation Measure (PAM) survey helps you understand your patients' ability to manage their own healthcare by assessing their:



Knowledge

about medications and preventive health



Skills

to maintain lifestyle changes and participate in care decisions



Confidence

in communicating with their doctor and follow-up

PAM is the gold standard measure of activation:

- ✓ Featured in 800+ peer-reviewed studies
- Used by hundreds of healthcare organizations
- Available in 20+ languages
- Used in several CMS programs
- Consensus-based entity (CBE)-endorsed PAM performance measure (#2483)
- ✓ MIPS improvement activity (IA_BE_16)

PAM reliably predicts important patient outcomes:



Medication adherence

Unwarranted

ED visits



Preventive health behaviors



Hospital admissions and readmissions



Care experience



PAM HAS BEEN USED SUCCESSFULLY TO DRIVE OUTCOMES IN HIGH CLINICAL RISK AND UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

Commercial payers

MA, Medicaid and commercial plans

Optimize limited care management resources, design interventions and achieve better outcomes

OUTCOME

Achieved cost savings of \$2,700 per low-activated member in five months

CMS program

CMMI Kidney Care Choices and MIPS

Allocate care managers, nutritionists, and social workers to lower activated patients

OUTCOME

92% of practices and dialysiscenters improved average patient activation

State programs

Dual-eligible and uninsured patients

Improved care coordination for uninsured patients discharged from the ED

OUTCOME

\$31 million in cost avoidance (\$6M ED, \$25M inpatient) during the 24-month evaluation period

FQHCs

HealthLinc

Address social needs of patients, identify patients who need the most time and resources and tailor interventions appropriately

OUTCOME

Awarded 5th place for the HRSA Innovation Award



IMPROVING PATIENT OUTCOMES WITH PAM®

Opportunity	Evidence Base				
Improved health outcomes and health behaviors	 Higher PAM scores have been associated with better clinical outcomes, pain relief and recovery across specialties and conditions An increase in PAM score is associated with increases in medication adherence and use of preventive services and decreases in hospitalizations and ED utilization 				
Lower cost of care	 Increased PAM score is associated with appropriate use of the health care system 8% decrease in healthcare costs per patient when PAM is increased by 1 level 				
Better patient experience	 More activated patients are up to 3x more likely to be satisfied with their treatment 				



THE PATIENT ACTIVATION JOURNEY BEGINS WITH MEASUREMENT

1.	When all is said and done, I am the person who is responsible for taking care of my health.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/
2.	Taking an active role in my own health care is the most important thing that affects my health.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/
3.	I am confident I can help prevent or reduce problems associated with my health.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/
4.	I know what each of my prescribed medications do.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
5.	I am confident that I can tell whether I need to go to the doctor or whether I can take care of a health problem myself.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
6.	I am confident that I can tell a doctor concerns I have even when he or she does not ask.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
7.	I am confident that I can follow through on medical treatments I may need to do at home.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
8.	I understand my health problems and what causes them.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
9.	I know what treatments are available for my health problems.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
10.	I have been able to maintain (keep up with) lifestyle changes, like eating right or exercising.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
11.	I know how to prevent problems with my health.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
12.	I am confident I can figure out solutions when new problems arise with my health.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N,
13.	I am confident that I can maintain lifestyle changes, like eating right and exercising, even during times of stress.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N



- → PAM is the gold standard measure of activation
- → PAM is a tool that helps you understand your patients' ability to manage their own healthcare by assessing their Knowledge, Skills and Confidence
- → PAM takes about 3 minutes to complete
- → PAM is available in 30+ languages



PAM RESULTS PROVIDE TWO METRICS: SCORE AND LEVEL

PAM SCORE

- Score from 0-100 is computed based on survey answers
- Scores can change over time
- ✓ A single point change is significant and clinically meaningful
- Scores can be used to objectively evaluate both individuals and populations

PAM® survey produces a PAM® score from 1-100



PAM LEVEL

- Each of the four PAM levels correspond to the PAM score
- ✓ The PAM level tells you how to interact with a person
- Use PAM Levels to decide how to allocate resources
- Design interventions around PAM levels







Becoming aware but still struggling



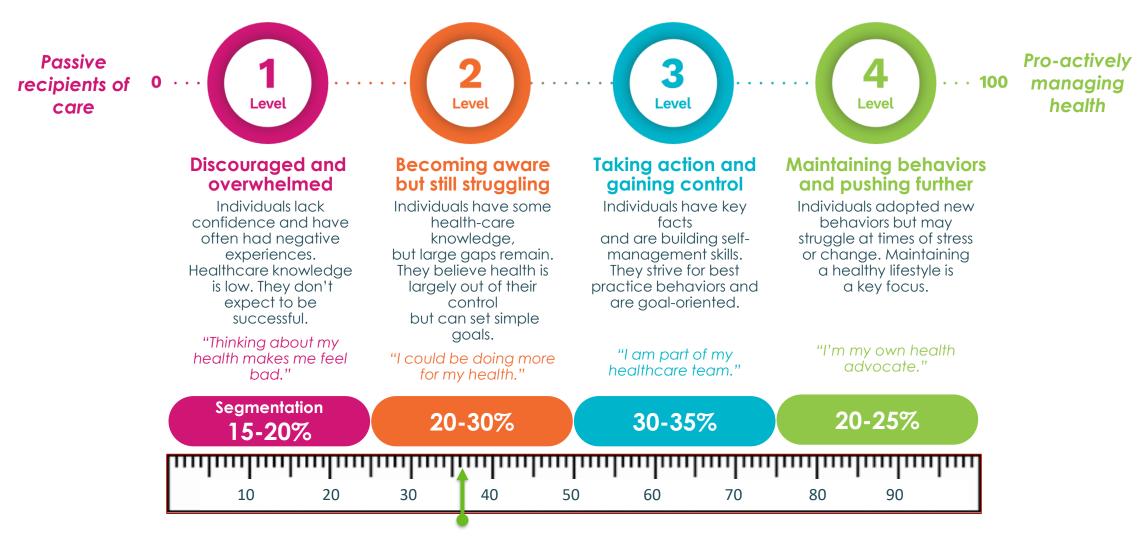
Taking action and gaining control



Maintaining behavior and pushing further



PAM MEASURES PATIENTS' UNDERLYING CAPACITY TO SELF MANAGE THEIR HEALTH



The value of a single point change in PAM score is significant and well understood, as is the shift between PAM levels



PATIENTS' ACTIVATION LEVELS AFFECT YOUR ORGANIZATION'S OUTCOMES

Patients are more likely to:



Leading to:

Loweractivated Levels 1-2



Not show for appointments

Not follow recommendations

Need support navigating their care, so they make frequent calls to your office

Get overwhelmed and have a **frustrating visit**

Gaps in your schedule impact your revenue

Hard-to-engage patients' outcomes **affect quality measure performance** and uses staff time to connect with patients

Patients get **overwhelmed** and **disengage** from care

Patients **disengage from care**, even though they're attributed to you

Higheractivated Levels 3-4



Show up for appointments

Follow provider recommendations

Require less-intensive support

Have greater satisfaction with their care

Patients need **fewer** (or no!) appointment reminders

Patients can navigate the system with **minimal support**

You can **use fewer resources** and still achieve **positive outcomes**

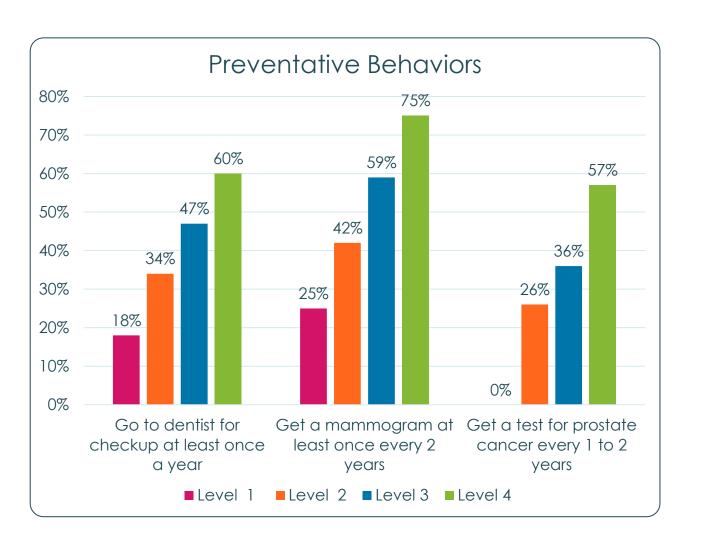
Patients give you a positive experience rating



PRIMARY CARE / PREVENTIVE HEALTH

Use PAM to Close Gaps in Care:

- Vaccinations Flu, Pneumonia, COVID, etc.
- Screenings Mammograms,
 Colonoscopy, etc.
- Annual Exam / Wellness Visit



Administering PAM

ADMINISTERING PAM AND TAILORING YOUR CARE PLANS

Align resources



Administer and measure

Tailor interventions

STRATEGIES TO MAKE THE MOST OF PAM

Foundational strategies to support gains in activation

Tailor care/coaching to PAM level

Communicate ownership and partnership: "You have an active role to play"

Find out what is meaningful to the patient and activate the patient towards that goal

Break goals into small steps, celebrate successes to build confidence



COACHING GOALS BASED ON ACTIVATION LEVEL



2 Level

3 Level 4 Level

Discouraged and overwhelmed

- Build basic knowledge, start to "connect the dots" between behaviors and outcomes
- ✔ Promote self-awareness
- Start to grow confidence through goal-setting and small successes

Becoming aware but still struggling

- ✓ Increase knowledge
- → Basic skill development
- Connect behaviors and outcomes

Taking action and gaining control

- Close knowledge gaps
- ✓ Initiate new behaviors
- Strive for best practices and recommended behaviors

Maintaining behaviors and pushing further

- Maintain behaviors at or near recommended levels
- Have techniques to "get back on track"
- Learn skills to troubleshoot difficult situations
- Strengthen lifestylerelated behaviors

Coach/Companion

Collaborator/Consultant



HealthLinc

100+ providers, 12 freestanding clinics in Northern Indiana

FQHC uses PAM® to save time, accelerate care coordination and provide tailored support to patients who need it most

By using PAM to support our SDOH efforts, we've been able to better allocate our community health workers to help patients who need direct intervention. It has made a huge difference, and we've been able to quickly scale it across our patient population."

— Melissa Mitchell, MS, LSSGB, Chief Innovation and Strategy Officer, HealthLinc

KEY RESULTS

50+

PAM assessments completed per month

57% of patients identified as having low activation

43% more

patients connected with the SDOH resources they need



BENEFITS OF USING PAM

Clinical benefits

PAM helps you understand your patients at an **individual level** so you can better:



Identify patients' abilities and needs



Personalize care to effectively engage patients



Improve prospective risk identification

Operational opportunities

PAM helps you understand your patients at a population level so you can design targeted approaches to drive outcomes that matter, including:



Effectively allocating staff time and resources



Enhancing patient experience



Increasing appropriate visit volume, such as annual wellness visits and preventive screenings





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