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ABSTRACT OF THE DISSERTATION

Mental Health Recovery in the Patient-Centered Medical Home

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Background. The current United States (US) healthcare system focuses primarily on acute needs. As a result, the US ranks poorly in preventable mortality, and the incidence and prevalence of chronic conditions has increased. The “patient-centered medical home” (PCMH), a facility wherein patients’ comprehensive healthcare needs may be met, is posited as an innovation for improving the healthcare system at lower costs. However, evidence regarding the effectiveness of the PCMH in improving health outcomes is limited. Additionally, a healthcare system that fails to address mental health will be incomplete and minimally effective. Consequently, an assessment of the effectiveness of the PCMH in improving the health, including mental health, of its patients is necessary.

Objectives. This study examined the impact of transitioning clients from a Mental Health (MH) clinic to a patient-centered medical home (PCMH) on MH recovery.

Methods. Data were drawn from a large US County Behavioral Health Services administrative data set. Propensity score analysis and multilevel modeling were used to assess the impact of the PCMH on MH recovery by comparing PCMH participants ($n =$

215) to clients receiving service as usual (SAU) ($n = 22394$). MH recovery is repeatedly assessed over time (days since baseline assessment range: 0-1,639, $M = 186$) by the Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) scale and the Recovery Markers Questionnaire (RMQ).

Results. For total IMR ($LR \chi^2 (1) = 4696.97, p < .0001$) and IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($LR \chi^2 (1) = 7.9, p = .005$), increases in MH recovery over time were greater for PCMH participants than SAU participants. Increases on all other measures over time were similar for PCMH and SAU participants.

Conclusions. Greater increases in MH recovery over time can be expected when patients with severe mental illness are provided treatment through the PCMH. Evaluative efforts should be taken to inform more wide-spread adoption of the PCMH.

Introduction

In 2004, California voters approved Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to increase funding for the community mental health system and transform the mental health service delivery system to one that promotes prevention, early intervention, evidence-based practice, and recovery. San Diego County recently approved the use of these funds for the development and implementation of a physical health integration project (PHIP). This project will create a patient-centered medical home (PCMH) for persons with severe mental illness with the intention of enhancing participants' overall mental and physical health through a holistic and collaborative continuum of care across primary care and mental health. However, evidence regarding the effectiveness of the PCMH on improving patient health, including mental health, outcomes is sparse in the peer reviewed literature. The purpose of this project is to use a methodologically rigorous approach using advanced statistical techniques to assess the impact of the PCMH on participants' mental health outcomes. Specifically, this dissertation presents the literature to date on the history and clinical indicators of the PCMH, details a research strategy for its evaluation in a large public sector service system, and presents results regarding, the effectiveness of the PCMH in improving patient mental health outcomes. Last, implications regarding these results are presented.

Chapter 1. Background

1.1. History of the Patient-Centered Medical Home

In 2001, the Institute of Medicine (IOM) called for a commitment to improve the organization and delivery of health care in the United States (Committee on Quality of Health Care in America Institute of Medicine). This report discusses that, due to

advances in medical science and technology, Americans are living longer and an increase in the incidence and prevalence of chronic conditions has emerged, and despite these changes in the public's health care needs, much of today's health care system focuses primarily on acute needs. Additionally, a consensus exists among providers, payers, and policymakers that the current primary care system rewards quantity of services delivered at the expense of higher quality care (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010). As a result, the United States is falling behind other countries in areas such as amenable mortality, identified as being the worst of sixteen industrial nations (Nolte and McKee, 2011), and ranks poorly on access and safety (Barr, 2008).

Following the IOM report, the patient-centered medical home (PCMH), a facility or group of facilities wherein patients' comprehensive healthcare needs may be met, has been discussed extensively as a delivery system innovation for facilitating health care delivery improvements (Barr, 2008, Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2008, Bolin, Gamm, Vest et al., 2011, Davis, Schoenbaum, and Audet, 2005, DeGruy, and Etz, 2010). Although the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) introduced the medical home concept in 1967, the concept was recently expanded in a 2002 policy statement to address some of the guidelines proposed in the 2001 IOM report. In 2007, the AAP, along with the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the American College of Physicians (ACP) and the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), jointly approved principles of the PCMH (Robert Graham Center, 2007). Among others, these PCMH principles include an emphasis on ongoing patient relationships with a personal physician, provision of comprehensive care by addressing all of the patient's health care needs (including mental health), and improving access to care and communication

between patients and providers. See Table 1 for the additional joint principles of the PCMH. There are now efforts to broadly expand the PCMH approach in the United States and Canada (Crabtree, Nutting, Miller, et al., 2010, Rosser, Colwill, Kasperski, et al., 2011).

1.2. Characteristics of the Patient-Centered Medical Home

With the increased interest in the PCMH model and its potential to improve the quality of health care in the United States, attention is now turning to the characteristics of PCMH demonstration projects and the incorporation of mental healthcare. A nationwide survey of PCMH demonstration projects including over 14,000 physicians caring for approximately 5 million patients identified key elements regarding their structure, payment models, and transformation processes (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010). The results from these demonstration projects suggested two models for helping transform practices. The first was an implementation of a chronic care model by quality improvement coaching and collaborative learning. The second was a model featuring external transformation consultants.

Because the problems afflicting patients in the primary care setting are typically chronic, the implementation of a chronic care model has several advantages (Wagner, Austin, and Von Korff, 1996). However, the PCMH is not simply a tool for disease management (DeGruy and Etz, 2010). Instead it is the “coordination and integration of the different care strategies for a person’s unique combination of chronic and acute diseases, health beliefs, resources, prevention needs, and complicating factors” (p. 300). These authors argue that without the incorporation of the full psychosocial dimension of health and healthcare, the PCMH will be incomplete and less effective. Research has

supported the hypothesis that the addition of mental health care to primary care systems can improve access to and quality of health care (Rost, Pyne, Dickinson, & Losasso, 2005; Smith, Williams, Owen, Rubenstein, & Chaney, 2008; Wang, Simon, & Kessler, 2008; Watts, Shriner, Pomerantz, Stender, & Weeks, 2007). The inclusion of mental health treatments and mental health providers in medical homes can be accomplished by either providing these services on site for fully integrated care, or enhancing these services with careful coordination of care with mental health professionals at separate sites (Dickinson & Miller, 2010).

The abovementioned nationwide survey and additional research on the PCMH have facilitated a greater understanding of the characteristics of the PCMH particularly regarding structure- and process-related clinical indicators (Mainz, 2003). Little evidence is available regarding outcome-related clinical indicators associated with the PCMH.

1.2.1. Structure-related clinical indicators of the PCMH.

Structure-related clinical indicators refer to attributes of the setting in which care occurs that affects the system's ability to meet the health care needs of individual patients or a community (Mainz, 2003). With regard to structure-related clinical indicators, research on the PCMH has focused on characteristics of staff/health care teams, characteristics of patients, patients and staff access to services/information, program evaluation/improvement, and fees/payments.

Several peer-reviewed papers on the PCMH included an assessment of characteristics of staff and health care providers comprising the PCMH health care teams (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010, Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011, Pomerantz, Shiner, Watts, et al., 2010, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et

al., 2010). The Bitton, Martin, and Landon (2010) survey of PCMH demonstration projects reported the number of physicians per PCMH practice range from one to 400. The types of providers included family physicians and physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other registered nurses, clinical pharmacists, psychiatrists, therapists, and medical technicians

Other papers on the PCMH provided information regarding the characteristics of the patients receiving care in a PCMH (Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009, McCarter, Jones, and Rager, 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). McCarter, Jones, and Rager (2011) used data from the 2007 National Survey of Children's Health to identify characteristics of youth served in a PCMH. Their results indicated adolescents, youth of color, those with family income levels between 0-99% of the FPL, and those currently uninsured are least likely to receive services from medical home.

Although the PCMH can treat all age groups (Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009), other studies appeared to indicate that adults patients receiving care from a PCMH are typically 55-64 years old (Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010) or older than non-PCMH controls (Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010). More patients tended to be female within the PCMH (Reid, Coleman, Johnson et al., 2010, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010), and contrasting the characteristics of youth with a PCMH, had household income levels less than 100% of the FPL (Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). The percentage of PCMH patients within disease related diagnostic groups was reported as follows: diabetes (28%), asthma (4%), congestive heart failure (5%), hypertension (78%), mental illness (14%) and musculoskeletal conditions (54%) (Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010).

There was a general consensus that the implementation of the PCMH was intended to improve patient accesses to services, and research on the PCMH has also provided information regarding how this is to be achieved (Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012). For papers reporting an attempt to improve patient access to services, methods for improving patient access included providing alternative scheduling options through the inclusion of an evening and weekend schedule, rapid access techniques for patients to obtain care on short notice, community linkages, the provision of linguistic services (Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009) and through the presence of access to an Electronic Medical Record (EMR) (Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010). Other papers reported an increased staff-to-patient ratio, 24-7 call lines, increased visit times (Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012), or increasing the total number of available appointments per week (Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011). Interestingly, several papers failed to demonstrate an improvement in access to services/information within the PCMH. Coleman, Johnson, et al. (2010) reported the number of visits per patient being fewer at the PCMH.

Several papers investigating the PCMH reported structure-related indicators regarding fees and payment arrangements (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010, Bolin, Gamm, Vest, et al., 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). Bitton, Martin, and Landon (2010) reported the majority of PCMH demonstration pilots included standard fee-for-service (FFS) payments that were supplemented by per person per month (PPPM) payments for eligible patients ranging from \$0.50 to \$9.00, yielding a range from \$720 to \$91,146 per

physician. They reported a few exceptions wherein programs used a risk adjusted fixed payment model or an enhanced fee schedule. Other papers indicated PCMH programs not designated as demonstration pilots also utilized productivity-based payments (Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). A majority of PCMH demonstration pilots reported using additional bonus payments as well, with most consisting of pay for performance bonus systems. More than 40% of PCMH demonstration pilots, and other PCMH programs not designated as demonstration pilots, included additional payments outside of fixed monthly payment arrangements, such as payments for embedded nurse care managers, licensed practical nurses, care coordination, quality improvement, and for support of population-based health management (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). Other papers indicated practices were paid for time spent on activities (Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012) and reported incentives for targeting the following five conditions: myocardial infarction, heart failure pneumonia, surgeries associated with complications, hospital-acquired or associated infections (Bolin, Gamm, Vest, et al., 2011).

Although there were similarities between the papers with regard to structure related clinical indicators, there was variability within the assessment of each clinical indicator. For example, many of the papers reported the use of an EMR, as well as the presence of a health care team. This is expected given the seven core principles of the PCMH specify the use of a personal physician leading a team of individuals at the practice level who collectively take responsibility for the care of patients, as well as coordinated care as facilitated by information technology. There is, however, room for

variability within each of these seven core principles. For example, the staff comprising the health care team differed between papers, as did methods for increasing access to care. Interestingly, evaluation of program services and an emphasis on quality and safety is one of the seven core principles of the PCMH and a requirement for inclusion as a nationwide PCMH demonstration project. However, nearly 60% of PCMH demonstration projects had not yet developed an evaluation plan (Bitton, Martin, and Landon, 2010).

1.2.2. Process-related clinical indicators of the PCMH.

Process-related clinical indicators refer to what is actually being done in the giving and receiving of care (Mainz, 2003). A review of the literature on the PCMH elucidated several domains within which the majority of process-related clinical indicators were reported. These include screening and preventive care processes, patient-guided health management, and improved utilization and continuity of services.

Many peer-reviewed papers reporting process-related clinical indicators describe the assessment of screening and preventive care within the PCMH (Beal, Hernandez, and Daly, 2009, DeVries, Li Sridhar, et al., 2012, Ferrante, Balasubramania, Hudson, et al., 2010, Harbrecht, 2012, Ortolon, 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson et al., 2010, Salberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). These papers reported targeted screening processes with regard to coronary heart disease, including screening for cardiovascular disease (Harbrecht, 2012), cholesterol screening in past two years (Beal, Hernandez, and Daly, 2009), blood pressure check in past two years (Beal, Hernandez, and Daly, 2009), lipid testing within five years (Ferrante, Balasubramania, Hudson, et al., 2010, Salberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). One paper noted higher rates of testing within cardiovascular disease patients in the PCMH compared to non-PCMH practices (DeVries, Li Sridhar, et

al., 2012). Targeted screening processes were also reported with regard to diabetes (Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), breast and/or cervical cancer (Beal, Hernandez, and Doty, 2009, Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010, Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), colorectal and/or prostate cancer (Beal, Hernandez, and Doty, 2009, Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010, Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), sexually transmitted diseases (Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), depression (Harbrecht, 2012), tobacco use (Harbrecht, 2012), and influenza vaccinations (Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010). Similar to the screenings for coronary heart disease, the guidelines for when each of these screenings should occur varied between PCMH practices.

Other process-related clinical indicators regarding preventive care were reported such as outreach and follow-up for patients (Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010, Ortolon, 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012). These papers indicated PCMH practices were providing patients with outreach and follow-up for all discharges, emergency or urgent care visits, medication monitoring, and abnormal test results. These papers also indicated PCMH practices were implementing processes to review quality-deficiency reports for unmet care needs. Some of these papers also demonstrated a greater likelihood of receiving preventive services, especially with regard to chronic disease, when receiving services in a PCMH vs. non-PCMH control.

Process-related clinical indicators regarding utilization and continuity of services were reported in several papers (Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010,

Goldberg and Kuzel, 2009, Harbrecht, 2012, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012). To facilitate patient guided health management and continuity, some papers reported the presence, and patient access to EMR. Through this EMR, patients were provided with after visit summaries, secure email to contact their providers, and health maintenance reminders (Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010). Other papers reported continuity of services through team-based care, care coordination, primary care continuity, utilization of health information systems, and through the guidance of evidence-based standards and care (Harbrecht, 2012, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2010). Some papers reported improved utilization in the PCMH, as evidenced through receipt of behavioral counseling within one year (Ferrante, Balasubramanian, Hudson, et al., 2010), through 80% more secure message threads, 5% more telephone encounters, more specialty care use (Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010), and through targeted care for high-need or high-cost users (Rich, Lison, Libersky, et al., 2012).

A majority of papers reporting process related clinical indicators targeted screening and preventive care. Screening and preventive care focused primarily on chronic conditions such as coronary heart disease, diabetes, breast and/or cervical cancer, and colorectal and/or prostate cancer. Interestingly, the targeted frequency with which these screenings should occur differed between papers. For example, one paper reported targeted cholesterol and lipid screenings within 2 years (Beal, Hernandez, and Doty, 2009), while other papers reported cholesterol and lipid screening targets within 5 years (Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). It should be noted that patient characteristics were likely to differ between these records, with the Beal, Hernandez, and

Doty (2009) paper reporting on Latino access to the PCMH, perhaps leading to different screening targets for cholesterol and lipid tests. Different processes were also evident when screening for colorectal cancer, with some papers reporting targeted colonoscopies within 10 years, yearly fecal occult blood tests, and sigmoidoscopies or double contrast barium enemas within five years.

1.2.3. Outcome-related clinical indicators of the PCMH.

Outcome-related clinical indicators refer to states of health or events that follow care and that may be affected by the care provided. A review of the literature identified several domains within which the majority of outcome-related clinical indicators were reported. These include targeted and improved outcomes regarding cardiovascular disease and diabetes, health behaviors with regard to pharmaceutical use and tobacco cessation, hospital and emergency room admission and readmission. Only one study reported the use of assessments to measure mental health outcomes (O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011).

Targeted and improved outcomes often focused on cardiovascular disease and diabetes (DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012, Harbrecht, 2012, O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), determined through reduction in lipids (low-density lipoprotein, LDL, cholesterol management defined as <100 mg/dl), blood pressure levels (management defined as <130/80) for patients with cardiovascular disease (Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011), HbA1c for patients with diabetes, with poor control defined as >9% (Harbrecht, 2012) or >7% (Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). Several papers reported better outcomes related to LDL

cholesterol control and HbA1c in the PCMH (DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012, O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011).

Outcomes-related clinical indicators regarding patient health behaviors, particularly medication adherence and tobacco cessation, were also reported (DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012, Harbrecht, 2012, Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). These papers reported that, among pediatric patients, inappropriate antibiotic use for nonspecific or viral respiratory infections was lower in PCMH vs. non-PCMH controls (DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012). They also reported greater use of generic pharmaceuticals (Harbrecht, 2012), and regular use of Aspirin for those 40+ yrs. old (Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011). These papers also reported tobacco cessation (Harbrecht, 2012) or documented nonsmoking status (Solberg, Asche, Fontaine, et al., 2011) as intended outcome related clinical indicators with regard to health behaviors.

Outcome-related clinical indicators regarding hospital and/or emergency room admissions and readmissions were also reported (Cooley, McAllister, Sherrieb, et al., 2009, DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012, Harbrecht, 2012, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011, Ortolon, 2011, O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, et al., 2010, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). One paper reported using the number of claims for emergency room (ER) visits to assess ER admissions and readmissions (Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). Several papers reported fewer hospitalizations for patients receiving care from a PCMH (Cooley, McAllister, Sherrieb, et al., 2009, Marshall, Doperak, Milner, et al., 2011, Ortolon, 2011, Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative, 2008), while others reported fewer ER visits (Harbrecht, 2012, Ortolon, 2011, Reid, Coleman, Johnson, 2010, Roby, Pourat, Pirritano, et al., 2010). One paper

reported significantly shorter lengths of stays in the hospital and ER, though the same study also reported a significantly greater number of hospitalization and ER use for patients receiving care from a PCMH (O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011). Another paper reported PCMH adults and children had 12 and 23% lower odds of hospitalization, and 11 and 17% fewer ER services, respectively (DeVries, Li, Sridhar, et al., 2012).

In comparison to structure and process related clinical indicators of the PCMH, few studies reported outcome related indicators. Of the studies that included outcomes, a majority reported on patient satisfaction as opposed to patient health related outcomes. This makes sense given the PCMH's early stage of development, within which structure and process related clinical indicators—indicators that aid in the description of the PCMH—may be more heavily targeted. However, as the PCMH model of healthcare deliver is sustained over years, greater emphasis should be placed on outcome related clinical indicators.

1.3. Mental Health Outcomes in the Patient-Centered Medical Home

The vast majority of peer-reviewed papers on the PCMH focus their assessment and discussion on structure- and process-related clinical indicators—indicators that aid in the description of the PCMH. Evidence regarding the effectiveness of the PCMH on improving patient health, including mental health, outcomes is sparse in the peer reviewed literature. One study discussed above included outcome-related clinical indicators of the PCMH that focused on mental health (O'Toole, Pirroglia, Dosa, et al., 2011). However, outcomes in this study were limited to hospitalizations for severe mental illness. Research has supported the hypothesis that the addition of mental health care to primary care systems can improve access to and quality of health care (Dickinson, and

Miller, 2010, Rost, Pyne, Dickinson, et al., 2005, Smith, Williams, Owen, et al., 2008, Wang, Simon, and Kessler, 2008, Watts, Shiner, Pomerantz, et al., 2007). The inclusion of mental health treatments and mental health providers in medical homes can be accomplished by either providing these services on site for fully integrated care, or enhancing these services with careful coordination of care with mental health professionals at separate sites (Dickinson, and Miller, 2010). Research should now prioritize assessing the effectiveness of the PCMH on improving patient health and mental health outcomes.

1.4. San Diego County Patient-Centered Medical Home Model

In 2004, California voters approved Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to increase funding for the community mental health system and transform the mental health service delivery system to one that promotes prevention, early intervention, evidence-based practice, and recovery. One of the five components of the MHSA is “Innovation.” Innovative programs are intended to be novel, creative, and/or ingenious mental health practices that are designed to increase access to services to underserved groups and the mental health community, increase the quality of services, and promote interagency collaboration (State of California, 2011).

San Diego County recently approved five separate Innovation programs including the physical health integration project (PHIP). One aim of the PHIP was to create a PCMH for persons with severe mental illness, enhancing participants’ overall mental and physical health through a holistic and collaborative continuum of care across primary care and mental health. Specifically, the PHIP’s intent was to establish a collaborative relationship between a Federally Qualified Health Center primary care clinic and an

existing County-funded mental health clinic. To facilitate the coordination between primary care and mental health clinics, the PHIP contract had the following requirements: 1) the establishment of joint administrative and clinical functions and educational meetings, and an establishment of a cross-referral relationship and process between the primary care and mental health clinics that included an arrangement for information sharing, 2) at least one licensed behavioral health consultant must work in the primary care clinic and one registered nurse care coordinator must work in the mental health clinic, 3) a certified alcohol and drug counselor must also work across teams at both sites to assist with the integrated treatment of individuals with co-occurring disorders, and 4) providers from the primary care clinic must demonstrate an increase in knowledge of behavioral health, and providers from the mental health clinic were mandated to demonstrate an increase in knowledge of primary health care issues and health literacy, with the intention of better facilitating comprehensive care. This was also in keeping with the County's reorganization of mental health and substance abuse services under an overarching "Behavioral Health Services" organizational structure.

1.5. Recovery-Oriented Mental Health Services

In the early 2000s, San Diego County Mental Health (now Behavioral Health) Services began exploring methods for transforming to a recovery-oriented model of service delivery (County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, January, 2011). The notion of mental health recovery emerged in the 1980s following deinstitutionalization (Cohen, Abraham, Burk, et al., 2012). Writings of clients, family members, and mental health professionals expressed a desire for more than just symptom relief. They expressed a need to treat the consequences of the illness, including troubles

at work, disability, and discrimination. The recovery vision is often described in the writings of consumers or clients. One commonly cited definition of recovery is that provided by Pat Deegan who wrote “recovery is rediscovering meaning and purpose after a series of catastrophic events which mental illness is. It is a process, a way of life, an attitude, and a way of approaching the day’s challenges... The need is to meet the challenge of the disability and to reestablish a new and valued sense of integrity and purpose within and beyond the limits of the disability; the aspiration is to live, work, and love in a community in which one makes a significant contribution” (Deegan, 1988, p. 15).

One way San Diego Behavioral Health Services began this transformation to a recovery-oriented model of services delivery was through the selection and implementation of recovery-based outcome assessments across its mental health treatment programs. A committee of representatives from the County Behavioral Health Division, treatment program staff, university researchers and consumers conducted a thorough evaluation of previous research, professional reviews of measures, pilot tests, and focus groups to facilitate the selection of recovery-based assessments. Following the selection and system wide implementation of these recovery-based assessments, an increase in the recovery-orientation of San Diego County Behavioral Health Services was found (Sklar, Sarkin, & Choi, 2011). Additionally, clients have demonstrated statistically significant clinician-reported and self-reported improvements towards mental health recovery over time while being treated in the mental health treatment programs (County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, November, 2011, April, 2012a, April 2012b, August, 2011).

Although the San Diego County Behavioral Health Services intends to promote client recovery, the potential impact of the PCMH on participants' mental health recovery is unknown. Although San Diego County's establishment of the PCMH for persons with severe mental illness is intended to enhance participants' overall mental and physical health, it is unclear whether this PCMH model can facilitate mental health recovery. In December 2006, the University of California San Diego Health Services Research Center (HSRC) in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine was contracted by the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency to provide data analysis and performance monitoring to Behavioral Health Services in support of their Quality Improvement unit. This contract includes tracking the San Diego County MHSA programs and services, including this PHIP. HSRC is contracted to provide descriptive reports on the PHIP to the Behavioral Health Services. Working in collaboration with HSRC, this research study adds an essential component to this contract. Specifically, this project takes a methodologically rigorous approach using advanced statistical techniques to assess the impact of the PCMH on participants' mental health recovery outcomes as compared to individuals receiving services as usual. An assessment of the impact of the PCMH on participant's mental health recovery will not only help to determine its effectiveness, but may guide decisions for subsequent program improvements.

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Chapter 2. Methods

2.1. Study Location

The study took place in San Diego County. The county is approximately 4,207 square miles in land area, with ~736 persons per square mile. It is comprised of specific geographic regions, each with its own local history, demographic and cultural characteristics, climate and topography, encompassing urban, semi-urban, and rural areas. San Diego County is comprised of a diverse cultural mix of residents, including large Mexican-American and American Indian populations. The United States census bureau data indicates the San Diego County population is 47.6% non-Hispanic and/or non-Latino White, 32.7% Hispanic or Latino, 11.6% Asian, 5.6% Black or African American, 0.6% Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and 4.2% two or more races. San Diego County is also home of many naval and military installations, including Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton and Marine Corps Air Station Miramar.

Participants in the PCMH were assessed in either their primary care or mental health clinic. The County of San Diego has contracted the Family Health Centers of San Diego to participate in this PHIP as the Federally Qualified Health Center primary care clinic. The Family Health Centers of San Diego is a private nonprofit community clinic organization operating thirty locations throughout the County of San Diego (Family Health Centers of San Diego, 2007-2012). Three Family Health Centers of San Diego are participating in this PHIP: City Heights, Logan Heights, and North Park. The Community Research Foundation, a private non-profit community-based organization, is working in collaboration with the Family Health Centers of San Diego to participate in this PHIP and provide mental health services at their clinics. One Community Research Foundation

mental health clinic, the Areta Crowell Center, is participating in this PHIP. Other mental health clinics are projected to collaborate as well. All agencies participating in the proposed research study are participating under the County contract and providing services and administrative data (including the measures for this study) as contracted.

2.2. Study Population

PCMH Participants. Because the PHIP's intervention is taking place at the program level (i.e., each agency is contracted to provide either PCMH or services as usual), all patients receiving care from the Family Health Centers and the Areta Crowell Center are assigned to this proposal's PCMH condition. Because the County of San Diego's Innovation projects are designed to increase access to care to underserved groups, PCMH participants were projected to be a diverse group. Participants must be 18 years old and older from transitional aged youth (TAY; 18-24 years), adult, and older adult (OA; 60+ years) populations. Participants must be indigent or eligible for Medi-Cal (California's Medicaid program) funded services. Potential populations were projected to include immigrants and refugees, Latino/Latina populations, Asian/Pacific Islander populations, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) population.

Projections of PCMH participant populations may be guided by considering the patient populations of the programs from which PCMH patients are being transferred, and to the programs to which they will be transferred. In fiscal year 2010/2011 the Areta Crowell Center served a total of 723 unique clients and the Logan Heights Family Health Center served a total of 160 unique clients (County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, April 2012c). Data from the 2010-2011 fiscal year suggests unique

clients from the Logan Heights Family Health Center are 56% female, 43% male, and 1% other/unknown gender, and 46% Hispanic, 40% White, 11% African American, 3% Asian/Pacific Islander, and 1% Native American (County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, 2012). Data from the 2010-2011 Fiscal year suggest unique clients from the Areta Crowell Center are 50% female and 50% male, 54% White, 20% Hispanic, 19% African American, 4% Asian/Pacific Islander, 2% Other, 1% Native American, and 1% Unknown (County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, 2012).

The County of San Diego has proposed its PCMH should reach a total of 600 participants by the end of the project's first year, with 150 participants referred to the PCMH from the primary care clinics and 150 participants referred to the PCMH from the mental health clinics within the projects first six months (County Agreement Number 536234). The sex/gender and racial/ethnic composition of the PCMH program participants were not expected to deviate significantly from that described above. As a result, the estimated racial/ethnic and gender composition of the full PCMH population is presented in Table 2. Despite the County's intention of serving 600 participants by the end of the project's first year, power analyses (described below) indicate a sample size of 393 PCMH participants at baseline for detecting the effect of the PCMH on mental health recovery over time as compared to SAU.

Participants referred to the PCMH from the mental health clinics must be deemed as "stable" based upon eligibility criteria (County Agreement Number 536234). Participants must have a Milestones of Recovery Scale (MORS) (Pilon & Ragins, 2007) score of 6 (Coping/rehabilitation), 7 (Early Recovery), or 8 (Advanced Recovery).

Program staff from the Areta Crowell Center assign MORS scores of 6 or greater if patients are not actively engaged in drug use, have not changed their medication or appointments in the last two weeks, have demonstrated compliance with prescribed medications, maintain a stable living environment, have not been hospitalized or incarcerated within the past year, and their symptom distress does not inhibit daily functioning (J. Leich, personal communication, May 13, 2013).

SAU Participants. To evaluate the effectiveness of the PCMH on participants' mental health recovery, a comparison sample was drawn from other San Diego County mental health clinics, wherein clients continue to receive mental health services as usual (SAU). Participants in this SAU comparison group were identified from the County of San Diego's medical information system and the HSRC's Health Outcomes Management System. As described in more detail below, propensity score analysis will be used to assemble a SAU comparison group that is similar to the PCMH participants with the exception being they do not receive treatment under the PCMH model.

2.3. Measures

As part of the PCMH program's administrative duties, all PCMH participants and their providers were asked to complete an assessment during their initial treatment appointment (baseline), and every 6-month follow up appointment. The measures included in this study were collected during these routine clinical/administrative assessments (described below). The scales assess self-reported and clinician-reported mental health recovery, participant demographic information (age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, race, language preferences, marital status, and veteran status) and

participant treatment utilization (e.g., number of emergency room visits, number of inpatient hospitalizations).

All SAU participants and their providers are also asked to complete an assessment during clients' initial treatment appointment, and all treatment planning update appointments every 6-months that follow. SAU participants were assessed using the same self-reported and clinician-reported mental health recovery scales as the PCMH participants. For SAU participants, demographic information will be acquired through the County electronic medical record systems, Anasazi and the Health Outcomes Management System (the data in these systems parallels data noted above for PCMH clients). For this study, diagnoses of PCMH and SAU participants was obtained through as originally entered by their providers for reporting purposes. Participant diagnoses are determined and reported based upon the clinical judgment of their providers.

Illness Management and Recovery scale. The Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) client and clinician scales were developed by the Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center (Mueser et al., 2004) to assess progress over time in other mental illness self-management treatment programs. The 15-item scales, generated by IMR practitioners and consumers with severe mental illness, demonstrate good convergent validity and internal consistency (Hasson-Ohayon et al., 2008; Salyers et al., 2007). Analyses assessing the psychometric properties of the IMR clinician scale within a sample of clients from San Diego County Adult Mental Health Services ($n = 10,659$) suggest moderately high estimates of internal consistency ($\alpha = .82$), and that the scale can be reduced into three interrelated factors, Recovery, Management, and Substance (Sklar, Sarkin, Groessler, & Gilmer, 2012). See Appendix A.

Recovery Markers Questionnaire. The Recovery Markers Questionnaire (RMQ) is a free-standing subscale of the Recovery Enhancing Environment measure (Ridgway & Press, 2004). The RMQ is a measure of self-reported recovery and consists of 24 items, measured on a five-point Likert-type response options that range from 1 ‘strongly agree’ to 5 ‘strongly disagree.’ Analyses assessing the psychometric properties of the RMQ within this same sample of clients from San Diego County Adult Mental Health Services suggest high estimates of internal consistency ($\alpha = .95$) and good construct validity (Sklar, Sarkin, Groessl, & Gilmer, 2012). See Appendix B.

2.4. Statistical Analyses

The analytic plan takes into account several concerns in regard to evaluating results of a quasi-experimental design in a manner that adds, rather than duplicates, work to be done under the existing contract with the HSRC. A primary concern in this quasi-experimental design is the potential non-equivalence between treatment (i.e., PCMH) and control (SAU) groups. Because the study uses convenience samples of PCMH and SAU clients, equating the groups is critical. The potential differing characteristics between groups at pre-treatment assessment, or unobserved, hidden variables (West et al, 2000, p. 68), can result in misleading inferences regarding post-treatment group differences. In this study, post-treatment group differences due to these hidden variables could mimic an effect of the PCMH services in its participants as compared to comparison group participants, or vice-versa. As a result, determinations regarding the causal impact of a particular treatment can be questionable with quasi-experimental methodologies. It is therefore crucial that rigorous statistical precautions are taken to prevent inaccurate inferences due to differences between groups. One approach to addressing this concern is

the use of propensity score analysis. The propensity score analysis and multilevel modeling described below are conducted using Stata (StataCorp, 2011).

2.4.1. Propensity Score Analysis

This study utilizes propensity score analysis (Rosenbaum and Ruben, 1983), a rigorous method for assessing causality in the absence of random assignment. Introduced almost 30 years ago, propensity score analysis is gaining increased empirical support and attention as a promising technique for behavioral research. The number of yearly published applications of propensity score analyses has doubled from 15 in 2005 to 30 in 2009 (Pruzek, 2011). Additionally, the journal of Multivariate Behavioral Research recently published a special issue on propensity score analyses with the intent of broadening the awareness of the rigor and utility of propensity score analysis methods for behavioral research (Pruzek, 2011).

In the absence of a randomized controlled trial, wherein covariates are accounted for by the process of randomization, propensity score analysis provides a promising mechanism by which one can assess causality while reducing confounding variables. Although there are four methods of using estimated propensity scores to assess treatment effects (stratification, matching, inverse probability of treatment weighting using the propensity score, and covariate adjustment using the propensity score), all methods attempt to balance covariates representing participant individual differences, reducing and/or eliminating the effects of confounding variables. There are advantages and disadvantages of each of the four methods. For a more detailed description of the four methods and their advantages and disadvantages, readers are referred to Austin (2011), Luellen et al. (2005), Rosenbaum and Rubin (1985) and West et al. (2000).

2.4.2. Multilevel Modeling

Multilevel modeling should be utilized in designs wherein observations are nested within a higher level unit (Gibbons, Hedeker, Elkin et al., 1993, Raudenbush and Bryk, 2002). An example of nested data is in designs wherein there are multiple observations for a given patient. In the present study, multilevel modeling was used to explore differences in growth trends in mental health recovery scores over time between PCMH and SAU participants. More specifically, the target model includes two levels such that repeated mental health recovery assessments (level one) are nested within individual patients (level two). Propensity scores were entered as a fixed, time-invariant covariate. A variable indicating days since baseline assessment was entered at the repeated assessment level, and the cross-level interaction between days since baseline assessment and treatment group condition was entered at the patient level. The model will be fitted using the expectation maximization algorithm until convergence, or until a specified number of iterations have been reached. At that point, maximization switches to a gradient-based method.

Consistent with Leckie (2013), first a two-level variance components model was specified and fit to patients' mental health recovery scores. This model included only an intercept, patient random effects, and a repeated assessment level residual error term. This model did not make any adjustments for explanatory variables (days since baseline, treatment group condition), but did include patient propensity score to serve as a fixed, time-invariant covariate. This model decomposes the total variance in mental health recovery scores into separate patient, and repeated assessment variance components. Following the two-level variance components models, the days since baseline

assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days interaction explanatory variables were introduced at the repeated level of the two-level model. The treatment group condition variable was then introduced as a random effect at the patient level. Afterward, a full multivariate model was assessed by including the treatment group condition by days cross level interaction effect at the patient level.

For each model, a variance partition coefficient (VPC) was obtained to indicate the proportion of variance in mental health recovery scores attributed to differences in each of the explanatory variables. Z-tests and corresponding p-values were assessed to determine the statistical significance of the fixed effect of the explanatory variables when including them in each of the models. Log-likelihood ratio (LR) test statistics, chi-square difference ($\Delta\chi^2$) test statistics, and comparative fit indices (CFI) were calculated to assess differences in overall model fit in comparison to the variance components model. Obtained LR and $\Delta\chi^2$ statistics were compared to critical test values at $\alpha = .05$ to assess statistically significant improvements in model fit. Obtained CFI values greater than 0.90 were indicative of descriptive improvements in model fit (Bentler, 1990). The LR test statistics were continued to be used along with change in Akaike information criterion (AIC) to assess statistical and descriptive differences in overall model fit with every iteration of including days since baseline assessment as an explanatory variable. Lower AIC values were indicative better fit (Burnham and Anderson, 2002).

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Chapter 3. Results

3.1. PCMH Participant Demographics

Between the implementation of the PCMH in March of 2011 through December of 2013, the care of 215 individuals was transferred from the County mental health treatment programs to the PCMH across the FHC sites. Of these participants, 200 were identified in Anasazi allowing for the abstraction of demographic information. Of these 200 participants, 94 were female and 106 were male. The majority of PCMH participants (n = 96) were White, followed by Hispanic (n = 69), African American (n = 32), Asian/Pacific Islander (n = 1), and other race/ethnicity (n = 2). The majority of PCMH participants were diagnosed with major depressive disorder (n = 69), schizophrenia and/or schizoaffective disorder (n = 67), or a bipolar disorder (n = 53). The remaining PCMH participants were diagnosed with an anxiety disorder (n = 5), another psychotic disorder (n = 3) or another depressive disorder (n = 3). Most PCMH participants live independently (n = 165), though some are homeless (n = 17), live in a board and care (n = 10), or have another living arrangement (n = 8). A majority of PCMH participants completed a minimum of a high school education (n = 154). Of these participants, 35 completed less than 2 years of college, 11 earned an associate's degree, 18 completed more than 2 years of college, 24 earned a bachelor's degree, 1 completed some graduate school, 2 completed a master's degree, and 1 completed a doctoral degree. Most PCMH participants were unemployed (n = 155), 35 were employed for compensation and 6 were employed not for compensation/volunteer work. Approximately half (n = 94) of PCMH participants were uninsured at PCMH implementation, 96 were insured with Medi

Cal/Medicare only, and 10 were privately insured or insured with a combination of both Medi Cal/Medicare and private insurance.

Baseline mental health recovery information was available for 214 PCMH participants. Clinician reported mental health recovery was assessed with the IMR. Total IMR scores were 3.64 on average (sd. = .51) at baseline for PCMH participants. Factor 1 Recovery scores were 3.34 on average (sd. = .73). Factor 2 Management scores were 3.38 on average (sd. = .77). Factor 3 Substance scores were 4.77 on average (sd. = .77). Patient self-reported mental health recovery was assessed with the RMQ. Total RMQ scores were 3.58 on average (sd. = .73).

3.2. Propensity Scores

Propensity scores were created to facilitate the establishment of a comparison group of SAU patients similar to that of PCMH participants on a number of observed covariates. Specifically, this propensity score represents the probability of treatment assignment conditional on a number of observed baseline demographic and mental health recovery characteristics.

To create the propensity scores, demographic and mental health recovery characteristics from all patients receiving care from any of the San Diego County outpatient mental health treatment programs were pulled from the Anasazi and the Health Outcomes Management System. Univariate chi-square and independent samples t-tests were assessed to explore differences in baseline demographic and mental health recovery characteristics between PCMH and the full population SAU patients with mental health recovery data. Results from these analyses can be seen in Table 4.

PCMH and SAU patients differed significantly with regard to their racial/ethnic composition ($\chi^2 (5) = 37.55, p < .001$), employment ($\chi^2 (2) = 19.09, p < .001$), education ($t(20122) = -1.98, p = .048$), total IMR scores ($t(22565) = -8.87, p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($t(22553) = -6.27, p < .001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($t(22526) = -9.12, p < .001$), IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($t(22118) = -2.76, p = .006$) and total RMQ scores ($t(2472) = -3.21, p = .001$). PCMH and SAU patients did not differ significantly with regard to gender ($\chi^2 (1) = 1.27, p = .260$), diagnosis ($\chi^2 (11) = 14.57, p = .203$), living arrangement ($\chi^2 (6) = 11.97, p = .063$), or insurance ($\chi^2 (2) = 1.65, p = .437$).

Rosenbaum and Rubin (1983) describe an iterative approach to specifying a propensity score model. Using this approach, an initial propensity score model was specified such that the probability of having been transferred into the PCMH condition was predicted using the abovementioned baseline demographic and mental health recovery characteristics. After which, the comparability of PCMH and SAU patients was assessed. Categorical predictor variables with more than two values were naturally coded upon entry into the propensity score model. If important residual systematic differences between treatment group conditions remained, the initial propensity score model was modified. This process was repeated in an iterative fashion until systematic differences in observed baseline covariates between PCMH and SAU were either eliminated or reduced to an acceptable level such that the distribution of observed baseline covariates was similar between PCMH and SAU patients in each of several strata.

Using this approach, the final model regressed the probability of having been transferred into the PCMH treatment condition on race/ethnicity, living situation,

insurance status, education, total IMR scores at baseline, IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores at baseline, IMR Factor 2 Management scores at baseline, and IMR Factor 3 Substance score at baseline. Using the common support option such that individuals with resulting propensity scores that are not shared between PCMH and SAU conditions are excluded, six strata were created such that the mean propensity score within each stratum was similar between PCMH and SAU participants. See Table 5 and Figure 1 for more information regarding the resulting propensity scores for PCMH and SAU participants.

3.3. Multilevel Modeling

Multilevel modeling was used to explore differences in growth trends in mental health recovery scores over time between PCMH and SAU participants for the clinician reported mental health recovery measures and the client self-reported mental health recovery measures with the abovementioned propensity scores entered as a fixed, time-invariant covariate. Variables indicating treatment group condition, days since baseline assessment, and the cross level interaction between days since baseline assessment and treatment group condition were entered as random, time-varying covariates.

3.3.1. Clinician Reported Mental Health Recovery

Model 1. Separate two-level variance components models including only an intercept, patient identifier, a repeated assessment level residual error term, and the patient propensity scores was assessed first for total IMR scores, IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, Factor 2 Management scores, and Factor 3 Substance scores.

This variance components model indicated a mean total IMR score of 2.7887 with std. error of .0052. Between patient variance in total IMR scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.2468$. The estimated within-patient-between repeated assessment variance in total IMR scores was

$\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.5788$. The patient level VPC for total IMR is calculated as $(.2468)/((.2468) + (.5788)) = 0.2989$. The within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC for total IMR is calculated as $(.5788)/((.2468) + (.5788)) = 0.7011$. As such, ~30% of the variation in total IMR scores lies between participants, and ~70% lies within patients between assessments. The likelihood ratio (LR) test comparing this model to a single-level model without patient level effects indicated a two-level model offers a significantly better fit to the data than the single-level model ($\chi^2(1) = 1014.45, p < .0001$).

This variance components model indicated mean IMR Factor 1 Recovery score of 2.5070 with std. error of .0065. Between patient variance in IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.4284$. The estimated within-patient-between repeated assessment variance in IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.6112$. The patient level VPC for IMR Factor 1 Recovery is calculated 0.4121. The within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC for IMR Factor 1 Recovery is calculated as 0.5879. As such, ~41% of the variation in IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores lies between participants, and ~59% lies within patients between assessments. The likelihood ratio (LR) test comparing this model to a single-level model without participant and treatment group condition effects indicated a two-level model offers a significantly better fit to the data than the single-level model ($\chi^2(1) = 2381.49, p < .0001$).

This variance components model indicated a mean IMR Factor 2 Management score of 2.0139 with a std. error of .0062. Between patient variance in IMR Factor 2 Management scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.3443$. The estimated within-patient-between repeated assessment variance in IMR Factor 2 Management scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.6381$. The patient level VPC for IMR Factor 2 Management is calculated as 0.3505. The within-patient-

between repeated assessment level VPC for IMR Factor 2 Management is calculated as 0.6495. As such, ~35% of the variation in IMR Factor 2 Management scores lies between participants, and ~65% lies within patients between assessments. The likelihood ratio (LR) test comparing this model to a single-level model without participant and treatment group condition effects indicated a two-level model offers a significantly better fit to the data than the single-level model ($\chi^2 (1) = 1615.46, p < .0001$).

This variance components model indicated a mean IMR Factor 3 Substance score of 4.5497 with a std. error of .0082. Between patient variance in IMR Factor 3 Substance scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.5781$. The estimated within-patient-between repeated assessment variance in IMR Factor 3 Substance scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.7108$. The patient level VPC for IMR Factor 3 Substance is calculated as 0.4485. The within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC for IMR Factor 3 Substance is calculated as 0.5515. As such, ~45% of the variation in IMR Factor 3 Substance scores lies between participants, and ~55% lies within patients between assessments. The likelihood ratio (LR) test comparing this model to a single-level model without participant and treatment group condition effects indicated a two-level model offers a significantly better fit to the data than the single-level model ($\chi^2 (1) = 3007.28, p < .0001$).

Model 2. Following the two-level variance components models, the days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days interaction explanatory variables were introduced at the repeated assessment level. The z-tests confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = 20.92, p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 27.54, p < .001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 26.75, p < .001$), and IMR

Factor 3 Substance scores ($z = 2.66$, $p = .008$). Results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total IMR and factor scores also increase. Results suggest the fixed effect of treatment group condition does not improve the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = 1.41$, $p = .160$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = -0.32$, $p = .749$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 0.77$, $p = .441$), or for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.73$, $p = .467$). The z-tests regarding the fixed effect of the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction varied between total IMR and factor scores. Specifically, results suggest the fixed effect of this interaction does improve the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = 4.79$, $p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 1.99$, $p = .046$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 2.13$, $p = .033$), but does not improve the fit of the model for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.43$, $p = .667$).

Including days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and their interaction at the repeated assessment level affects the variance parameters. For total IMR scores, VPC differed from Model 1 to Model 2 such that the patient level VPC increased from 0.2989 to 0.3007, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC decreased from 0.7011 to 0.6993. For IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, VPC differed from Model 1 to Model 2 such that the patient level VPC increased from 0.4121 to 0.4125, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC decreased from 0.5879 to 0.5875. For IMR Factor 2 Management scores, VPC differed from Model 1 to Model 2 such that the patient level VPC decreased from 0.3505 to 0.3497, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.6495 to 0.6503. For IMR Factor 3 Substance scores, VPC differed from Model 1 to Model 2 such that the patient

level VPC increased from 0.4485 to 0.4489, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC decreased from 0.5515 to 0.5511.

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition and their interaction, for total IMR scores ($\chi^2(1) = 1033.04, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($\chi^2(1) = 2242.04, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($\chi^2(1) = 1562.06, p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($\chi^2(1) = 3008.63, p < .0001$). Additionally, likelihood-ratio and chi-square difference tests comparing Model 1 to Model 2 confirms that the addition of days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and their interaction significantly improves the fit of the model in comparison to the variance components models with regard to total IMR (LR $\chi^2(3) = 514.002, p < .0001$; $\Delta\chi^2(3) = 7327.14 < .0001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores (LR $\chi^2(3) = 760.912, p < .0001$; $\Delta\chi^2(3) = 5247.56.19, p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores (LR $\chi^2(3) = 730.202, p < .0001$; $\Delta\chi^2(3) = 13254.00, p < .0001$).

The resulting negative LR value assessing the effect of adding days since baseline assessment with regard to the overall fit of the model for IMR Factor 3 Substance (LR $\chi^2(3) = -31.728$) is an indication that the log-likelihoods for Model 1 and/or Model 2 may not be trustworthy. This is likely a result of many zero cells (Muthen, Mplus discussion, November 12, 2008). However, the $\Delta\chi^2$ also confirms that the addition of days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and their interaction, significantly improves the fit of the model in comparison to the variance components model with regard to IMR Factor 3 Substance ($\Delta\chi^2(3) = 208.33, p < .0001$). These results indicate between assessment heterogeneity in total IMR and factor scores is significantly

explained by days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and their interaction.

Despite statistically significant improvements in model fit, results suggest the addition of days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and their interaction at the repeated assessments level did not fit well descriptively for total IMR scores (CFI = 0.0694), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores (CFI = 0.1336), IMR Factor 2 Management scores (CFI = 0.1027), or IMR Factor 3 Substance scores (CFI = .0211). AIC values for total IMR scores, IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, IMR Factor 2 Management scores, and IMR Factor 3 Substances scores were 10668.77, 7425.19, 18956.51, and 353.79 respectively.

Model 3. Next the effect of treatment group condition was introduced as a patient level coefficient. Within this model, the z-tests again confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = 21.57$, $p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 27.60$, $p < .001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 26.93$, $p < .001$), and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($z = 2.66$, $p = .008$). Results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total IMR and factor scores also increase. Results suggest the fixed effect of treatment group condition does not improve the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = -0.20$, $p = .842$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = -0.59$, $p = .558$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 0.07$, $p = .945$), or for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.73$, $p = .467$). The z-tests regarding the fixed effect of the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction varied between total IMR and factor scores. Specifically, results suggest the fixed effect of this interaction does improve the fit of the model for total IMR

scores ($z = 6.97$, $p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 2.44$, $p = .015$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 2.97$, $p = .003$), but does not improve the fit of the model for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.43$, $p = .667$).

Including treatment group condition at the patient level affects the variance parameters. For total IMR scores, VPC differed from Model 2 to Model 3 such that the patient level VPC decreased from 0.3007 to 0.0911, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.6993 to 0.2958. The VPC indicating between patient variability in total IMR scores associated with treatment group condition was calculated as .6131. For IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, VPC differed from Model 2 to Model 3 such that the patient level VPC decreased from 0.4124 to 0.2954, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC decreased from 0.5875 to 0.4258. The VPC indicating between patient variability in Factor 1 Recovery scores associated with treatment group condition was calculated as .02788. For IMR Factor 2 Management scores, VPC differed from Model 2 to Model 3 such that the patient level VPC increased from 0.3389 to 0.3430, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.6503 to 0.6570. The VPC indicating between patient variability in Factor 2 Management scores associated with treatment group condition was calculated as 0.6288. For IMR Factor 3 Substance scores, VPC differed from Model 2 to Model 3 such that the patient level VPC and within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC remained the same at 0.4489 and 0.5511 respectively. The VPC indicating between patient variability in Factor 3 Substance scores associated with days since baseline assessment was calculated as <0.0001 .

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for treatment group condition at the patient level, for total IMR scores ($\chi^2 (2) = 2589.69, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($\chi^2 (2) = 2262.65, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($\chi^2 (2) = 1676.75, p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($\chi^2 (2) = 3008.63, p < .0001$). Additionally, likelihood-ratio tests comparing Model 2 to Model 3 confirms that the addition of treatment group condition at the patient level significantly improves the fit of the model with regard to total IMR (LR $\chi^2 (1) = 1556.656, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores (LR $\chi^2 (1) = 20.612, p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores (LR $\chi^2 (1) = 116.138, p < .0001$). Likelihood-ratio tests indicate no change in model fit between Model 2 and Model 3 associated with the addition of treatment group condition at the patient level for IMR Factor 3 Substance scores.

AIC values for Model 3 associated with total IMR scores, IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, and IMR Factor 2 Management, and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores demonstrated poorer overall model fit as values increased to 11491.73, 7440.01, 19039.31 and 359.79, respectively.

Model 4. Next the effects of the cross level interaction between treatment group condition and days since baseline assessment was introduced as a patient level coefficient. Within this model, the z-tests again confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = 23.75, p < .001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 27.61, p < .001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 26.95, p < .001$), and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($z = 2.66, p = .008$). Results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total IMR

and factor scores also increase. Results suggest the fixed effect of treatment group condition does not improve the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($z = -1.44$, $p = .148$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = -0.71$, $p = .475$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = -0.17$, $p = .868$), or for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.73$, $p = .467$). The z-tests regarding the fixed effect of the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction varied between total IMR and factor scores. Specifically, results suggest the fixed effect of this interaction does improve the fit of the model for total IMR scores ($\beta = .0010$, $z = 1.99$, $p = .047$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($z = 2.57$, $p = .010$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($z = 3.12$, $p = .002$), but does not improve the fit of the model for IMR Factor 3 Substances scores ($z = 0.43$, $p = .667$).

Including the cross level interaction between treatment group condition and days since baseline assessment at the patient level affects the variance parameters. For total IMR scores, VPC differed from Model 3 to Model 4 such that the patient level VPC increased from 0.0911 to 0.1488, the between patient VPC variability associated with treatment group condition decreased from 0.6131 to 0.5194, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.2958 to 0.3276. The VPC indicating between treatment group condition variability in total IMR scores associated with the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction was calculated as 0.0042. For IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, VPC differed from Model 3 to Model 4 such that the patient level VPC increased from 0.2954 to 0.3008, the between patient VPC variability associated with treatment group condition decreased from 0.2788 to 0.2659, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.4258 to 0.4330. The VPC indicating between treatment group condition variability in

Factor 1 Recovery scores associated with the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction was calculated as 0.0002. For IMR Factor 2 Management scores, VPC differed from Model 3 to Model 4 such that the patient level VPC decreased from 0.3430 to 0.2132, the between patient VPC variability associated with treatment group condition increased from 0.6288 to 0.3793, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC decreased from 0.6570 to 0.4071. The VPC indicating between patient variability in Factor 2 Management scores associated with the treatment group condition and days since baseline assessment interaction was calculated as 0.0003. For IMR Factor 3 Substance scores, VPC remained the same from Model 3 to Model 4 such that the patient level VPC remained at 0.4489, the between patient VPC associated with treatment group condition remained at <0.0001 , and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC remained at 0.4681. The VPC indicating between treatment group condition variability in IMR Factor 3 Substance scores associated with days since baseline assessment was calculated as <0.0001 .

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for the cross level interaction between treatment group condition and days since baseline assessment at the patient level, for total IMR scores ($\chi^2(3) = 7286.66, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores ($\chi^2(3) = 2265.87, p < .0001$), IMR Factor 2 Management scores ($\chi^2(3) = 1686.10, p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores ($\chi^2(3) = 3008.63, p < .0001$). Additionally, likelihood-ratio tests comparing Model 3 to Model 4 indicate that the addition of the cross level interaction between treatment group condition and days since baseline assessment at the patient level significantly improves the fit of the model with regard to total IMR scores (LR $\chi^2(1) =$

4696.97, $p < .0001$), and IMR Factor 2 Management scores (LR $\chi^2(1) = 7.9$, $p = .005$), but does not improve the fit of the model with regard to IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores (LR $\chi^2(1) = 3.22$, $p = .073$), or IMR Factor 3 Substance scores (LR $\chi^2(1) = 2.00$, $p = .158$). See figures 2 and 3 for a graphical representation of the change in mental health recovery scores for total IMR and IMR Factor 2 Management scores over time by SAU and PCMH participants.

AIC values for Model 4 associated with total IMR scores, IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores, IMR Factor 2 Management, and IMR Factor 3 Substance scores demonstrated poorer overall model fit as values increased to 13019.77, 7425.97, 19029.36 and remained at 359.79, respectively.

3.3.2. Patient Self-Reported Mental Health Recovery

Model 1. A two-level variance components model including only an intercept, patient level effects, a repeated assessment level residual error term, and the patient propensity scores was assessed for total RMQ scores.

This variance components model indicated a mean total RMQ score of 3.4650 with std. error of .0161. Between patient variance in total RMQ scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.5049$. The estimated within-patient-between repeated assessment variance in total RMQ scores was $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.4537$. The patient level VPC for total RMQ is calculated as 0.5267. The within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC for total RMQ is calculated as 0.4733. As such, ~53% of the variation in total RMQ scores lies between patients and ~47% lies within patients between assessments. The likelihood ratio (LR) test comparing this model to a single-level model without patient effects indicated a two-level model

offers a significantly better fit to the data than the single-level model ($\chi^2(1) = 1838.62$, $p < .0001$).

Model 2. Following the two-level variance components model, the days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction explanatory variables were introduced at the repeated assessment level. The z-tests confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total RMQ scores ($z = 6.25$, $p < .001$) while the fixed effect of treatment group condition ($z = -1.06$, $p = .289$) and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction ($z = -1.76$, $p = .078$) do not improve the fit of the model for total RMQ scores. These results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total RMQ scores also increase.

Including days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction explanatory variables at the repeated assessment level affects the variance parameters. For total RMQ scores, VPC differed from Model 1 to Model 2 such that the patient level VPC decreased slightly from 0.5267 to 0.5265, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased slightly from 0.4733 to 0.4735.

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction, for total RMQ scores ($\chi^2(1) = 1829.48$, $p < .0001$). While the likelihood-ratio test comparing Model 1 to Model 2 indicates the addition of days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days since

baseline assessment interaction explanatory variables does not improve the statistical fit of the model in comparison to the variance components model with regard to total RMQ (LR χ^2 (1) = 2.4898, $p = .477$), the chi-square difference test comparing Model 1 to Model 2 indicates the addition of these explanatory variables does improve model fit ($\Delta\chi^2$ (3) = 198.18, $p < .001$).

Results suggest the addition of days since baseline assessment, treatment group condition, and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction explanatory variables at the repeated assessments level did not fit well descriptively for total RMQ scores (CFI = 0.1534). The AIC value for Model 2 associated with total RMQ was 322.98.

Model 3. Next the effect of treatment group condition was introduced as a patient level random coefficient. The z-tests again confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total RMQ scores ($z = 6.25$, $p < .001$) while the fixed effect of treatment group condition ($z = -1.06$, $p = .289$) and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction ($z = -1.76$, $p = .078$) do not improve the fit of the model for total RMQ scores. These results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total RMQ scores also increase.

Including treatment group condition at the patient level affects the variance parameters. For total RMQ scores, VPC differed from Model 2 to Model 3 such that the patient level VPC remained at 0.5265, and the within-patient-between repeated assessment level VPC increased from 0.4524 to 0.4735. The VPC indicating between

patient variability in total RMQ scores associated with treatment group condition was calculated as <0.0001 .

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for treatment group condition at the patient level, for total RMQ scores ($\chi^2(2) = 1829.48, p < .0001$).

The LR value assessing the effect of adding treatment group condition at the patient level with regard to the overall fit of the model for total RMQ scores indicated no change in model fit (LR $\chi^2(1) = 0, p = 1$).

The AIC value for Model 3 associated with total RMQ scores demonstrated poorer overall model fit due to its increase to 326.98.

Model 4. Next the effects of the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment cross level interaction was introduced as a patient level random coefficient. The z-tests again confirm that the fixed effect of days since baseline assessment improves the fit of the model for total RMQ scores ($z = 6.25, p < .001$) while the fixed effect of treatment group condition ($z = -1.06, p = .289$) and the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction ($z = -1.76, p = .078$) do not improve the fit of the model for total RMQ scores. These results suggest that within patients, as days since baseline assessment increase, total RMQ scores also increase.

Including the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment cross level interaction at the patient level had minimal effects on the variance parameters. For total RMQ scores, VPC differed from Model 3 to Model 4 such that the patient level VPC remained at 0.5265, the between patient VPC variability associated with treatment group condition remained the same at <0.0001 , and the within-patient-between repeated

assessment level VPC remained at 0.4735. The VPC indicating variability in total RMQ scores associated with the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment cross level interaction was calculated as <0.0001 .

Likelihood-ratio tests suggest a two-level model is still preferred to its single-level counterpart, even after adjusting for days since baseline assessment at the treatment group condition level, for total RMQ scores ($\chi^2 (3) = 1829.48, p < .0001$). The likelihood-ratio tests comparing Model 3 to Model 4 indicates no change in model fit with regard to total RMQ scores (LR $\chi^2 (1) = 0, p = 1$).

The AIC value for Model 4 associated with total RMQ scores demonstrated no change in descriptive model fit in comparison to Model 3 (AIC = 326.98).

These results suggest that between patient heterogeneity in total RMQ scores was not significantly, nor descriptively, explained by the treatment group condition by days since baseline assessment interaction. While RMQ scores generally improved within patients over time, improvements did not vary as a function of treatment group condition.

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Chapter 4. Discussion

After equating SAU and PCMH participants on observable baseline characteristics with propensity scores, the outcome of multilevel modeling suggests mixed results with regard to growth trends in mental health recovery over time between SAU and PCMH participants. For both clinician and patient ratings of mental health recovery, results suggest within patient increases in mental health recovery over time irrespective of treatment group condition. Despite this similarity in results between clinician and patient ratings of mental health recovery, results regarding between treatment group condition heterogeneity in mental health recovery ratings over time differed between clinician and patient ratings.

With regard to provider ratings of patient mental health recovery, results suggested within patient increases in ratings of mental health recovery over time for total IMR and IMR factor scores. However, results suggested that increases in ratings over time with regard to total IMR and IMR Factor 2 Management scores varied as function of treatment group. Specifically, these results suggested that for total IMR and IMR Factor 2 Management scores, the increases in mental health recovery scores over time were greater for PCMH participants than SAU participants. Interestingly, increases in IMR Factor 1 Recovery and IMR Factor 3 Substances scores over time did not vary between PCMH and SAU participants.

With regard to patient ratings of their own mental health recovery, results again suggested within patient increases in ratings of mental health recovery over time for total RMQ scores. Although there were between group differences in clinician reported mental health recovery over time as assessed with the total IMR or IMR Factor 2 Management

scores, results suggested no differences in total RMQ scores over time between PCMH and SAU participants. Within patient self-reported ratings of mental health recovery increased over time to a similar degree for both PCMH and SAU participants.

The finding that total IMR and IMR Factor 2 Management scores varied as a function of treatment group condition, while IMR Factor 1 Recovery, IMR Factor 3 Substance scores, and total RMQ scores were similar between groups, is quite interesting especially when considering the role of the PCMH in enhancing progress toward mental health recovery. IMR Factor 2 Management scores represent a patient's symptom distress/relapse, impairment of functioning, and psychiatric hospitalization. IMR Factor 1 Recovery scores represent a patient's progress toward personal goals, mental illness knowledge, involvement in self-help activities, and involvement of family/friends in treatment. IMR Factor 3 Substance scores represent impairment of functioning through alcohol and/or drug use. Total IMR scores are comprised of these three factors. The findings of this study suggest the PCMH may facilitate a patient's illness management to a greater degree than SAU, and that greater illness management may be what's driving enhances in overall mental health recovery.

There may be features of the PCMH model of healthcare delivery that contribute to greater management of symptoms and functioning, and prevention of relapse and psychiatric hospitalizations, than SAU. Prior research has elucidated several common structure and/or process-related clinical indicators of the PCMH in practice that theoretically align with a recovery-oriented model of mental health service delivery, particularly with regard to illness self-management. These include screening and

preventive care processes, patient-guided health management, and improved access to medical records with subsequent utilization and continuity of services.

At the heart of the recovery-oriented model of healthcare is the collaboration between patients and providers (Hornick Ralph, and Salmons, 1999; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1999) and research suggests consensus about treatment goals and collaboration between patient and provider predicts better treatment outcomes (Tryon and Winograd, 2011). Structure and process-related clinical indicators of the PCMH regarding patient-guided health management and improved access to medical records and services may facilitate greater collaboration between patients and providers regarding their own healthcare and treatment goals. For example, providing PCMH providers and patients with access to patient medical records through the secure, online, Health Outcomes Management System (HOMS) can enhance monitoring of objective health outcomes over time. Furthermore, discussions between patient and provider regarding these health outcomes over time may also enhance greater collaboration in patient healthcare and treatment goals. It is possible these structure and process-related clinical indicators of the PCMH aided in the similar and/or increased mental health recovery ratings over time as compared to SAU.

While the traditional medical model for the treatment of mental illness focused on symptom stability, a critical component of the recovery-oriented model of healthcare is treatment that focuses on more than just symptom relief (Barton, 1998). PCMH process-related clinical indicators focusing on screening and preventive care may facilitate treatment that is more comprehensive in nature, rather than treatment that is narrowly focused on relief of symptoms when present. Processes devoted to the screening of health

indicators may not only aid in the prevention and early intervention of more severe conditions, but also communicates to patients that their overall health and wellness is valued in addition to the elimination of symptoms if/when they emerge. These screening and preventive care processes may also communicate to patients the value of taking a proactive approach to one's healthcare and treatment goals. This proactive approach may also encourage patient-guided health management, as described above, further reinforcing the similarities between the PCMH service delivery model and the recovery-oriented service delivery model.

Although similar or greater increases in mental health recovery over time were found in the PCMH as compared to SAU, implementation of the PCMH did not occur exactly as planned and/or contracted. This is perhaps most evident when examining the number of patients that were transferred into the PCMH from the County mental health clinics. The County of San Diego has proposed its PCMH would reach a total of 600 participants by the end of the project's first year, with 150 participants referred to the PCMH from the primary care clinics and 150 participants referred to the PCMH from the mental health clinics within the project's first six months (County Agreement Number 536234). Actual utilization data demonstrated that only 215 patients' care was transferred into the PCMH from the County mental health treatment programs from March of 2011 through December of 2013. The care of only 38 of these patients was transferred in the first 6 months following the program's inception.

Semi-structured interviews with PCMH staff have illuminated shared concerns across staff "that the program was slow to populate" (County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, June 1, 2012, p. 11). Clinical and support staff reported not

knowing what caused the issue while administrative staff identified the eligibility criteria as the main reason more patients had not been transferred into the PCMH. Specifically, the process of determining eligibility varied between providers and administrative staff, and also changed throughout the course of implementation. Initially, eligible participants were to have a Milestones of Recovery Scale (MORS) (Pilon & Ragins, 2007) score of 6 (Coping/rehabilitation), 7 (Early Recovery), or 8 (Advanced Recovery) as determined by Areta Crowell program staff. Results from these semi-structured interviews indicate Areta Crowell program staff did not often rate their patients with MORS scores of 6 or greater (County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, June 1, 2012). Furthermore, results indicate Areta Crowell program staff members were reluctant to transfer patients into the PCMH until PCMH staff “got accustomed to seeing their clients” (J. Leich, personal communication, May 13, 2013). Results also suggest Areta Crowell program staff determined patient eligibility for transfer by assessing “stability of home environment, having a good record of keeping appointments, and not missing any appointments in the last six months in addition to/rather than MORS scores (J. Leich, personal communication, May 13, 2013). In an effort to transfer more patients into the PCMH, eligibility criteria changed post-implementation such that patients with MORS scores of 5 or greater were deemed eligible. Additionally, a screening tool that does not include MORS scores was developed to help distribute the work of identifying eligible patients across the mental health clinic providers (J. Leich, personal communication, May 13, 2013). These results illustrate that the transfer of patients from the County mental health clinic into the PCMH was not implemented in a reliable fashion, but rather determined subjectively by County mental health clinic staff.

Because the transfer of patients from the County mental health clinic into the PCMH was not implemented in a reliable fashion, qualitative differences may exist between patients selected for transfer into the PCMH and patients selected to remain in SAU. While propensity score analyses facilitate the equating of treatment group conditions on baseline characteristics, it is limited to the equating of groups on observed characteristics. As a result, significant biases may remain (Michalopoulos, Bloom & Hill, 2004). Without reliable identification and assessment of the characteristics used for determining eligibility for transfer into the PCMH, equating groups on these unknown characteristics is an inherent challenge.

Despite the difficulty inherent in equating groups on these unknown characteristics, using instruments with high criterion and construct related validity with these unmeasured characteristics can aid in decreasing this bias. Theory and prior research has illustrated the IMR scales that were included in the development of propensity scores in this study demonstrate high criterion and construct related validity with the characteristics reportedly used in determining patient eligibility for transfer into the PCMH but were not formally assessed (Sklar, Sarkin, Groessler, & Gilmer, 2012). Significant positive relationships were found between total IMR and factor scores and progress toward housing goals, employment goals, and education goals. Convergence in IMR scores with assessments of substance use was also found such that increases in mental health recovery were associated with less substance use. Additionally, the IMR scales measure psychiatric hospitalizations, effectiveness of medication use, relapse of symptoms, and impairment of functioning. Consequently, using the IMR for the

development of propensity scores may account for differences in PCMH and SAU participants at baseline not otherwise assessed.

It is important to consider the possibility that the differences in providers' ratings of mental health recovery over time between PCMH and SAU patients may be a function of greater motivation for PCMH providers to demonstrate progress than SAU providers. The PCMH was implemented as a County of San Diego Innovations PHIP pilot. It is one of five MHSA components designed specifically to foster new approaches to increasing knowledge about serving the mental health needs of San Diego County communities (County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, June 1, 2012). Given the program status as an Innovation pilot that was recently funded by the MHSA, there are likely processes in place to monitor the PCMH structures, processes, and outcomes to a greater degree than monitoring taking place in SAU. There may also be greater incentive to demonstrate program effectiveness in the PCMH than in SAU in order to secure continued and/or additional financial support to maintain the program following the pilot period. The fact that patient self-ratings of mental health recovery over time did not differ between PCMH and SAU patients is potential support for the hypothesis that differences in provider ratings of mental health recovery over time between PCMH and SAU patients was driven by greater motivation for providers to demonstrate program effectiveness in the PCMH than SAU. Nonetheless, these results have important implications as interest regarding the PCMH model of healthcare delivery and its potential to improve the quality of health care in the United States grows.

These results provide support that the PCMH can serve as an alternative model of healthcare delivery for patients with severe mental illness without sacrificing the mental

health recovery of these patients. Furthermore, these results provide support that even greater increases in mental health recovery over time can be expected when patients with severe mental illness are provided healthcare through the PCMH model of service delivery than through services as usual. While other studies have demonstrated the promise the PCMH model of healthcare delivery holds for improving the physiological health of its patients, this is the first study that demonstrates the promise the PCMH model of healthcare delivery holds for improving the mental health recovery of its patients.

The results of this study are particularly relevant when considering the PCMH model is an important component of health care transformation in the United States (Davis, Abrams, and Stremikis, 2011). The Affordable Care Act (ACA) has features that inherently support and promote the PCMH model of service delivery. Among others, these provisions include financially incentivizing state Medicaid programs to transfer select patients into medical home healthcare, funding the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to test innovative models of healthcare such as the PCMH, and supporting the information technology infrastructure investments the PCMH model requires. The ACA is also transforming the way in which healthcare providers are delivering care as its push for integrated care particularly in the primary care system is supporting more collaborative, multi and/or interdisciplinary models of service delivery like the PCMH. While many are hesitant to embrace healthcare reform in the United States, the results of this study demonstrate the potential benefits of the ACA in facilitating greater improvements in mental health recovery over time through the support of the PCMH.

As the PCMH model of healthcare delivery continues to spread across the United States, another area for future research is the economics of service provision under the PCMH vs. specialty behavioral health services, particularly with regard to the long term economic impacts of implementing PCMH model. Previous reports have demonstrated mixed results with regard to the overall costs of the PCMH, and direct comparisons between studies are difficult due to the significant variations in the way costs are measured (Hoff, Weller and DePuccio, 2012). Milstein and Gilbertson (2009) identified four PCMHs wherein patients incurred 15-20% less costs than comparison non-PCMH sites, without evidence of reduced quality of care. Studies have shown that the Community Care of North Carolina's PCMH program resulted in a reduction in per member per month cost by 17% in 2004 and by 11% in 2007 (Fortune-Greeley and Greene, 2009) Other studies have also found significant savings associated with aspects of the PCMH (Dorr, Wilcox, Brunker, et al., 2008). Other studies found either no significant differences in costs or spending (Gilfillan, Tomcavage, Rosenthal, et. Al., 2010), or results were mixed (Reid, Fishman, Yu, et al, 2009).

This study is among the first to assess the impact of transformation efforts on mental health recovery and is among the first that demonstrates the promise the PCMH model of healthcare delivery holds for improving the mental health recovery of its patients. Through the use of rigorous statistical techniques equating treatment group conditions in the absence of randomization with propensity scores, and multilevel modeling to account for the nested data structure of repeated assessments within individual patients, results support the notion that similar or greater increases in mental health recovery over time can be expected when patients with severe mental illness are

provided treatment through the PCMH than through services as usual. These results hold tremendous implications as interest regarding the potential for the PCMH model of healthcare delivery to improve the quality of health care in the United States grows. With continued implementation of the PCMH to treat clients with severe mental illness, additional rigorous evaluative efforts should be taken to inform more wide-spread adoption.

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Table. 1. Joint principles of the patient-centered medical home.

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1. **Personal physician:** Each patient has an ongoing relationship with a personal physician who provides first contact, continuous, and comprehensive care.
 2. **Physician directed medical practice:** The personal physician leads a team of individuals at the practice level who collectively take responsibility for the ongoing care of patients.
 3. **Whole person orientation:** The personal physician is responsible for providing for all the patient's health care needs or taking responsibility for appropriately arranging care with other qualified professionals. This includes care for all stages of life; acute care; chronic care; preventive services; and end of life care.
 4. **Care is coordinated and/or integrated:** Coordination and integration across the care continuum, including chronic illness care and prevention, facilitated by information technology.
 5. **Quality and safety:** Emphasis on quality and safety including use of evidence-based decision support, performance feedback to physicians, active engagement in quality improvement activities, and focus on patient experience.
 6. **Enhanced access:** Timely access to the care and improved methods of communication between patient and the health care team.
 7. **Payment reform:** Calls for payment structure that combines fee-for-service, pay-for performance, and a separate payment for care coordination and integration. Explicitly intended to compensate for care coordination, care management, and medical consultation outside the traditional face-to-face visit. Includes for financial recognition of case-mix differences, the adoption and use of clinical information technology for quality improvement, savings from reduced hospitalizations, and the achievement of quality targets.
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Table 2. Projected characteristics of PCMH patients.

Racial/Ethnic Category	Sex/Gender			Total
	Females	Males	Unknown	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3	3	0	6
Asian or Pacific Islander	10	8	0	18
Black, not of Hispanic Origin	48	42	0	90
Hispanic	105	91	0	196
White, not of Hispanic Origin	150	130	1	281
Other or Unknown	5	4	0	9
Total of All Subjects	321	278	1	600

Table 3. Demographic and Mental Health Recovery Differences between Services As Usual (SAU) and Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Patients at Baseline.

	SAU		PCMH	
	n	%	n	%
Gender				
Female	10947	51	94	47
Male	10516	49	106	53
Race/Ethnicity***				
White	10554	51.1	96	48
African American	2562	12.4	32	16
Asian/Pacific Islander	1516	7.3	1	0.5
Hispanic	4649	22.5	69	34.5
Native American	187	0.9	0	0
Other	1200	5.8	2	1
Diagnosis				
Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective Disorder	7139	34.3	67	33.5
Bipolar Disorders	4233	20.3	53	26.5
Major Depressive Disorders	6614	31.7	69	34.5
Other Psychotic Disorders	623	3	3	1.5
Other Depression	811	3.9	3	1.5
Anxiety Disorders	1097	5.3	5	2.5
Dysthymia	7	0	0	0
Adjustment Disorders	92	0.4	0	0
Alcohol Use Disorder	28	0.1	0	0
Substance Use Disorder	37	0.2	0	0
Cognitive Disorders	16	0.1	0	0
Other	137	0.7	0	0
Living Arrangement				
Lives Independently	15857	75.5	165	82.5
Board & Care	1920	9.1	10	5
Homeless	1881	9	17	8.5
Institutional	284	1.4	0	0
Justice Related	125	0.6	0	0
Other	659	3.1	8	4
Unknown	268	1.3	0	0

Table 3. Demographic and Mental Health Recovery Differences between Services As Usual (SAU) and Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Patients at Baseline.

Employment***				
Unemployed	17332	88.6	155	79.1
Employed for Compensation	1762	9	35	17.9
Employed not for Compensation/Volunteer	462	2.4	6	3.1
Insurance				
Uninsured	11171	49.9	94	47
Medi Cal/Medicare Only	10436	46.6	96	48
Private	787	3.5	10	5
Education (mean years/sd)*	12.08	2.85	12.48	2.64
IMR Total (mean/sd)***	3.04	0.66	3.6	0.51
F1: Recovery (mean/sd)***	2.74	0.85	3.34	0.73
F2: Management (mean/sd)***	2.46	0.96	3.38	0.77
F3: Substance (mean/sd)**	4.63	0.93	4.77	0.77
RMQ Total (mean/sd)**	3.57	0.74	3.74	0.59
* = p < .05; ** = p < .01; *** = p < .001				

Table 4. Propensity Scores for PCMH and SAU Participants.

Inferior of Block of Propensity Score	Treatment Group		Total
	SAU	PCMH	
0.00142	7626	19	7645
0.00625	3820	39	3859
0.0125	2836	63	2889
0.025	1447	55	1502
0.05	395	15	410
0.1	3	1	4
Total	16117	192	16309

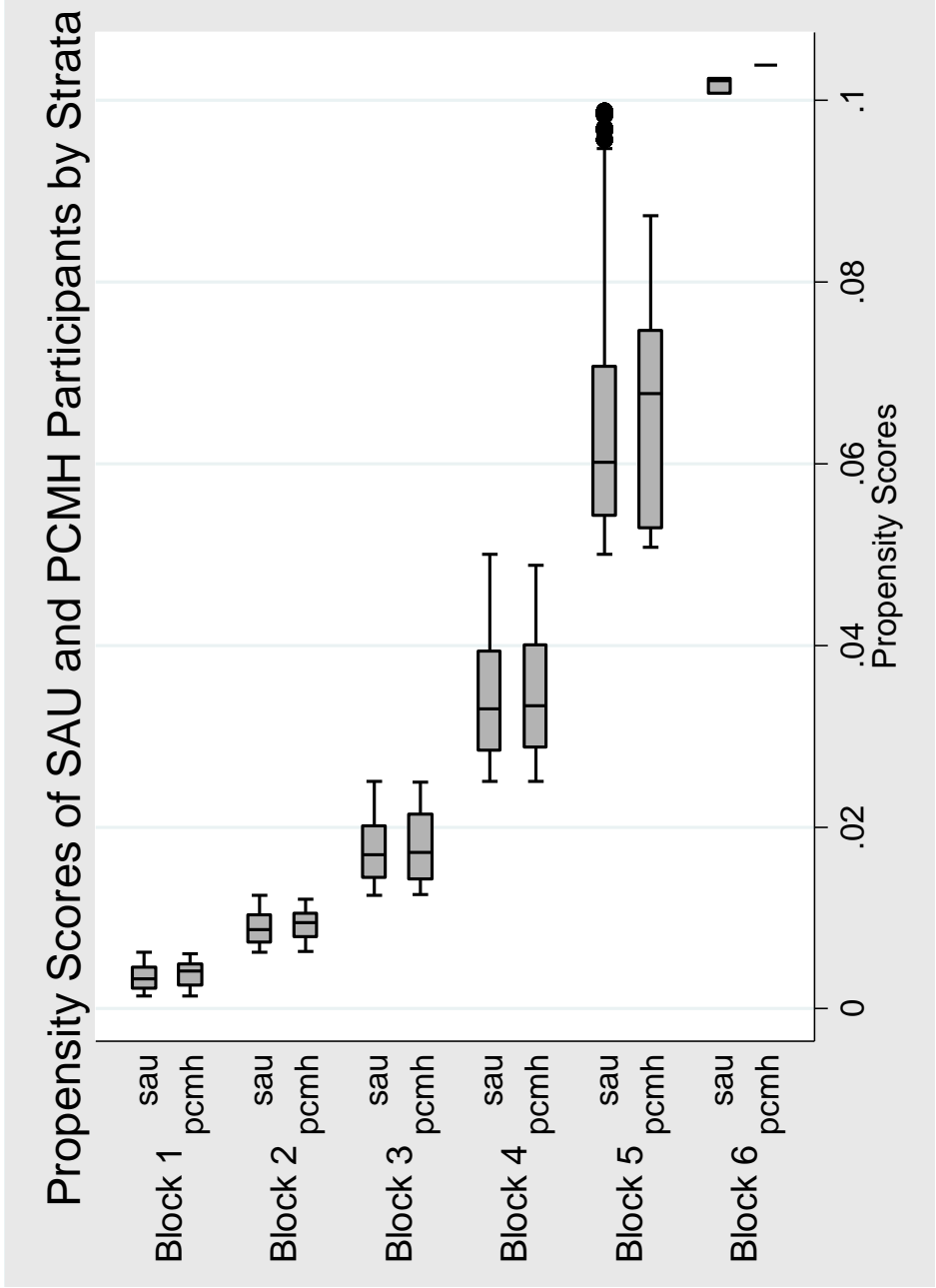


Figure 1. Propensity Scores for SAU and PCMH Participants by Strata.

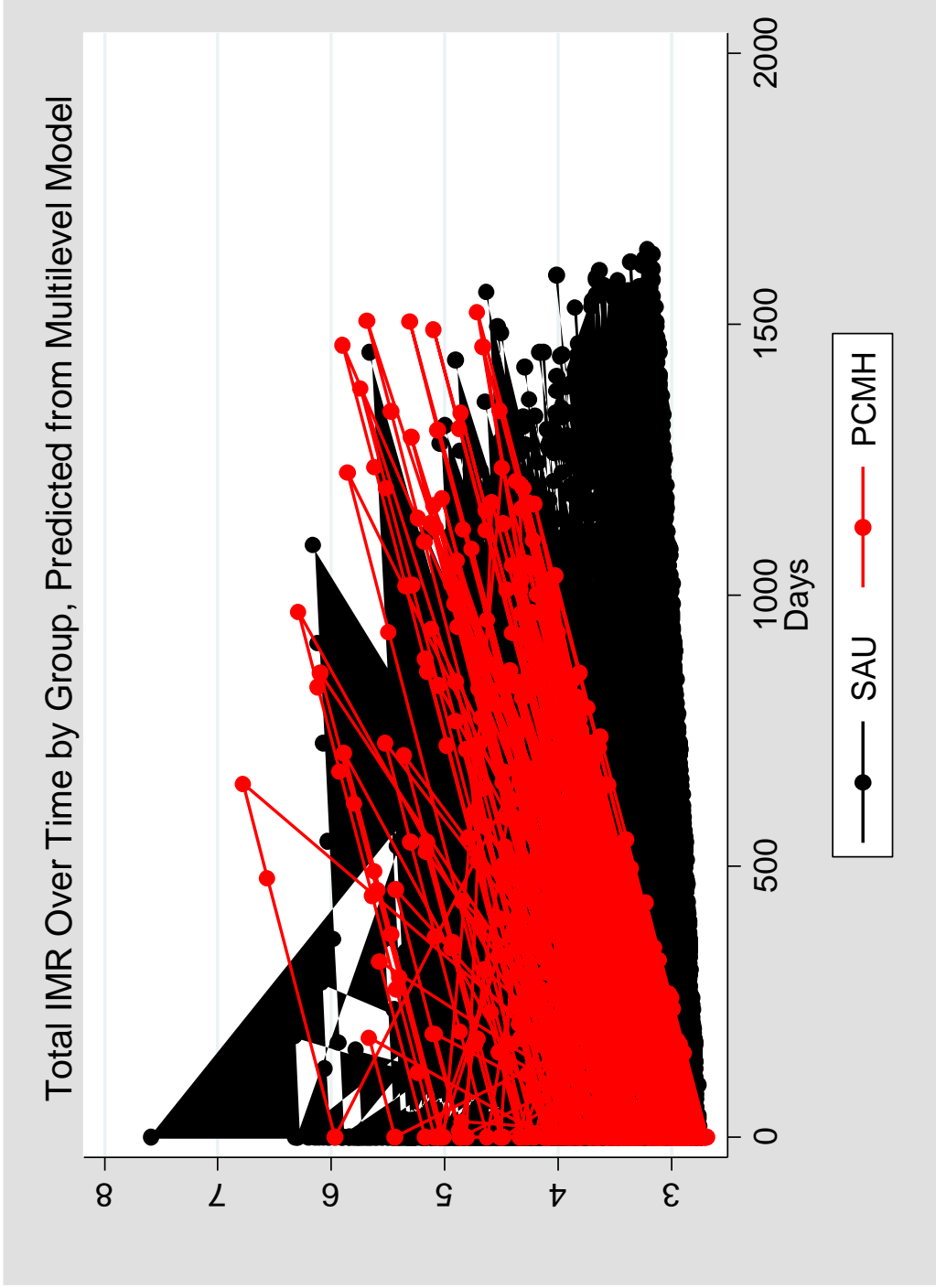


Figure 2. Total IMR scores over time for SAU and PCMH participants predicted from multilevel model.

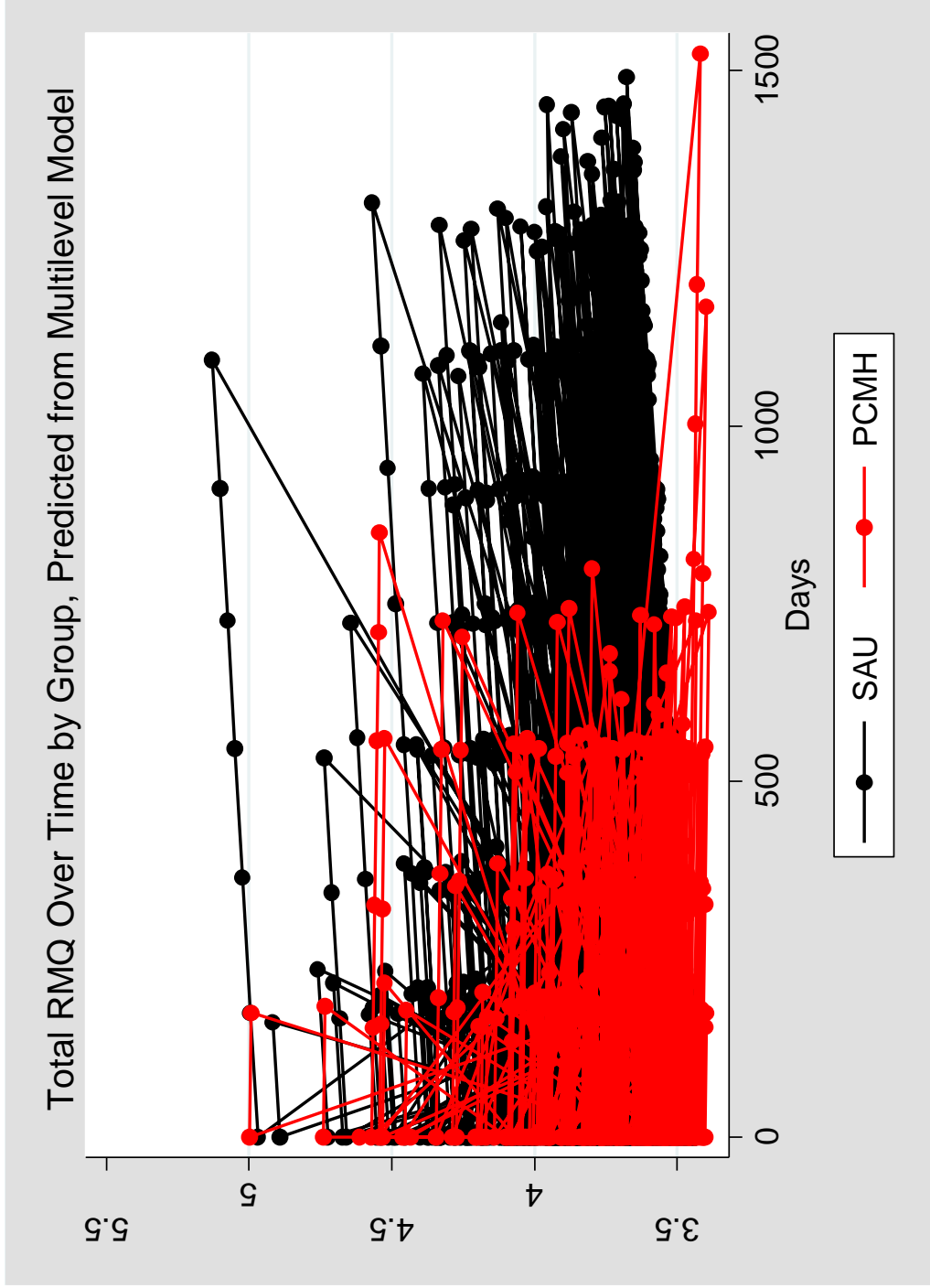


Figure 3. Total RMQ scores over time for SAU and PCMH participants predicted from multilevel model.

Appendix A:

Illness Management and Recovery Scale

The Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) client and clinician scales were developed by the Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center²² to assess progress over time in other mental illness self-management treatment programs. Items for the IMR scales were generated by IMR practitioners and consumers with severe mental illness to address the strategies targeted by the IMR program. The items were selected and re-worded per clinician and consumer feedback, and the resulting 15-item scale was formatted for a client self-report measure and a clinician-reported measure³⁵. Studies assessing the psychometric properties of the IMR scales have found adequate estimates of convergent validity with measures thought to relate to the construct of recovery, and internal consistency^{23,24}. Recently, the San Diego County Adult Mental Health Services began using the clinician version of the IMR scale in outpatient treatment programs to assess client recovery during intake assessments and treatment planning appointments occurring approximately every six months after intake. Analyses assessing the psychometric properties of the IMR clinician scale within this population (n = 10,659) suggest moderately high estimates of internal consistency ($\alpha = .82$), and that the scale can be reduced into three interrelated factors, Recovery, Management, and Substance²⁵.

1. Progress towards personal goals: In the past 3 months, s/he has come up with...

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
No personal goals	A personal goal, but has not done anything to finish the goal	A personal goal and made it a little way toward finishing it	A personal goal and has gotten pretty far in finishing the goal	A personal goal and has finished it

2. Knowledge: How much do you feel your client knows about symptoms, treatment, coping strategies (coping methods), and medication?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not very much	A little	Some	Quite a bit	A great deal

3. Involvement of family and friends in my mental health treatment: How much are people like family, friends, boyfriends/girlfriends, and other people who are important to your client (outside the mental health agency) involved in his/her mental health treatment?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not at all	Only when there is a serious problem	Sometimes, like when things are starting to go badly	Much of the time	A lot of the time and they really help with his/her mental health

4. Contact with people outside of my family: In a normal week, how many times does s/he talk to someone outside of his/her family (like a friend, co-worker, classmate, roommate, etc.)

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
0 times/week	1-2 times/week	3-4 times/week	6-7 times/week	8 or more times/week

5. Time in Structured Roles: How much time does s/he spend working, volunteering, being a student, being a parent, taking care of someone else or someone else's house or apartment? That is, how much time does s/he spend in doing activities for or with another person that are expected of him/her? (This would not include self-care or personal home maintenance.)

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2 hours or less/week	3-4 hours/week	6-15 hours/week	16-30 hours/week	More than 30 hours/week

6. Symptom distress: How much do symptoms bother him/her?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Symptoms really bother him/her a lot	Symptoms bother him/her quite a bit	Symptoms bother him/her somewhat	Symptoms bother him/her very little	Symptoms don't bother him/her at all

7. **Impairment of functioning:** How much do symptoms get in the way of him/her doing things that s/he would like to do or need to do?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Symptoms really get in his/her way a lot	Symptoms get in his/her way quite a bit	Symptoms get in his/her way somewhat	Symptoms get in his/her way very little	Symptoms don't get in his/her way at all

8. **Relapse Prevention Planning:** Which of the following would best describe what s/he knows and has done in order not to have a relapse?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Doesn't know how to prevent relapses	Knows a little, but hasn't made a relapse prevention plan	Knows 1 or 2 things to do, but doesn't have a written plan	Knows several things to do, but doesn't have a written plan	Has a written plan and has shared it with others

9. **Relapse of Symptoms:** When is the last time s/he had a relapse of symptoms (that is, when his/her symptoms have gotten much worse)?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Within the last month	In the past 2 to 3 months	In the past 4 to 6 months	In the past 7 to 12 months	Hasn't had a relapse in the past year

10. **Psychiatric Hospitalizations:** When is the last time s/he has been hospitalized for mental health or substance abuse reasons?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Within the last month	In the past 2 to 3 months	In the past 4 to 6 months	In the past 7 to 12 months	No hospitalizations in the past year

11. **Coping:** How well do feel your client is coping with his/her mental or emotional illness from day to day?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not well at all	Not very well	Alright	Well	Very well

12. **Involvement with self-help activities:** How involved is s/he in consumer run services, peer support groups, Alcoholics Anonymous, drop-in centers, WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan), or other similar self-help programs?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Doesn't know about any self-help activities	Knows about some self-help activities but isn't interested	Is interested in self-help activities, but hasn't participated in the past year	Participates in self-help activities occasionally	Participates in self-help activities regularly

13. Using Medication Effectively: (Don't answer this question if his/her doctor has not prescribed medication). How often does s/he take his/her medication as prescribed?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Never	Occasionally	About half the time	Most of the time	Every day

___ Check here if the client is not prescribed psychiatric medications.

14. Impairment of functioning through alcohol use: Drinking can interfere with functioning when it contributes to conflict in relationships, or to financial, housing and legal concerns, to difficulty showing up at appointments or focusing during them, or to increases of symptoms. Over the past 3 months, did alcohol use get in the way of his/her functioning?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alcohol use really gets in his/her way a lot	Alcohol use gets in his/her way quite a bit	Alcohol use gets in his/her way somewhat	Alcohol use gets in his/her way very little	Alcohol use is not a factor in his/her functioning

15. Impairment of functioning through drug use: Using street drugs, and misusing prescription or over-the-counter medication can interfere with functioning when it contributes to conflict in relationships, or to financial, housing and legal concerns, to difficulty showing up at appointments or focusing during them, or to increases of symptoms. Over the past 3 months, did drug use get in the way of his/her functioning?

<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drug use really gets in his/her way a lot	Drug use gets in his/her way quite a bit	Drug use gets in his/her way somewhat	Drug use gets in his/her way very little	Drug use is not a factor in his/her functioning

Appendix B:
Recovery Markers Questionnaire

The Recovery Markers Questionnaire is a free-standing subscale of the Recovery Enhancing Environment measure²⁶. The Recovery Markers Questionnaire consists of 24 items, using five-point Likert-type response options that range from 1 ‘strongly agree’ to 5 ‘strongly disagree.’ Among other things, these recovery markers are intended to represent the client’s motivation, health status, symptom control, connection with others, and whether they use their personal strengths, skills and talents. The San Diego County Adult Mental Health Services also began using the RMQ to assess client’s self-reported recovery during intake assessments and treatment planning appointments occurring approximately every six months after intake. Analyses assessing the psychometric properties of the RMQ within this population suggest high estimates of internal consistency ($\alpha = .95$). Its convergence with the IMR scale scores, and each of the IMR factor scores, support the RMQ scale’s construct validity²⁵.

For each of the following questions, please fill in the answer that is true for you now.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My living situation is safe and feels like home to me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have trusted people I can turn to for help.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have at least one close mutual (give-and-take) relationship.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am involved in meaningful productive activities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My psychiatric symptoms are under control.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have enough income to meet my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am not working, but see myself working within 6 months.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am learning new things that are important to me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am in good physical health.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have a positive spiritual life/connection to a higher power.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I like and respect myself.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am using my personal strengths skills or talents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have goals I'm working to achieve.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have reasons to get out of bed in the morning.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have more good days than bad.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

I have a decent quality of life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I control the important decisions in my life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I contribute to my community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am growing as a person.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have a sense of belonging.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel alert and alive.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel hopeful about my future.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to deal with stress.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe I can make positive changes in my life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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