Rapid changes in healthcare are driving transformation in pediatric practice.

**PEDIATRICS IS CHANGING**

**PATIENT AND FAMILY-CENTERED CARE**

Now, more than ever, patients and their families have numerous options for where to seek care. Their decisions are based, in large part, on relationships with and easy access to a provider.

The Affordable Care Act and focus on the **Triple Aim** are driving the shift from individual to team-based care focused on building a partnership with patients and families. Team-based care better positions primary care practices to implement enhanced patient-centered functions, like pediatric care coordination and chronic condition management.

Given shortages of behavioral and mental health services and issues with accessibility of mental health services, pediatric primary care is increasingly utilized as a source of mental health care or a pathway to additional services provided at-large.

Empowered pediatricians can participate in and lead these changes.

INTEGRATION OF PRIMARY CARE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IS AN EXAMPLE OF TEAM-BASED CARE.

Working as part of a larger team is becoming part of everyday pediatric practice.

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Growing numbers of practice teams are adopting population health management tools and strategies.

**INNOVATIVE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY PRACTICES**

Innovative and cost-effective ways to deliver care—such as group visits, telehealth, patient portals and m-health—are more common and growing in importance.

To identify groups of patients who can benefit from care coordination and/or other additional services.

**COMMUNITY LEVEL CHANGE**

Pediatric primary care is at the center of an ever-growing system of diverse health and community service providers and organizations—the medical neighborhood.

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