PACE and Technology

What is Northland Healthcare Alliance?

Health Network

A formal organizational arrangement among healthcare providers that uses the resources of more than one existing organization and specifies the objectives and methods by which various collaborative functions are achieved.

Northland Programs

Programs and Services

- Account Management
- Anesthesia Equipment
- Benchmarking Services
- BioMed Equipment Services
- CAH Financial Consulting
- Capital Equipment Maintenance
- Capital Equipment Acquisition Services
- Collections
- Community Reporting
- Grants Management
- Grant Writing Services
- HIPAA Compliance
- Infectious Waste
- Information Technology
- Leadership Training
- Medical Coding
- Medical Records Review
- Mobile Imaging
- Natural Gas Purchasing
- PACE
- Sterilizer Maintenance
- Sterilizer Installation
- Supply Management Services
- Telemedicine

Information Technology

- Information Technology Specialist
- Telemedicine
- Systems Planning and Design
- Regional Health Information Planning

Telemedicine Services

- Bridging Services
- Clinical Service Expansion
- Meeting Services
- Telemedicine Technical Assistance

Northland PACE HIT

- PACE Care Management System
- MedAssist Record Repository
- TeleConferencing

Northland PACE Senior Care Services - A Different Model

- Urban PACE Sites are Self Contained
- Large Numbers in a Smaller Geographic Area
- Staffing for Specialty Services is Less of a Problem
- Physician Coverage is Easier in an Urban Location

TeleHealth - TeleConferencing

- Administrative Meetings
- IDT Meetings
- Education
- Medical Participant Consults
- Staff Consults

Medical Consults

- Behavioral Health
- Speech Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Assessments
- Cardiac Care Follow up
- Others

Growing Acceptance of Telehealth

- Medicare Acceptance of and Payment for Services

  New HCPCS Codes:

GO406	Follow-up inpatient telehealth consultation, limited
GO407	Follow-up inpatient telehealth consultation, intermediate
GO 408	Follow-up inpatient telehealth consultation, complex

Also there is a site facility fee paid to sites to encourage the use of Telemedicine

Meaningful Use by 2013

•Develop capabilities to exchange health information where possible;
•Implement at least one clinical decision support rule for a specialty or clinical priority;
•Provide patients with electronic copies of discharge instructions and procedures;
•Submit insurance claims electronically; and
•Verify insurance eligibility electronically when possible.
•Allow patients to access their health records in a timely manner;

Future Use of Telehealth

- In Home Monitoring
- In Home Video Consultation
- Automated Medication Reminders
- Activity Monitoring
- More Wireless and IP Uses
- Standardization of Systems

Questions?