What is Project ACHIEVE?
The purpose of Project ACHIEVE is to:
1) Rigorously evaluate care transition strategies, and
2) Understand what matters most to patients and caregivers during care transitions.

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Study Aims and Design

**AIM 1: Identify Transitional Care (TC) outcomes that matter to patients/caregivers**
- Phase 1: TC Strategies & Measures Literature Review
- Phase 1: Focus groups/Interviews with Patients, Caregivers (N=248)

**AIM 2: Determine which TC strategies and groups of strategies most effectively yield desired outcomes**
- Phase 1: Retrospective Study
  - Develop and administer Hospital Adoption Survey (N=380)
    - assess hospital adoption of TC strategies
  - TC strategy groups informed by factor analysis, expert review, literature
  - Collect and link survey data with hospital claims data
- Phase 2: Prospective Survey
  - Develop, pilot test and conduct surveys with > 9,000 patients and >2,500 family caregivers from 42 hospitals to assess their TC experiences
  - Collect survey data from hospitals regarding adoption of TC strategies (N=42)
  - Link survey data to Medicare claims data

**AIM 3: Identify facilitators and barriers to implementing TC strategies**
- Phase 1: Provider focus groups (N=63)
- Phase 1: Hospital Site Visits (N=22)
- Phase 2: Hospital Site Visits (N=29); also validate hospital TC strategy adoption
- Phase 2: Provider Survey (N=977) conducted with providers from 35 hospitals

**AIM 4: Develop recommendations for disseminating and implementing findings**

Participating hospitals

ACHIEVE participating hospitals (N=42) include:
- 13 Kaiser medical centers (integrated delivery system)
- 13 academic medical centers
- 4 Accountable Care Organization members
- 2 critical access hospitals
- 8 safety net hospitals
- 8 CCTP/QIO ICPC hospitals*

* CCTP= Community-based Care Transitions Program
  QIO= Quality Improvement Organization
  ICPC= Integrating Care for Populations and Communities

Research Partners

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