Primary Care Delays in Underserved Areas: A Strategic Plan to Improve Access to Care

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Abstract
Hypertension (HTN) and Diabetes Mellitus Type 2 (DM2) are two chronic conditions contributing to morbidity and mortality. 23.1 million people have DM2 and 7.2 million people have it an are undiagnosed in the U.S. During 2015-2016, the prevalence of HTN was 29.0% and increases with age (CDC, 2018). This purpose of this article was to discuss the benefits of developing a transition clinic in a highly traveled metro transit area and the development of a strategic plan on implementing this project, as well as the barriers that may be encountered when implementing such a clinic similar to this. A logic model was developed to initiate the planning process of developing a TC in an underserved area. A logic model/strategic plan was developed to ensure that all identified issues and potential barriers could be evaluated. This model was also utilized to set up a timeline for development and implementation.