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Abstract

Public/private partnerships are essential to the survival of mission-driven non-profits, especially those in aging services. Aging service nonprofits receive less than two percent of all institutional philanthropic dollars, with a largest segment of their funding provided by government entities. Carter Burden Network (CBN) is an aging services nonprofit organization serving community-dwelling seniors in Manhattan, with a concentration of services in East Harlem, Roosevelt Island, and the Upper East Side. The NYC Department for the Aging and other government sources provide 50 percent of CBN's budget. The adage that 'government cannot do it alone' is exemplified through CBN's history of developing new programs through private partnerships, and use of skills-based volunteerism to enhance services. Public/private partnerships have helped CBN strengthen its capacity to expand its service provision and areas. Equally important is CBN's commitment to increase return on investment for public/private partnerships by reducing food insecurity and malnutrition, hospitalization, and social isolation - all with a financial benefit to the broader society.

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Chapter 7

Public-Private Partnerships Extend Community-based Organization's Longevity

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Public-private partnerships (PPPs) play a critical role in projects from public infrastructure development (e.g. roads, bridges, etc.) to community-based programs and services. PPPs are traditionally contractual agreements between government entities and the private sector, and they contribute to the longevity of projects through financial support, a mutually agreed upon scope of services and timelines. This chapter focuses on aging services nonprofit organizations and the influence of PPPs on the survival of aging-in-place community-based programs and service delivery through the lens of Carter Burden Network (CBN). CBN is an aging service nonprofit organization serving older adults in New York City (NYC).

Background

CBN's mission is to promote the well-being of seniors age 60+ through a continuum of services, advocacy, arts and culture, health and wellness, and volunteer programs, all oriented to individual, family, and community needs. CBN is dedicated to supporting the efforts of older people to live safely and with dignity. Established in 1971 by then NYC Council Member Carter Burden, the organization was created to assist the large number of older residents living in his district who were poor, in declining health, and isolated. Since CBN's humble beginnings with a single employee in the councilman's office, it has transformed into a network of 12 programs in seven locations, and in CY 2019 CBN served 5,623 clients.

In 2016, the organization underwent a rebranding process and changed its name from The Carter Burden Center for the Aging to the CBN, in order to reflect its growth in size and scope. It was no longer one center but a network of centers, programs, and services that work together with government, corporate, individual, and community partners to lead the way in aging services in NYC. CBN's history is a great illustration of the power of public-private collaboration to lead to organizational longevity. CBN also

contributes to overall quality of life enhancements, which may influence its clients' longevity.

CBN's programs and services are built on a four pillar framework comprised of senior centers, social services, arts and culture, and health and wellness. Technology is a critical component of the overall framework. Each pillar contributes to the organization's capacity to enrich the lives of community-dwelling older adults age 60+. Below are illustrations of the four pillar framework and technology:

Senior center framework

The Senior Center Framework is achieved through CBN's extensive meal service programs operating through its senior centers. Senior centers are at the core of CBN's work. The organization operates four centers in Manhattan—two in East Harlem, including one in an NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA) complex; one on the Upper East Side; and one on Roosevelt Island. The suggested cost of a hot nutritious breakfast (in some instances a plated meal) is 25 cents and \$1 for a hot nutritious lunch. One of the East Harlem centers is open seven days per week, and is designated as a one of the New York City Department for the Aging's (NYCDFTA) 18 Innovative Senior Centers.

CBN serves a culturally diverse population of nearly 3,800 senior center members annually, with approximately 400 members served daily. While the neighborhoods served by CBN are socioeconomically disparate, CBN serves low to moderate income and vulnerable seniors, who face financial challenges, diminishing health, and declining social networks. Food insecurity is a common problem. As such, CBN's centers provide 113,000 meals annually through congregate meals (i.e. meals provided at senior centers), thereby addressing nutritional and socialization needs. The centers are also a resource hub for social service, recreational, and health and wellness programs.

Social services framework

Equally critical are CBN's robust social services programs, assisting clients through its senior centers, offices, and home visits. Ongoing case management offers comprehensive services including benefits assistance, advocacy, counseling, money management, end-of-life planning, and monthly support/discussion groups. In providing these activities, 18,190 contacts were made with over 1,500 clients across the CBN's social services programs in the last fiscal year. Through its Community Elder Mistreatment and Abuse Prevention Program (CEMAPP), designed to combat elder abuse, over 3,900 hours of case assistance were provided to 200 clients throughout

Manhattan. This assistance included individual counseling, installation of security devices, legal advocacy, and safety planning.

Health and wellness framework

The health and wellness framework is a newer and actively expanding component of CBN's overall service delivery, comprised of programming and research. Health and wellness initiatives offer a full range of health workshops, lectures, physical fitness classes (e.g. Tai-Chi), evidence-based programs and health screenings, which all contribute to seniors' physical and psychological well-being. In an effort to inform health and wellness programming and services, CBN partners with academic institutions to conduct numerous research projects to better understand client needs, and to share best practices with the aging service provider network.

An illustration of CBN's research partnerships is its engagement with Rockefeller University Clinical and Translational Science Center, Rockefeller University Bio Nutrition Program, and the Clinical Directors Network (CDN) to conduct a study on healthy aging. Looking at physiologic data and psychosocial and nutritional information of clients in East Harlem, significant needs were identified: 83 percent of participants were overweight, 33 percent had a history of diabetes, and 84 percent had uncontrolled high blood pressure. These findings helped CBN create targeted, culturally appropriate workshops, and to secure its first US Administration on Community Living federal grant, funding an innovative nutritional intervention to reduce high blood pressure by introducing the DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) Diet Intervention in congregate meals at two senior centers.

Additionally, research collaborations include a partnership with the research division of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNSNY). Together, CBN and VNSNY deployed the AdvantAge survey in East Harlem and Roosevelt Island. The customized age-friendly survey helps determine how well communities and organizations are supporting older residents by analyzing quality of life characteristics, particularly health and wellness. Through the East Harlem study, CBN identified fall prevention as a key need and developed an evidence-based comprehensive model to decrease falls through environmental, medical, and preventive approaches. Following the recent conclusion of the survey on Roosevelt Island, CBN is convening with seniors and other Island stakeholders in town halls to develop long-term collaborative solutions to the key issues identified.

Arts and culture framework

The arts are central to CBN's programming. CBN's signature Making Art Work (MAW) creative arts education program offers classes in painting,

ceramics, print-making, sewing, quilt-making, clothing construction, mixed media, dance, and choir. The program's tailored services nurture creative expression and promote psychological and physiological benefits associated with regular artistic practice and expression. In 2019, CBN offered over 2,100 art classes through its four centers, attended by 915 seniors. In 2009, CBN reinforced its commitment to the arts by opening the Carter Burden Gallery. The first of its kind in the nation, the gallery, located in the Chelsea arts district, exclusively exhibits significant and vibrant works of artists over 60, giving a voice to re-emerging older professional artists and combating agism in the art world. In 2019, the gallery mounted 35 exhibitions, featuring the work of 120 artists.

Technology

Technology education is also a key component of CBN's innovative programming. In 2019, CBN, in partnership with organizations such as Older Adults Technology Services (OATS) and Cornell Tech, provided over 1,200 technology classes and open computer lab sessions attended by nearly 400 seniors. From beginners to advanced, these classes helped seniors leverage technology to advance their education, enhance their connections, and manage their practical needs. Technology education is an effective strategy to help reduce social isolation, particularly for homebound older adults.

In 2019, CBN implemented a technology pilot titled Tech Pals designed to leverage the use of smart screen technology to enhance independence and connectedness for homebound seniors and individuals with disabilities who live on Roosevelt Island. Tech Pals pilot is housed in the NYCDFTA-supported CBN Roosevelt Island Senior Center, conducted in collaboration with the Roosevelt Island Disabled Association (RIDA). The Tech Pals pilot is funded with generous philanthropic support from New York Community Trust, a community foundation. The pilot provides participants with an Amazon Echo Show (smart screen device) and one-on-one technological support and education to enhance independence and connectedness. Through the Echo Show, participants engage with the NYCDFTA-supported case management team, receive access to a plethora of education sessions, engage in Roosevelt Island Senior Center activities, and engage in a Facebook group created for participants.

CBN's timeline (Table 7.1) reflects the start of the organization, as well as the infusion of government, corporate, and philanthropic support over its history from 1971 to 2019.

Historical Context of Aging Services

The previous discussion focused on CBN's history and development. Next we explore the historical context surrounding the funding, development,

TABLE 7.1 Carter Burden Network timeline

	1971–1989	1990–1999	2000–2005	2006–2012	2013–2016	2017–2019
Milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councilman Carter Burden establishes agency: 1971 • Walk-in unit: 1971 • Homebound unit: 1973 • Yorkville Luncheon Club launched in collaboration with Jan Hus Church of the Epiphany: 1975 • Graduate MSW Student Program: 1975 • Crime Victims Assistance Program: 1978 • Volunteer Services: 1979 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteer Services for the Elderly of Yorkville (VSEY) merger: 1993 • Assumed sole sponsorship of the Yorkville Luncheon Club and renamed it the Carter Burden Luncheon Club: 1997 • C.V. Starr Adult Day Services: 1999 • Opened new Headquarters at 1484 1st Ave. in collaboration with the New York Presbyterian Wright Center: 1999 • VOLS Legal Clinic: 1999 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate MSW Student Program now in-house: 2001 • Hunter Nursing Student Program: 2001 • Graduate Occupational Therapy Program: 2001 • Community Elder Mistrust and Abuse Prevention Program (CEMAPP): 2003 • Begins catering home delivered meals with the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center: 2004 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural Connections: 2006 • Friendly visiting program expanded in collaboration with City Meals: 2006 • Mental Health Services hosted in collaboration with SPOP: 2006 • Social Service Unit (Homebound and Walk-in Units): 2008 • Expansion of Case Management Unit in collaboration with Lenox Hill Neighborhood House and Search Care: 2008 • Gallery 307: 2009 • Making Art Work: 2009 • Elder Craftsman merger: 2009 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carter Burden/ Leonard Covello Senior Program: 2013 • Carter Burden Gallery: 2013 • Metro East 99th St. Adult Day Program: 2014 • Caregiver Resource Program: 2015 • Lehman Village Senior Center (Covello satellite): 2015 • Roosevelt Island Senior Center (Carter Burden Luncheon Club satellite): 2016 • Collaborations initiated with Cornell Tech and Rockefeller University: 2016 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Carter Burden Center for the Aging launches its new brand identity and becomes the Carter Burden Network: 2017 • CBN Headquarters relocates to 415 E. 73rd St: 2017 • CBN receives its first federal grant from the Dept of Health and Human Services Administration for Community Living (ACL) to implement the DASH diet at two of its centers: 2018
Participants	75–400	500–25,00	2,500–3,000	3,500–4,000	4,000–5,000	ect. 5,000
Volunteers	15–20	25–1,500	1,200–2,000	2,000–2,700	3,000–3,500	ect. 3,500
Budget	1971: \$45,000	1990: \$756,000	2000: \$2,200,000	2006: \$3,165,000	2013: \$3,942,800	2017: \$8,205,196
	1980: \$279,717	1992: \$910,725	2001: \$2,650,000	2011: \$3,532,800	2016: \$7,742,264	2018: \$8,003,000
	1981: \$353,272					2019: \$8,672,324

Source: Carter Burden Network (2020).

growth, expansion, and stagnation of programs and services for older adults in the US. The context of aging services dates back to the mid-16th century, when the colonists of Plymouth authorized a governmental entity to offer support to the vulnerable residents of its time, which presumably included older adults ([Achenbaum and Carr 2015](#)). In the mid-16th-century, aging services were conceptualized as care for the vulnerable, with an emphasis on the informal network of families, neighbors, and religious institutions that continues to be a critical source of care for today's older adults.

Formal aging services have increased markedly in the last century, as evidenced by the passage of the Social Security Act in 1935 as well as the Congressional appropriation in 1952, which provided the first federal funds to support social programs and services before the establishment of the Older American Act (OAA) legislation in 1965. Along with the enactment of Medicare and Medicaid legislation, OAA is the bedrock of the aging services network, and it created the Administration on Aging (AOA), an agency in the US Department of Health and Human Services. The aging services network is comprised of programs and services specifically designed to support older adults' capacity to remain in the community ([VCU Libraries Social Welfare History Project 2020](#)).

AOA is one of the nation's largest providers of home-and-community-based care for older persons and their caregivers. It seeks to provide a coordinated and cost-effective system of long-term care which helps seniors age in place. Elected officials initiated landmark legislative actions to address the humanitarian crisis of food insecurity, shelter, and housing ([VCU Libraries Social Welfare History Project 2020](#)), which are the basic human requirements identified in [Maslow's \(1943\) Hierarchy of Need](#) (Figure 7.1), to address the growing rate of poverty in older adults and children. CBN's programs and services align with fulfilling each of the five levels of need described in Figure 7.1.

The OAA disburses funding to the states' aging services units, which is then shared with Area Agencies on Aging. The latter offers direct services or contracts with local groups to deliver health services, meals and nutrition services, caregiver support, and senior employment, as well as adult day care and other services ([National Association of Area Agencies on Aging 2017](#)). In New York State, the Office on Aging receives the federal funds, which are passed through to the NYCDF-TA. CBN contracts with NYCDF-TA to provide the mandated programs and services under Title III such as congregate meals (breakfast and lunch at the senior centers), case management, social services, assisted transportation, and elder abuse protection. It has been estimated that by 2030, the population age 60+ in the state will exceed 25 percent of the population ([New York State Office for the Aging 2019](#)).

Figure 7.1 Carter Burden Network programs and services offered based on the tenets of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

Source: McLeod (2018).

Funding for Aging Services

Federal funding for aging services has not kept pace with the rapidly growing needs of the burgeoning 60+ population (O'Shaughnessy 2011). Figure 7.2 reports results of an 18-year retrospective examination of Annual Funding Appropriations for the OAA programs from 2001 to 2019 (Fox-Grage et al. 2019).

'Overall, annual OAA discretionary funding has declined over the 10-year period from FY2010 to FY2019 (not adjusted for inflation). Since FY2010, total OAA funding levels have remained below the FY2010 level when discretionary funding was at its highest amount of \$2.328 billion' (Fox-Grage et al. 2019). In 2011, the first of the Baby Boomers turned 65. Concomitantly, the US life expectancy increased from age 68.14 in 1950 to 78.93 in 2020, a 16 percent rise (Macrotrends 2020).

Carter Burden Network Public-Private Partnership Initiatives

CBN is keenly aware that the limited government funding has not kept pace with inflation. The growing needs of a burgeoning older adult population and the limited philanthropic support for aging services are now driving

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Figure 7.2 Annual Funding Appropriations for the Older Americans Act Programs, 2001–2019

Source: [AARP Public Policy Institute \(2019\)](#).

forces for development of innovative PPPs to address the needs of older adults. According to a report by the Silver Century Foundation,

[e]very year, American grant makers donate tens of billions of dollars to non-profits, to help make the world a better place. Yet only one percent of those dollars goes to aging-related projects, according to the Foundation Center, which analyzed grants of over \$10,000 made in 2015 by 1000 of the largest US foundations. By contrast, 28 percent goes to projects for children and youth. ([Hubbard 2018](#))

Giving USA, a nonprofit organization, reported in 2017 that nonprofit aging services organizations that provide community-based services and long-term care facilities represented about 6 percent of nonprofit organizations in the country that filed tax returns, while approximately 24.5 percent of American households are headed by someone age 65 or older ([Giving USA 2017](#)).

John Feather leads Grantmakers in Aging, the national society of grant-making foundations and other organizations that work to improve the lives of older people. Dr Feather stated, ‘As the number of older Americans is set to double to more than 20 percent of the population in the next twenty years, the percentage of charitable giving in aging has remained the same’ ([Feather 2015](#): 68).

CBN's three strategic PPP initiatives were driven by funding inequities in aging services and a desire to meet the demands of a growing older adult population where people are living longer with multiple chronic health conditions and inappropriate housing. These initiatives address the mind, body, and spirit of seniors at CBN through its senior centers' nutritional meal programs, creative arts, and health and wellness programming to promote positive health outcomes and contribute to older adults' overall well-being. While aging services funding remains stagnant overall, CBN was an early adopter of PPPs as a strategy to best serve the needs of the older adults. To illustrate, three of CBN's public-private initiatives—senior centers, creative arts collaborations, and health and wellness—are discussed below.

Senior centers

The creation of CBN was based on a public-private collaboration from its inception in 1971 when Council Member Carter Burden, an elected official, and his private family foundation, formed a partnership to address the needs of older vulnerable constituents that were food insecure and inappropriately housed (e.g. multiple floor walk-up apartments; insufficient income for food and medication). Recognizing food insecurity as a critical challenge of his district's older adult population, Councilman Burden partnered with Jan Hus Church and Church of the Epiphany in 1975 to develop the Carter Burden Luncheon Club. The opening of the Luncheon Club in 1975 occurred at a time in US history when Congress was passing legislation to address the needs of the vulnerable older adult population. For instance, the Nutrition Services Program was enacted between 1973 and 1975.

The Luncheon Club served a vital role in addressing food insecurity by offering hot lunches to the seniors on the Upper East Side. Shortly thereafter, CBN received funding from the NYCDFTA, one of 622 Area Agencies on Aging nationwide. Since then, CBN has opened three additional senior centers: Leonard Covello NYCDFTA-designated Innovative Senior Center (open seven days a week); Lehman Village Senior Center housed in a NYCHA building for low income residents; and Roosevelt Island Senior Center. CBN also operates four of NYCDFTA's 250 senior centers throughout NYC.

CBN also received support for the Luncheon Club through the federal Title III C Nutrition and Meals Services, and it continues to receive funding to support its three senior centers serving roughly 113,000 hot breakfast and lunch meals daily. For some seniors, the meals at the senior center may be the only meal of the day. In addition to nutritious meals, CBN also offers creative arts programming.

Creative arts collaboration

MAW and CBN's range of programming and services provide outlets for creative expression during difficult times and vital coping skills to respond to challenges. MAW is partially funded by NYCDFTA, and additional support for the Creative Art Center at the Leonard Covello Senior Center was donated by Macy's. Every year, the Covello Senior Center hosts its annual fashion show, with clothes made by the seniors in clothing construction classes. Macy's provides support for the fashion show through its employees, who volunteer their time for make-up and clothing adornment. In 2019, CBN offered 2,100 art classes through its four centers, attended by 900 seniors. A major recent endeavor of MAW was the Love Wall project, where participants created over 250 handmade ceramic tiles over a one-year period, reflecting the theme of love from each artist's unique perspective. The arts have the power to foster a connected, resilient, and welcoming community for all.

In 2009, CBN opened the Carter Burden Gallery. This group has not received any government support, but it has received private support from the Macquarie Group, an international financial firm, as well as the Thompson Family Foundation and Ford Foundation.

Health and wellness initiatives

CBN has developed a Health and Wellness Initiative Framework (H&WF) designed to address the increased longevity of older adults and the desire of more than 90 percent of older adults to remain in their own homes and communities. CBN is committed to providing health and wellness programs and services that promote positive health outcomes, contributing to older adults' capacity to live independently and with dignity in their communities. The framework is focused on interventions targeting social determinants of health including food insecurity, social isolation, health illiteracy, and income inequality.

Through specifically designed programs and services with community partners, the H&WF engages the older adult's mind, body, and spirit at senior centers and community settings throughout CBN's catchment areas. The framework consists of the following components: education, advocacy, research, community partnerships, technology, funding, and physical fitness.

CBN partners large health care systems serving its catchment area such as the NYC Health + Hospitals (NYC H+H), one of the country's largest public hospital systems; the Lenox Hill Hospital Northwell Health System; and New York Presbyterian Hospital. Northwell Health is New York's largest private employer and health care provider. The New York Presbyterian Hospital is a nonprofit academic medical center in NYC affiliated with two Ivy League

medical schools: Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons and Weill Cornell Medical College. Each of the health care providers offers critical health education on topics including diabetes and cancer, and conducts health screenings.

Metro East 99th Street Hybrid Adult Day Program (Day Program) and the DASH Diet Intervention are H&WF initiatives highlighted in this section to illustrate public-private collaborations. The two initiatives seek to help improve health outcomes and contribute to overall quality of life through education, screenings, services, and programming.

Metro East 99th Street Day Program In 2014, CBN received its first New York State Department of Health funding to support the Day Program Demonstration Project through the Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) under the New York State Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) to reduce the state's Medicaid expenditures. This approach serves frail adults age 60+ with developmental, cognitive, or physical impairments, providing clients with socialization, supervision and monitoring, personal care, and nutrition in a protective setting.

The Day Program was developed to examine the effects of community-based programming on post-nursing-home transitions for a mixed-age, chronically ill tenant population into independent living. According to the Genworth 2014 Cost of Care Survey ([Genworth Financial 2014](#)), the median cost for nursing home stays in New York was \$124,100 (semi-private room) and \$130,670 (private room) annually. The median cost for adult health day care was \$16,900 annually, and the social adult day care model was even less.

Metro East 99th Street Project was a newly constructed apartment building in 2014 that accepted tenants as former in-patients from the decommissioned Goldwater Skilled Nursing Facility and Hospital on Roosevelt Island. Eligible patients from Goldwater were given an opportunity to apply for an apartment at Metro East, which was an innovative collaboration between NYC H+H, Housing Preservation & Development (HPD), New York State Homes and Community Renewal (NYHCR), New York State Department of Health-Office of Health Insurance, New York State MRT, NYCHA, NYCDF-TA, and SKA Marin, a private developer and property manager of the Metro East 99th Street Project. It was a newly constructed 176-apartment unit of affordable housing for tenants transitioning out of long-nursing home stays after five to 22 years of placement.

The Day Program and services were critical to the tenants' successful transition into independent living and sustained housing. The Day Program model was an interdisciplinary approach that addressed the mind, body, and spirit of this vulnerable population, and it was designed to enhance the impact of community-based programs and service interventions in an effort

to reduce health care costs, improve health outcomes, and enhance quality of life for previously institutionalized individuals ([National Adult Day Services Association 2020](#)).

Patients transitioning from long-term care facilities were the focus of the New York State Department of Health Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Medicaid Waiver Program's strategic plan. The goal was to reduce the state's Medicaid expenditures with appropriate housing that promoted independent living with dignity, and increased access to community-based services that helped individuals to live independently, which was a part of the community transition strategy. The strategy was predicated on the 1999 Olmstead Decision to increase access to community-based services and programs that support community living and eliminate segregation of person with disabilities ([US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division 2020](#)).

In addition, the Day Program was designed to collaborate with managed long-term care plans to create a sustainable financial reimbursement structure commensurate with the delivery of programs and services. The Day Program assisted in the reintegration of extended nursing home stay residents into independent living as a part of the community-based continuum of long-term care services.

CBN also partnered with Vital Care, Inc., a telehealth company which assesses the effectiveness of the Day Program through an evidence-informed strategy, measuring the ongoing metrics against the baseline to determine outcomes. The approach uses a tablet device and a web-based program designed to educate, monitor, and measure biometrics (blood pressure, weight, and oxygen levels).

The Day Program demonstrated a 30 percent reduction in the rate of hospitalization for the 68 adult day members who participated in the remote community-enabled Telehealth Program. All attended the Day Program. The Telehealth Program had a 70 percent retention rate, which was the highest of all Day Program activities. The rate of hospital avoidance was self-reported. At each Telehealth engagement, questions were asked about doctor visits and hospitalizations. The Day Program provided a variety of services/activities.¹

The Day Program was one of a set of cost-effective strategies to reduce Medicaid expenditures for high health care users living with multiple chronic health conditions by using cost-efficient community-based programs as opposed to expensive institutional care for individuals who are capable of living independently with appropriate housing. The Day Program was considered a best practice model in the transition of institutionalized individuals' reintegration into community living in an affordable housing development without a supportive housing designation. Although there were extensive PPPs, and extensive efforts by CBN to secure funding from the philanthropic sector, it was not able to extend the longevity of the

demonstration Day Program. The affordable housing building 301 East 99th Street remains a thriving part of the East Harlem community.

DASH Diet Intervention CBN formed a partnership in 2015 with The Rockefeller University Center for Clinical Translational Science Center (CCTS) and CDN to conduct an academic community-based research study about seniors aging in place. The CCTS two-year funded Healthy Aging Study was conducted by the partnership from 2016 to 2018 to assess the health status and health priorities of seniors receiving CBN services at two of the East Harlem locations: one at a congregate meal site and the other a social model adult day program. The study revealed a prevalence of hypertension in 83 percent, with 23 to 46 percent meeting age-adjusted criteria for uncontrolled hypertension depending on the guidelines ([Kost, Tobin, et al. forthcoming](#)).

These study findings provided the impetus for further exploration of factors that contribute to overall health, such as food, physical fitness, and more. CBN provides congregate meal services by offering daily breakfast and lunch meals at senior centers, providing an opportunity to explore the impact of diet on health outcomes, and to learn about implementation challenges. Table 7.2 describes the project and reveals the percentage of those with blood pressure levels within the normal range and those determined to be uncontrolled. The study findings revealed that of 217 seniors in the study, 84 percent had high uncontrolled blood pressure ([Kost, Tobin, et al. forthcoming](#)). The results of the Healthy Aging Study prompted CBN and its partners to create a nutritional intervention to improve dietary habits for seniors and to address hypertension.

TABLE 7.2 Healthy Aging Study: Blood pressure in CBN pilot population

RU/CBN/CDN ^a : Carter Burden Healthy Aging Study Pilot 2016–2018	
Purpose: To collect information on the health of CBN seniors to assess the impact of services on health	Blood Pressure in CBN Pilot Population (n = 217)
Method: Pulse, blood pressure, walk/balance test, rsurveys on health, nutrition, and social factors, etc.	17% Normal blood pressure 16% Elevated blood pressure (SPB 120–129 mm Hg)
Highlights:	23% Hypertension stage 1 (SPB 130–139 mm Hg)
• Enthusiastic enrollment of 218 seniors	42% Hypertension stage 2 (SPB >140 mm Hg)
• 99% completed the study	2% Hypertension crisis (SPB >180 mm Hg)
• An important finding about blood pressure	

Note: ^aResearch for the Healthy Aging Study was conducted via partnership between Rockefeller University Clinical Translational Science Center, CBN, and Clinical Director Network.
Source: [Kost, Tobin, et al. \(forthcoming\)](#).

Nationally, cardiovascular disease (CVD) poses significant health risks for seniors, with two-thirds of those age 60 to 79, and approximately 85 percent of those age 80+ having one or more CVD risk factors. Blood pressure is one of the major modifiable risk factors for cardiovascular morbidity and mortality, with even moderate reductions playing a major role in preventing cardiovascular events. In 2018, CBN, in partnership with CCTS and CDN, was awarded a two-year US Department of Health and Human Services / Administration on Community Living Innovation in Nutrition grant to address seniors' cardiovascular risk through implementation of a dietary intervention at two of its senior centers—the Leonard Covello Senior Program in East Harlem and the Carter Burden Luncheon Club on the Upper East Side.

A community academic partnership was developed to implement nutritional and social behavioral interventions to reduce hypertension among seniors aging in place through DASH Diet Intervention ([Kost, Collier, et al. forthcoming](#)). The project implemented the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI)'s DASH diet, through meals provided at senior centers; it also studied the impact of implementing this intervention in senior centers on blood pressure control. The DASH diet has been tested by two major studies backed by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), demonstrating ability to lower blood pressure in as little as 14 days ([US Department of Health and Human Services 2006](#)). The DASH diet is plant-focused, rich in fruits, vegetables, and nuts, with supplementary inclusion of non-fat and low-fat dairy products, whole grains, poultry, fish, lean meats, and heart healthy fats. The DASH diet had not been previously been tested in the setting of congregate meals among community living seniors. The project also offered educational workshops on blood pressure, nutrition, exercise, home blood pressure self-monitoring, and medication adherence, and their relations to cardiovascular health. Nutrition demonstrations with ingredients from the farmers' market and food pantry will show seniors how to maintain the DASH diet at home within their budget ([Kost, Collier, et al. forthcoming](#)). Results are anticipated soon.

Conclusion

PPPs can be critical for longevity of community-based organizations focused on aging services. CBN has worked with a network of public-private partners for the past 49 years, staying committed to its philosophy of collaboration and partnership as a driving force for sustainability of the organization, while contributing to the overall longevity of the older adults served. CBN's programs and services illustrate the value of partnerships as a conduit for sustainable programming, evident by its four senior centers that address the issues of food insecurity and social isolation, and its contribution to overall

improved quality of life of its clients. One of CBN's clients who attended the Leonard Covello Senior Center recently said:

When I first came to the Covello Senior Center, I wasn't active, didn't exercise, [and] was depressed and lonely. Covello has helped me to be more active, more outspoken, and more energetic through exercise programs, awareness, walking classes, and better eating habits. Now, I'm a totally new person—more healthy, more active, and more aware. (Covello Member and Active Zumba Participant)

In order for CBN and its colleagues in the aging service network to address the growing demands of the aging population, increased funding is required from government, corporations, and private philanthropy. Aging is everyone's business, so it will take a network of funders to help offer vulnerable older adults the safety nets necessary to remain independent in their homes and communities. The PPPs of CBN and other nonprofit aging service providers do offer a return on investment. For each of the nearly 6,000 seniors served and the 113,000 meals provided annually, CBN is contributing to a reduction in health care costs by improving health outcomes and reducing hospitalizations. Evidence of effectiveness was provided through the Metro East 99th Street Day Program, and additional data will be available following evaluation of the DASH Diet Intervention and its attempt to lower high blood pressure. The creative arts program also contributes to reduced social isolation, a social determinant of health. Through internal studies, the art programming has been shown to increase self-efficacy, reduce anxiety, and enhance social connectedness.

As discussed, funding for aging services has not kept pace with inflation or the increasing longevity of millions of older adults. Accordingly, PPPs extend the life of the aging service network and the longevity of nonprofit organizations like CBN that aim to improve the quality of life of older adults, especially significant today with the increasing life expectancy of older persons. Other nonprofit organizations similar to CBN, such as Westchester Public-Private Partnership Services for Aging Services (WPP) located in Mt Vernon, New York, recruit corporations to contribute unrestricted funds, underwrite specific programs, and donate in-kind services that expand needed services for the older adult population ([Westchester Public-Private Partnership for Aging Services 2020](#)). [LiveOn NY \(2015\)](#) is another nonprofit membership organization that uses direct assistance and innovative programs to help serve millions of older New Yorkers.

PPPs are equally important to other organizations, including Generations United a nonprofit organization which focuses on intergenerational collaboration and a multisectoral approach to support successful aging in place ([Generations United 2020](#)).

Without PPPs, CBN and similar community-based organizations around the country could not provide the safety net services needed to help the

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millions of older adults seeking to age in place. These include congregate meals offered at senior centers, assisted transportation, health and wellness education programs, physical fitness programs, case management and social services, in-home visits, and elder abuse protection services. Any reduction or indeed the elimination of PPPs could increase the risk of disrupting current and future aging services delivered by the community-based nonprofit sector.

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Chapter 8

Innovative Strategies to Finance and Deliver Long-term Care

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Americans reaching age 65 today can expect to live, on average, until age 85—and about one-quarter of them will live past 90 (CDC 2019). While some will enjoy decades of active, purposeful living, over half will need a high degree of assistance with eating, bathing, and other activities of daily living (ADLs). The aging of the Baby Boomers will double the number of Americans needing long-term care (LTC) to 27 million by 2050; see Figure 8.1 (Favreault and Dey 2015). To identify new care delivery and funding models, we at the Milken Institute's Center for the Future of Aging and Innovative Finance have analyzed the most pressing barriers to effectively meeting the LTC needs of Americans. Based on this research, we have identified actionable suggestions on how to improve the financing and delivery of LTC in the United States.

The costs of formal LTC services are staggering. In 2019, the price of a nursing home stay averaged about \$102,200 per year, or well-over two times an older (age 65+) middle-income family's income. The median rate for a private, one-bedroom unit in an assisted living facility was \$49,000 per year, while the cost of adult day services averaged \$19,500 annually (Genworth 2019). Today, defined benefit pension plans are not available to most Americans, and very few have saved sufficiently for retirement. A typical American age 65–74 has financial assets of just \$95,000, and only \$81,000 in home equity (Jacobson et al. 2017).

Long-term services and support (LTSS) refer to a wide range of services that help people live more independently by assisting with health care needs and ADLs. In the US, Medicaid pays for around 34 percent of LTSS costs, primarily for low-income people or those who have spent down their financial assets to qualify for coverage. Private LTC insurance (LTCI) pays for less than three percent (Favreault and Dey 2015). According to the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), on average roughly 52 percent of LTSS costs are paid out of pocket for individuals age 65 through death; see Figure 8.2).

Figure 8.1 Length of high need for adults age 65+

Note: 52 percent of adults age 65+ have high need.

Source: Original data: Favreault and Dey (2015).

Figure 8.2 Average lifetime long-term care spending for adults age 65+ by source
Source: Favreault and Dey (2015).

By the year 2030, one in five US residents will be age 65+ (US Census Bureau 2018), and 70 percent of them will require LTSS at some point in their lives (BPC 2017). A decline in the number of family caregivers and limited financial resources will make adequate care harder to find for many Americans. In other words, as a nation, we are woefully underprepared for this impending crisis.

With the onset of the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, the market failures and funding gaps in providing LTC stand out in stark relief. Public and private providers and payers face a uniquely daunting challenge in delivering LTC for those at high risk of severe illness and mortality. This new paradigm has impacted everything from the provision of care for socially isolated older adults, to the delivery of technology solutions as telehealth benefits expand in the wake of the crisis. In the long term, the associated economic downturn will further strain families' and individuals' ability to save for supportive housing and care.

Methodology

In 2019, the Milken Institute conducted market research related to LTC funding and delivery models including over 50 interviews with key stakeholders and subject-matter experts from a wide variety of fields including academia, financial services, government, insurance, health care, and technology. Despite initial claims that the system is fundamentally broken and needs to be entirely reworked, over 80 percent of interviewees offered concrete suggestions for incremental solutions to address the gaps in funding and delivery systems.

During this research, we developed several suggestions to improve the current state of LTC funding and delivery. In what follows, we focus on three of the most promising approaches:

- (1) Facilitate private and public insurance product design with increased funding to allow for better testing of models that expand the market for insurers and decrease costs for consumers and government.
- (2) Increase Medicare coverage of LTSS through the expansion of Medicare Advantage (MA) supplemental benefits, refinement and development of the Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) model, and testing of new benefit offerings that will allow insurers to gather the data needed to measure health outcomes and related cost savings.
- (3) Improve cost savings and efficiency through better integration of technology with care delivery, and by scaling successful funding models to allow for greater adoption.

Below we expand upon each in turn.

Public and Private Long-Term Care Insurance Solutions

Over the last two decades, the private LTCI market has changed considerably, contracting from over 100 insurers offering LTCI coverage in 2004 to roughly a dozen in 2018 ([NAIC 2020](#)).

Current state of the LTCI market

Market shrinkage has resulted from faulty actuarial assumptions made before the mid-2000s in pricing LTCI policies as well as a failure to accurately predict interest rates, mortality rates, lapse rates, and claims rates. In the early 2000s, stand-alone individual policy sales reached over 750,000 policies per year, but as of 2018, that number had dwindled to about 57,000 ([Cohen 2019](#); see Figure 8.3). Those insurers who remained in the market

Figure 8.3 Annual sales of stand-alone individual policies have been declining for almost 20 years

Note: Authors' analysis based on AHIP, LIMRA and LifePlans sales surveys, 1990–2016. LIMRA data after 2016. Beginning in 2009, LTC Partners data for annuitants included in counts.

Source: Cohen (2019).

needed to increase premiums significantly to stay financially solvent and generate financial return, causing trepidation among consumers.

Accordingly, the popularity of traditional stand-alone LTCI products has waned due to the high cost of policies, concern about premium increases, the misperception that Medicare or health insurance benefits include coverage for LTC, and a general lack of product understanding by the consumer (Ujvari 2018). Yet there is room for significant growth in the LTCI market, given that private insurance only covers less than three percent of overall LTSS expenditures (Favreault and Dey 2015).

More recently, the coronavirus outbreak has resulted in a number of shifts within the LTCI market. Some LTCI providers have made qualifying for coverage more difficult by limiting eligibility to those over a certain age, as well as requiring a waiting period for individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19. Additionally, the cost of LTCI may be affected by the pandemic's negative impact on the economy and the resulting low interest rates. Insurers contending with lower interest earnings may look to make up for those losses through higher pricing (Lankford 2020).

Promising new approaches

In response to a declining market for traditional LTCI products, insurers have been experimenting with hybrid policies that integrate existing benefits into life insurance (whole or universal) or annuity products, often through an LTC rider. This enhancement allows the policyholder to access a portion, or the entirety, of a death benefit to pay for qualified LTC expenses.

Hybrid policies may protect against sharp premium increases because many require an upfront lump premium payment or have structured yearly premiums over a defined time period. Also, underwriting that is less stringent than for traditional LTC products makes qualifying for these policies easier for individuals with pre-existing conditions. In 2018, 85 percent of LTC product sales were for hybrid LTC products, including products with a chronic illness rider ([Society of Actuaries 2019](#)). Hybrid policies do cost more than stand-alone LTCI, typically by three to 15 percent annually ([ElderLawAnswers 2018](#)).

Insurers have also experimented with variations on traditional stand-alone LTCI that borrow features from other segments of the industry. For example, in 2018 [New York Life \(2018\)](#) launched its My Care product. In its basic form, without riders or customizations, My Care offers four levels of benefits between the \$50,000 Bronze level and the \$250,000 Platinum level. Benefits are defined by specific dollar thresholds instead of by the benefit period of three to five years typical in other stand-alone LTCI policies. This product contains features similar to health insurance that keep down the cost of premiums, such as a one-time cash deductible payment and cost-sharing by the policyholder of 20 percent (coinsurance). Market testing these types of products offers insight into the right balance of benefits versus premiums to attract a larger group of enrollees.

Several of our interviewees recommended using health savings accounts (HSAs) as an option to pay for LTCI premiums. HSAs act as tax-advantaged investment vehicles, available to individuals and families enrolled in high-deductible health insurance plans increasingly provided by employers. HSAs are designed to help cover consumers' share of deductible and coinsurance payments; they can also be used to pay for direct LTC costs or premiums for qualified LTCI policies. The tax benefits associated with HSAs are substantial.

Unfortunately, the premium structure of some hybrid policies makes them inappropriate for qualified HSA distributions. Moreover, the potential for HSAs to become a significant future source of LTC funding is limited by current contribution limits. Today, most account holders think of their HSA balance as money to be spent on current expenses, partly because familiarity with 'use it or lose it' flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) means they do not realize that they are not required to spend down their HSA balances every year. Others lack access to longer term investment options within their HSA. The result is that, to date, only a tiny percentage of HSAs are currently invested in covering future health care and LTC needs. Increases in permitted HSA contributions would allow individuals to set aside more money earlier in their lives to help pay those costs in the future.

Losses experienced across the LTCI industry have also deterred potential market entrants. General Electric recognized a \$9.5 billion pre-tax charge in 2018, stemming mostly from improperly priced LTCI policies sold in

the 1980s and 1990s (Scism 2018). In addition to more accurate pricing for new products, insurers could potentially look to the catastrophe (CAT) bond market as a model for guarding against extreme losses. This insurance market developed CAT bonds to shift risk from insurance companies to investors, and to provide insurers with capital if and when a natural disaster occurs that meets clearly defined thresholds. Given the high costs of LTC and the inherent risk for insurers active in the LTCI market, creating a capital market product similar to CAT bonds could help provide capital should claims reach catastrophic levels. Providing additional forms of liquidity to insurance companies could, in turn, make the market more profitable and allow for increased flexibility in policy construction. More research is needed to model and understand general underwriting issues around triggers that are not incident-specific, such as a natural disaster, and based on a pool of policyholders (Milken Institute 2008).

LTCI state program experimentation

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) of 2010 established the federal Community Living Assistance Services and Supports (CLASS) plan, a voluntary, publicly administered federal LTCI program; this Act was subsequently repealed after it was determined to be financially nonviable. Since then, federal policymakers have not addressed LTCI comprehensively, though some states have begun to advance public programs.¹ When designing public LTCI programs, states have taken three distinct approaches: (1) a full coverage approach to provide benefits after a short waiting period, typically 90 days, with no lifetime claims limit; (2) a front-end approach that has a similarly short waiting period but a limited benefit timeframe (e.g. two years); and (3) catastrophic (back-end) coverage that has a longer waiting period (e.g. two years), with no lifetime claims limit (Gleckman 2019).

The full coverage plan provides coverage without any gaps, but it carries the highest cost. Favreault et al. (2015) estimated that a 1.35 percent payroll tax would be needed to fund a mandatory full coverage program. A front-end approach complements Medicare's post-acute care (PAC) coverage,² and the costs are more predictable, making it easier for government actuaries to model. Nevertheless, critics have warned that front-end coverage could discourage people from planning for their own needs, does not complement private LTCI, and fails to meaningfully help those with catastrophic needs. Also, this approach is not seen as progressive because wealthy individuals receive the same benefits as do low-income individuals (Gleckman 2019).

Over the years, some insurers and policymakers have emphasized the advantages of government-sponsored catastrophic LTC coverage, because it would significantly reduce the risk of covering the approximately 15

percent of older adults with lifetime costs over \$250,000 (BPC 2017). In fact the Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC) concluded that government-sponsored catastrophic insurance would need to be mandatory ‘to spread risk and remain financially feasible’ (BPC 2017: 26). Such a backloaded social insurance approach (when combined with a safety net for those without adequate means) could provide a more easily explained and manageable front-end obligation, for which an individual’s assets or the purchase of LTCI policies could help cover the gaps.

In 2019, Washington State Governor Jay Inslee signed into law the Long-term Care Trust Act, establishing the nation’s first state-level LTCI program based on the front-end coverage model. This program provides a maximum lifetime benefit of \$36,500 per person (\$100 per day), indexed to inflation. Funding comes from mandatory payroll taxes paid by all Washington W-2 workers of 58 cents per every \$100 of income. Eligibility is limited to Washington residents who have paid into the program for a specified period. To access benefits, an individual must need assistance with at least three ADLs. It has been estimated that Medicaid savings will be \$34 million in the first year that benefits are distributed, growing to a total of roughly \$4 billion by 2052 (Katz 2019; *Washingtonians for a Responsible Future* 2019). This state program is likely to generate much-needed data about how a front-end approach can help finance LTC. Critics have noted that the benefits of the program are too small to pay for the full costs of care, but they generally view it as a step in the right direction.

The Minnesota ‘LifeStage Protection Product’ proposal was put forward in December 2018 under the Minnesota Department of Human Services ‘Own Your Future’ initiative. It is a flexible insurance product that acts as term-life insurance during the policyholders’ working years, and then it converts to LTCI at age 65 with coverage amounts and premiums remaining constant. The product, designed to be affordable, specifically targets adults between 35 and 55 years of age earning \$50,000 to \$125,000 per year (e.g. a 45-year-old male with a \$100,000-policy would pay \$63 per month; O’Leary Marketing Associates LLC 2018). Such a product could be attractive to parents who seek to safeguard their children through life insurance during the parents’ working lives and to convert the policy to pay for LTC expenses after their children are grown.

Barriers to expansion

Another reason Americans have been slow to buy LTCI is that insurers have failed to demonstrate the value proposition to consumers. Several of our interviewees noted that the regulatory process for bringing new insurance products to the market can be quite lengthy. Insurers and actuaries also indicated that the review process for obtaining approval of rate increases

is cumbersome. In response, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) asked its LTCI task force to draft a proposal outlining a streamlined and consistent LTCI rate review process. The new process would avoid duplication of work by state insurance departments and the insurers themselves, and also address ‘cross-state rate subsidization’ ([Hilton 2020](#)).

Path forward

Our research therefore identifies several strategies that show promise, including the following:

- Create better tax incentives that ensure LTCI (including all forms of hybrid policies) becomes an integral part of the retirement finance conversation, given that LTC costs are the most significant unmet retirement income security threat for most Americans.
- Increase HSA contribution limits and tax-advantaged withdrawal limits to better accommodate LTCI premiums, or create a new savings vehicle specifically for LTC modeled after HSAs.
- Enhance LTCI program experimentation at the state level, exploring back-end ‘catastrophic’ coverage options in addition to variations on the front-end approach.
- Explore similarities with the catastrophic risk insurance market and the CAT bond market to improve predictive modeling and provide a secondary market opportunity.

Medicare Expansion Solutions

While some experts look to new product design and state-based approaches to boost LTCI insurance, others point to the health insurance industry for lessons on how to manage the risk and cost of insurance.

Current state of Medicare market

Ample evidence suggests that social determinants of health, including access to housing, nutrition, and transportation, can positively impact health outcomes and reduce health care use and spending for vulnerable populations ([Nichols and Taylor 2018](#)). Social determinants, including health behaviors, social, and economic factors, account for 80 percent of health outcomes in a population, compared with 20 percent attributed to clinical care ([Magnan 2017](#)). To address this reality, the health care industry has been moving services out of clinical settings and into the communities where people live ([Servat and Super 2019](#)).

Historically, the US Medicare program has paid only for acute care services such as hospital stays, physician visits, and other services determined to be medically necessary by a physician. In particular, Medicare does not provide LTC coverage for nursing homes or personal care needs such as help with bathing or dressing (HHS 2017). Many Americans mistakenly believe that Medicare pays for these services and are surprised to find out it does not (Insured Retirement Institute 2019).

MA, originally named the Medicare+Choice program, was created under the 1997 Balanced Budget Act in response to growing support for private alternatives to traditional Medicare. Private health plans have been part of the Medicare program since its inception in 1965, first operating under risk-based contracts with health maintenance organizations (HMOs), which grew substantially from the 1980s onward. MA plans are required to submit estimates of the costs of providing traditional Medicare benefits and, if their payment rates exceed those costs, to provide additional benefits to their enrollees equal to the value of the surplus. MA plans traditionally include benefits such as prescription drug benefits, and vision and dental care as a means to attract more enrollees.

The 2004 Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization of Act (MMA) further changed how private plans (now named MA) are paid under Medicare. Under the current bidding process, MA plans that bid below the county-level spending benchmarks are offered rebates in the amount of the value of the surplus, which then converts to additional benefits to the enrollee. MMA also paved the way for more private plan options within MA including regional preferred provider options (PPOs), Special Needs Plans (SNPs), and a coordinated care plan designed to deliver targeted care to address the needs of specific vulnerable populations. Today, 13 percent of MA enrollees are in SNPs, with 85 percent of those being dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare (Jacobson et al. 2019). Enrollment in MA has nearly doubled over the past decade. In 2019, the majority of the 64 million people on Medicare were covered by traditional Medicare, but one-third (34%) were enrolled in MA plans (Jacobson et al. 2019). The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) projects that MA enrollment will continue to grow over the next decade, with plans enrolling about 47 percent of beneficiaries by 2029, compared with 34 percent in 2018 (Jacobson et al. 2019; see Figure 8.4).

Promising new approaches

With growing evidence confirming that provision of supportive services saves costs in the long run, Medicare has begun experimenting with

Figure 8.4 Enrollment in Medicare Advantage has nearly doubled, 2010–2019

Note: Includes cost plans as well as Medicare Advantage plans. About 64 million people were enrolled in Medicare in 2019.

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation (2019).

covering non-medical services, such as transportation and home-meal delivery. Accordingly, the line has blurred between supporting social determinants of health and providing LTSS.

Medicare Advantage special supplemental benefits Through the 2019 enactment of the Creating High-Quality Results and Outcomes Necessary to Improve Chronic (CHRONIC) Care Act, MA plans for the first time can pay for services that are not primarily health related. These ‘special supplemental benefits’ can be targeted to meet the needs of certain chronically ill enrollees. With Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidance, MA plans have been granted significant flexibility around who is eligible for these benefits and the services they receive (Anne Tumlinson Innovations & Long-Term Quality Alliance 2019). Analysis of publicly available data from CMS indicates that 512 plans (16% of all MA plans) will offer at least one of the new supplemental benefits (Long-Term Quality Alliance & ATI Advisory 2020).

Value-based insurance design In 2017, CMS began testing the MA VBID model, providing insurers with the ability to offer beneficiaries diagnosed with select chronic diseases various incentives (e.g. reduced cost-sharing and additional supplemental benefits) for utilization of services that providers considered to be of high clinical value. The model aims to ‘reduce Medicare program expenditures, enhance the quality of care for Medicare beneficiaries, including dual-eligible beneficiaries, and improve the coordination and efficiency of health care service delivery’ (CMS 2019). The model was initially made available to seven states covering seven

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chronic diseases; CMS then expanded it to all 50 states and territories ([Murphy-Barron et al. 2019](#)).

The scope of MA's VBIID program has also expanded. Initially, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) allowed participating MA plans to target enrollees with any of only seven chronic conditions: diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, past stroke, hypertension, coronary artery disease, and mood disorders. In 2018, rheumatoid arthritis and dementia were added to the list. Consequently, the uptake from insurers has been significant. The number of MA members enrolled in plans with value-based payment designs more than tripled from 2019 to 2020. CMS announced expansions to the VBIID model, to include further customization of plans based on socioeconomic status, increasing access to telehealth services, and incentives for wellness program participation, including premium reduction and, eventually, a hospice benefit.

Overall, the VBIID program offers MA plans a great deal of flexibility to offer person-centered care, which could make available some LTSS to Medicare beneficiaries. The potential benefits of the VBIID model to MA plans are many and include ([Murphy-Barron et al. 2019](#)):

- Possible savings due to avoidance of costly medical care
- Improved health outcomes
- Future increases in enrollment due to enhanced benefits or reduced cost-sharing
- Broadened networks due to telehealth services
- Plan flexibility

Given this new regulatory flexibility, major payers have developed specific evaluation frameworks around non-medical benefits to enrollees. For example, [Humana \(2019\)](#) is targeting social determinants with its Bold Goal Initiative, focused on food insecurity, loneliness, and social isolation 'because of their direct impact on healthy days and clinical outcomes,' the company states. These initiatives include a predictive model allowing care managers and clinicians to identify patients at risk of loneliness and isolation. In December 2019, the company announced a new partnership with Philips, a leading technology company, to implement remote monitoring solutions as a fall prevention benefit for at-risk members.

Aetna is partnering with Meals on Wheels America to focus on technology-based care coordination to track the well-being of members in the home environment. Through this partnership, Meals on Wheels created a technology-based platform to allow Meals on Wheels volunteers to track noticeable health changes in free-meal recipients. The current project is operating in four markets, serving 50 clients per market ([Bryant](#)

2019). Meals on Wheels also has a larger scale project in three markets with Humana to address social determinants of health (e.g. food insecurity, loneliness, and medication management). Aetna's MA plan also includes a new fall prevention supplemental benefit for qualifying members in the form of an annual allowance on home safety features (Aetna 2019).

New benefits in traditional Medicare Medicare is receiving a great deal of political attention, yet most discussions on the Democratic side have focused on ways to expand coverage to all Americans, rather than on how to increase benefits to address the growing LTC crisis. Both Senators Bernie Sanders (I-VT) and Elizabeth Warren's (D-MA) proposals for 'Medicare for All' suggested expanding Medicare to cover LTSS. These proposals harken back to 2005 when some policymakers proposed the creation of Medicare Part E (or Extra) to help pay for prescription drugs and other out-of-pocket expenses (Cooper et al. 2005). Prescription drug coverage was added to Medicare as Part D under the MMA in 2016. To date, President Joe Biden has crafted a plan modeled after the 2019 Credit for Caring Act, which would allow some of America's 40 million family caregivers to receive a tax credit of up to \$3,000 to help defray LTSS costs; Biden's proposal increases the tax credit to \$5,000.

In 2018, Republican Frank Pallone (D-NJ), chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, offered a draft Part E amendment, the Medicare Long-Term Care Services and Supports Act (House Energy and Commerce Committee, 2018). This proposal would establish a cash benefit within Medicare for beneficiaries to use toward all LTSS, including nursing facility care, adult daycare programs, home health aide services, personal care services, transportation, and assistance provided by a family caregiver. Draft legislation has not yet been introduced in the House since it was proposed two years ago.

New Medigap options Medicare Supplement Insurance or Medigap policies are private plans, available from insurance companies or through brokers, but not on the CMS website (Medicare.gov). Medigap plans are designed to fill the gaps in Medicare coverage for costs such as copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles. They differ from MA as the latter provides coverage for all health services. Medigap plans do cover some of the benefits that traditional, fee-for-service Medicare does not, and they are standardized and regulated at the state level. Labeled Plans A, B, C, D, F, G, K, L, M, and N.² each have a different coverage set standardized by Medicare. Essential for those with pre-existing conditions, only four states (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New York) require either continuous or annual guaranteed issue protections for beneficiaries regardless of medical history (Boccuti et al. 2018).

While Medigap plans have not traditionally covered LTSS, states that are not subject to federal uniformity standards (i.e. Massachusetts, Minnesota, and Wisconsin) may have more flexibility to experiment with adding non-medical benefits to address the needs of those enrolled in traditional Medicare. States with larger shares of enrollees in Medigap plans tend to be located in the Midwest and Plains states where access to MA plans is lower. In 2018, the Minnesota Department of Human Services proposed to provide a home care benefit for Medigap and MA plans. Actuaries calculated that a one-year, \$100-a-day home care benefit would add about \$21 to a monthly Medigap premium ([John Cutler Consulting 2018](#)).

Barriers to expansion

Opportunities to expand MA supplemental benefits depend on the availability of rebate dollars which vary widely across geographic markets. Rebates, which average \$107 per month in 2019 across the nation, can range from as little as \$2 in North Dakota to \$159 in Florida ([Skopec et al. 2019](#)).

CMS criteria for targeting supplemental non-medical benefits also present implementation challenges. According to the rules, non-medical benefits can be targeted based on *clinical criteria* rather than *social needs*, and coding can vary significantly across providers, making eligibility criteria challenging to navigate. Due to issues related to licensing and payment, MA plans are also concerned with how to provide these new benefits across multiple states ([Long-term Quality Alliance 2018](#)).

Actuaries have had difficulty modeling the real cost of providing discrete supplemental benefits, which has created an atmosphere of uncertainty and may partly account for the relatively slow and conservative rollout of such services. MA plans cautiously rolled out these new benefits in 2020, and experts anticipate that a broader distribution of benefits across markets in the future will enable more reliable economic analyses.

Critics of MA expansion efforts note that the model is not available everywhere in the US, and MA plans restrict access to doctors outside of their plans' network. Moreover, MA plans have not penetrated rural areas and are found mainly in more densely populated markets. Thus, in six states (Florida, Hawaii, Minnesota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin) and Puerto Rico, over 40 percent of Medicare beneficiaries are enrolled in an MA plan. By contrast, in two more rural states (Alaska and Wyoming), fewer than 10 percent of all beneficiaries are enrolled in MA plans ([Jacobson et al. 2019](#)).

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Neal (D-MA) has also invited NAIC to explore the financial feasibility of adding LTC to Medigap policies. [NAIC \(2019\)](#) concluded that the addition of LTC benefits could make such coverage cost-prohibitive for most Medicare beneficiaries. The entity also noted other barriers to Medigap coverage of including LTC,

such as anti-selection, plan uniformity across states versus optional riders, and potential market disruption.

While the majority of Medicare beneficiaries are enrolled in traditional (or fee-for-service) Medicare, almost all innovation in recent years has occurred in MA plans and other shared-risk programs. This may be because it is challenging to bundle packages of services under traditional Medicare due to its fee-for-service nature.

To summarize, several promising strategies to use Medicare as a vehicle to provide coverage for some LTSS are as follows:

- Continue to test the expansion of MA special supplemental benefits (e.g. home-meal delivery and transportation services) to measure the economic and health impacts;
- Test and expand the delivery of LTSS under VBID model; and
- Create new Medicare Part E in traditional Medicare to cover LTSS or new Medigap plans to cover LTC costs.

Technological Solutions

With a rapidly aging population and high costs for care, technology offers deep potential to fill a wide gap between the demand for and the availability of services.

Current state of technology

LTSS typically requires high touch interaction, but technology can help meet needs for those who cannot afford to pay for services or who live in remote areas where access is limited. Technology will not replace human interaction, yet it can bring supportive services into the home and community. This was especially seen when care delivery was rapidly adapted to reduce transmission risk of COVID-19 across the globe in 2020, including for those providing or receiving in-person LTSS. Safety requirements, such as sharply restricting visitors to nursing homes and assisted living facilities, have increased the risk of social isolation and lack of access to routine medical care for millions of older adults. Technology can serve as a bridge when in-person care is not a viable option; however, COVID-19 has also exposed the limitations of a technology, especially for older adults who do not have access to broadband or personal computers.

During our interviews, numerous ideas for technology came up, ranging from remote monitoring to robots. Still, two main questions arose: who will pay for the integration of the technology, and how likely is it that it will be demonstrably cost-effective? New technology, from wearables and home surveillance to predictive analytics, promises to help lower costs and

improve quality of care. Yet many programs are still in the pilot phase, requiring additional funding and coordination to achieve scale. To date, there is little evidence of incremental cost savings, and monitoring and evaluation costs add to the funding gap for start-ups and care providers.

Promising new approaches

Emerging technologies have significant potential to assist older adults as they age and to better coordinate LTSS. Health and LTCI companies, as well as CMS, will play essential roles in adoption rates because many of these tools can be given or shared at a discount to participants in order to encourage use, as a potentially more effective distribution channel than a purely direct-to-consumer model. We see four emerging technologies that could maximize the independence of aging Americans and reduce the economic and health impacts of cognitive and physical limitations: (1) predictive analytics; (2) telehealth; (3) remote monitoring; and (4) assisted mobility. Also, we've identified several models that could be enhanced to ensure funding is available to test and then scale up these emerging technologies.

Predictive analytics With the availability of big data, predictive analytics have become ubiquitous. This capability allows predicting the future using data from the past ([Davenport 2014](#)), a valuable tool for diagnosticians and providers looking to improve the quality of care and lower costs. According to [Deloitte \(2019\)](#), the main areas of potential benefit from predictive analytics are the improvement of business operations, personal medicine to improve diagnosis and treatment, and cohort treatment and epidemiology to assess potential risk factors for public health. The [Society of Actuaries \(2017\)](#) found that 93 percent of health organizations say predictive analytics is vital to the future of their business, and an impressive 89 percent of providers claimed that they are currently using predictive analytics or are planning to adopt the technology within the next five years.

Data generated by new technologies may also allow service providers and insurers to intervene earlier and with more specificity to lower costs and improve quality. Tech giant Google has already made strides using predictive analytics to improve diagnostics and has had several high-profile successes. Google-owned DeepMind developed an algorithm that identified acute kidney disease 48 hours before physicians did ([Tomasev et al. 2019](#)).

The LTCI industry traditionally has had to estimate how many people would file claims, set their premiums, and enroll participants, hoping projections were accurate; but the forecasts were often not accurate. Many experts we interviewed observed that the health insurance industry has become much more aggressive about intervening to reduce risk, based on

data analytics. The LTCI industry could take advantage of these new technological tools to better manage risk, from improved underwriting with data on cohort characteristics, to coordinated claim management with a better understanding of specific issues such as falls prevention.

In partnership with the John A. Hartford Foundation, CVS Minute Clinics have agreed to integrate ‘Age-Friendly Health Systems’ practices into 1,100 clinics across the US (CVS 2014). They identified the 4Ms as evidence-based practices that emphasize:

- **What Matters:** Care aligned with each older adult’s health goals and care preferences.
- **Medication:** Use of age-friendly medications that do not interfere with goals and preferences, mobility, or mentation.
- **Mentation:** Prevention, treatment, and management of dementia, depression, and delirium.
- **Mobility:** Ensuring that older adults move safely every day to maintain function and do what matters.

By implementing these care principles delivered in convenient care settings with electronic data exchange capabilities, CVS seeks to provide more integrated care for treatment of chronic conditions associated with aging such as diabetes and hypertension (Dolansky and Pohnert 2019). The nurse practitioners who provide care to these older adults will be able to share data regarding the visits with participants’ health plans and providers.

Telehealth Broader adoption and reimbursement for telehealth could revolutionize the speed of health and LTC delivery as it can facilitate communication between providers and patients and expedite the delivery of care in emergencies. Telehealth is currently used mainly to manage certain chronic conditions such as diabetes and heart failure (CDC 2019a). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)’s National Diabetes Prevention Program has increased access and flexibility for the program by offering 200 of its curricula and handouts online (CDC 2019b).

Telehealth can also help reduce barriers to care for people who live far away from their providers, especially in rural communities, and for those who have transportation or mobility limitations. According to Eldercare Locator, a government-sponsored, national, toll-free hotline, the number one reason older adults call the hotline is because of transportation problems (National Association of Area Agencies on Aging 2020). Transportation barriers are frequently mentioned by patients as a major reason for missing appointments, and missed medical appointments are associated

with increased medical costs for the patient, delayed care and communication between providers and patients, and increased use of emergency departments. For instance, [Sviokla et al. \(2010\)](#) reported that missed appointments cost the US health care system \$150 billion each year.

Despite its potential, telehealth use is not yet widespread, and has not been widely reimbursed for the patient or the provider. Due to COVID-19, however, we saw a rapid increase in telehealth by providers and patients.

In March 2020, CMS responded to the COVID-19 crisis and the need to provide necessary care to at-risk individuals by temporarily relaxing certain requirements for telehealth usage by Medicare providers. Prior to COVID, individuals had to live in rural areas, to be at an ‘originating site’ or designated medical facility to receive telehealth services. Under the new rules, telehealth has been expanded to cover almost all Medicare beneficiaries, including its use on smartphones, and the expansion of coverage to include non-COVID-related care ([CMS 2020](#)). In the past, getting patients to use telehealth was often a stumbling block for telehealth adoption. But in the wake of COVID-19, use of telehealth services expanded rapidly. From March to April 2020 alone, Medicare beneficiaries increased their use of telehealth by nearly 120-fold, from 11,000 to 1.3 million ([Alliance for Connected Care 2020](#)).

Remote monitoring Technology also permits providers to monitor their patients remotely and extend data gathering beyond the clinical setting ([Center for Connected Health Policy 2019](#)). Such remote monitoring can reduce hospital readmission rates, though more extensive studies are needed to compute return on investment for health outcomes ([Center for Connected Health Policy 2018](#)).

Of late, several high-profile technology firms have focused on remote monitoring. In 2019, Apple made a significant partnership with an MA plan to collect data from the Apple wrist watch, and additional Apple partnerships with Medicare private plans are likely ([Peters 2019](#)). Humana has also partnered with Philips to provide its high-risk MA members with Philips’ Lifeline medical alert service, a remote monitoring device ([Reuter 2019](#)).

Health plans are increasingly supplying their members with tools including iPads that patients can take home for a limited period following a hospital stay. CareMore Health, an integrated delivery system owned by Anthem, also offers remote monitoring as part of its suite of services to help patients manage their chronic conditions. For example, patients in their heart failure program are given a wireless scale to use at home that provides data directly to their clinician. The clinician will see whether a patient has experienced rapid weight gain, an indication that medical attention is required ([Hostetter et al. 2017](#)). New partnerships with existing consumer channels also show significant potential to improve access to data. The new

company model created by the merger of CVS Health and Aetna is poised to make such conveniences commonplace, using pharmacies as a significant delivery disruption. With stores located in virtually every US neighborhood, and the ability to integrate consumer and payer data, CVS predicts that the combined effort will improve the consumer health experience and build healthier communities (Servat and Super 2019).

One of the indirect impacts of the COVID-19 crisis on older adults, particularly in LTC facilities, is the enforcement of isolation to reduce risk of transmission. While the individuals in these care settings are the most at risk for adverse outcomes from the virus, the health risks from loneliness and social isolation can also significantly increase the likelihood of chronic illnesses and premature death. In response, the Advancing Connectivity during the Coronavirus to Ensure Support for Seniors (ACCESS) Act was introduced in April 2020 to expand access to technology for those in nursing homes and care facilities, and to allow residents to utilize telehealth services and virtual visits with loved ones while remaining socially distanced for their safety (US Senate, Office of Amy Klobuchar 2020). This legislation creates an environment that supports better connections for patient care and potentially improves health outcomes with both medical and non-medical intervention strategies without increasing patients' risk of COVID-19 transmission.

Health information technology can support advancements in care coordination and sharing of essential health information as individuals transition across care settings such as through long-term and post-acute care (LTPAC). Enhanced care coordination between acute care and LTPAC providers will enhance the quality of care provided in LTPAC facilities and reduce costs. Individuals receiving LTPAC services today frequently have chronic conditions and co-morbidities; transitions between care settings are common, creating the risk of complications, and often resulting in hospital readmission (Banger et al. 2020).

Assisted mobility As noted above, lack of access to transportation makes it difficult for some older adults to keep their health care appointments. Medicaid has long offered transportation as a covered benefit, but MA plans have only recently been offering this option. Some health plans have also begun offering vouchers for rideshare services such as Uber and Lyft. In 2016, CareMore Health recognized the cost savings potential of providing non-emergency medical transportation and carried out a pilot with rideshare service Lyft. It found that transportation costs decreased by 32 percent, among other positive outcomes, and so the firm expanded the service to 75,000 members nationally (Powers et al. 2016, 2018). Outside of medical appointments, transportation challenges limit older adults' independence and their ability to engage socially with their communities, a factor proven to be relevant to health outcomes. Recognizing the difficulty of getting

around, the city of Monrovia in Southern California partnered with Lyft to offer subsidized rates with rides costing as little as 50 cents and up to \$3.50 (Servat and Super 2019).

Another development is delivery via apps for everything from groceries to home projects. An MIT AgeLab study found that using App-directed services (e.g. for household errands, transportation, and home-meal delivery) for aging adults wishing to remain in their own homes cost less than the average monthly cost of assisted living, even with the need for services increasing with individuals' diminishing physical capability (Miller et al. 2018).

Funding vehicles We also identified several models that could be enhanced to ensure existing funding is more efficiently allocated, and to allow for new types of financing to bridge existing gaps across a continuum of capital from grants to investments. These include:

- **The State Grants for Assistive Technology**, which increase accessibility to assistive technology for individuals with disabilities of all ages (ACL 2019). This program provides one grant to each state and territory, based mainly on population. Approximately \$28.1 million in grants was awarded in 2019, and many of those whom we interviewed agreed that there was insufficient funding for testing new technologies, and specifically for LTC applications. Government grants provide capital that is 'cost-free' in that the funding would not be repaid, which is critical for private companies that are reliant on generating revenue to pay investors. Given the success of the existing program, it could be expanded to the LTC market more broadly.
- **The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs** were created by the National Institute on Aging (NIA) to bring innovative technologies and treatments to market (NIA 2019). SBIR is designed to encourage American small businesses to engage in federal research and development with commercialization as the ultimate goal. The model achieved success, and in 2019 it provided an estimated \$105 million to start-ups in this space (Hannon 2020). The SBIR program is unique in that it can drive new research and technology innovation, and it will also support small businesses to grow and scale up new products that show potential. Additional investments could be instrumental in bringing more technologies to scale (SBA Office of Investment & Innovation 2015).
- **Impact investment funds** and other forms of capital can provide funding opportunities beyond government grants for new technology adoption. Impact investors tend to be those seeking some financial return but who may need less than the market rate if the social return is quantifiable. For example, the Clean Energy Trust Impact Fund provides seed funding to 'cleantech' companies which require assistance to move a product from

pilot to commercialization. The fund is structured to catalyze additional investment by providing capital at one of the riskiest stages of development. Parallels can be drawn from untested cleantech companies and those in the LTC space, as both have high costs to move past the pilot stage to scale up their operations, and both need customers, individual and strategic, for product adoption. Many cleantech companies have to rely on uptake from agencies like utility firms, much like LTC tech products that may need to be integrated into government or nonprofit service providers. Navigating public-private partnerships and gaining low cost capital could be a useful way to bring to scale new technology for LTC.

Barriers to expansion

Adoption of technology in the LTC space has slowed in part because providers have not been eligible for the subsidies granted to hospitals and doctors under the 2019 Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act. Even when adopted, many new technologies are still relatively unproven, and better data are required to show demonstrable improvements to care. Thus far, interventions from remote monitoring to predictive analytics have been structured as pilot programs while the results are gathered on efficacy and efficiency.

To improve and scale up the four promising practices listed above, the communication pathways and accuracy of the information moving between primary care doctors, specialists, hospital settings, and skilled nursing facilities must be reliable and easily shared. Interoperability (i.e. the capacity for different systems, devices, and applications to access, exchange, integrate, and cooperatively use data) remains a substantial challenge, especially for operations outside of hospital-based systems and physicians' offices. Poor communication can have serious medical consequences, while smooth transitions can improve care (JaWanna et al. 2018). The Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) for Health Information Technology showed that, as of 2017, seven of 10 hospitals studied still received summary care records via mail or fax (Johnson et al. 2018).

In March 2020, the ONC of Health Information Technology, in conjunction with CMS, released the 21st Century Cures Act Final Rule for expanding interoperability between patients, health care providers, and medical professionals. New requirements include the implementation of patient application program interface (API) services that facilitate access to information on health care costs and limited clinical information; patient clinical data exchange systems that create cumulative medical history records and ease patient transfer between payers; and the requirement of hospitals to notify a patient's other care providers of a change in patient status (e.g. admission, transfer, or discharge) (HHS 2020). The government can continue to improve interoperability by creating additional standards

for implementation and software; increasing transparency regarding data and privacy; and incentivizing the appropriate use of electronic health information to improve health and well-being (DeSalvo 2015).

In summary, important hurdles remain for funding research and design efforts for new technology and scale successful programs. To advance technology solutions improving LTC financing and delivery, several public-private strategies are available and worth exploring further:

- Pilot test technology that has worked in the health care sector (e.g. predictive analytics, telehealth, remote monitoring, and assisted mobility in multiple locations across different settings of care).
- Improve interoperability by creating additional standards for implementation and software; increasing transparency regarding data and privacy; and incentivizing the appropriate use of electronic health information to improve health and well-being.
- Close the funding gap for technology to support LTC by establishing a federal-level small business seed fund targeting aging-related technology companies, modeled after the State Grant for Assistive Technology program; creating an impact investment fund to support the development of emerging technologies; and scaling up public-private subsidy programs for insurers and care providers to offer technology at low or no cost to users.

Conclusion

Though new models to provide LTC are a pressing concern, Medicare today only covers minimal aspects of LTSS, and Medicaid eligibility is limited to individuals who meet strict income and asset requirements. However, most Americans are underprepared to self-fund the high cost of care and the private LTCI market has suffered severe restrictions in recent years. This study has identified a menu of potential solutions to help address the related LTC funding gaps, market failures, and care delivery needs.

Because of the urgency created by this impending crisis, it is crucial for all stakeholders to ask how each participate in this exploratory phase. Many new models for funding and service delivery warrant more testing and design. Our organization, the Milken Institute, seeks to continue this work through our Financial Innovations Lab series.³

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Notes

1. In addition to Washington State, several other states are also working on LTC access and affordability, including Arizona, California, Hawaii, Illinois, and Michigan. Lawmakers in California, Illinois, and Michigan have approved studies that will explore residents' needs and a variety of potential LTC solutions. Arizona has embarked on a two-year pilot program in 2020 that supports caregivers by providing grants to reimburse for caregiving expenses, up to \$1,000 (Wiltz 2019). Hawaii has implemented the Kūpuna Caregivers Program, which supports unpaid family caregivers who also work outside the home for at least 30 hours per week. Program participants are eligible for up to \$70 per day in benefits, which can be applied toward a variety of services. The program aims to ease the financial burden of caregiving and help the family caregiver maintain his or her employment outside of the home (Paying for Senior Care 2015).
2. PAC includes rehabilitation or palliative services that people receive after, or in some cases instead of, a stay in an acute care hospital. Depending on the intensity of care the patient requires, treatment may include a stay in a facility, ongoing outpatient therapy, or care provided at home (Medicare Payment Advisory Commission 2020).
3. The Milken Institute Financial Innovations Labs are miniature think tanks designed to devise new business models, policy recommendations, capital structures, and financial technologies that can achieve concrete goals. By bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders, Financial Innovation Labs encourage collaboration between players who may not normally interact.

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