A single integrated AI-driven platform positions McLaren to generate tremendous operational efficiencies and savings

**Who/where**
McLaren Health Care, Grand Blanc, Michigan

**Challenge**
Integrate data from various sources to manage multiple VBC contracts

**Solution**
Persivia CareSpace®

**Results:**
- In 2019 the McLaren ACO was the 6th best performing MSSP ACO in the country generating over **$34 million in savings**

**Meeting the Challenge of integrating data and managing different VBC contracts**

How does an ACO consolidate data across 4400+ physicians and 1140+ practices? And how can the data be used effectively to better manage care and meet the requirements of multiple concurrent value-based care (VBC) contracts?

Headquartered in Grand Blanc, Michigan, McLaren Health Care includes 14 hospitals, 1140+ practices, 4400+ providers ambulatory surgery centres, imaging centres, and commercial and Medicaid HMOs covering more than 550,000 lives in Michigan and Indiana. Over the years, McLaren has launched or become involved in multiple value-based care programs including a MSSP ACO, Medicare Advantage, multiple commercial risk programs and bundled payment programs as well as taking on Medicaid risk. They have been dealing with multiple data sources including the McKesson legacy in-patient EHR, moving to Cerner as their single in-patient EHR, 20+ ambulatory EHRs, 7 different claims data feeds and ADT data from the state-wide MIHIN HIE.
McLaren has a central group of nurses that provides care management and care coordination services across all the different APMs. This group was using 5 different point solutions:

- A Care Coordination solution
- A Care Management solution
- A Cost Analytics solution
- A Registry solution
- A HEDIS Analytics and Reporting solution

The 5 different point solutions McLaren was using were causing massive inefficiencies and were not up to the task of managing patients in the multiple VBC programs with data from over 30 different sources. For example, McLaren had a team of nurses that were spending their entire time just risk stratifying the patient population for the care management team. This had an impact on both patient care and team morale.

McLaren had defined a set of interlocking needs for consolidating its clinical quality measures (CQM) multiple value-based and alternate payment programs onto one platform. Significantly, this complex set of requirements had to be implemented by the end of 2019.

“**My biggest concern was how do we keep some of our legacy systems active and still meet our interoperability and other technology goals,”** said Mark Gray, McLaren’s Corporate Director of Information Technology. “We’re a large organization and we have a lot of clinicians using different information technology systems as well as a large patient population to care for. How do we make sure we aren’t putting an additional reporting burden on clinicians while taking advantage of some of the unique payer opportunities that we have in Michigan to help us control costs and deliver quality care?”

**Selecting the right platform**

McLaren ran a very structured process to select a single platform to replace all these systems and support all the APMs culminating in an all-day session with multiple McLaren teams (Executive, Care Management, Analytics, IT etc.) spending time with the finalists.

Persivia’s CareSpace® platform was the unanimous selection across all the teams. Persivia finished integrating the first 20 EHRs and 300 practices and went live in about 60 days from contract signing as per McLaren’s requirements.

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<th>Improved Cost &amp; Analytics Performance</th>
<th>Right Patient Information at the right time</th>
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<td><em>CareSpace®</em> improved McLaren’s care management capabilities by adding:</td>
<td><em>CareSpace®</em> improved Cost Analytics performance and provides much faster loading of reports. Additionally, McLaren now has a way to:</td>
<td>The legacy registry was based on clinical guidelines and failed to address McLaren’s need for providing feedback on metrics where payers reimbursement was tied.</td>
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<td>- Strong risk stratification capabilities</td>
<td>- Visualize Year-on-Year cost differences Reports on</td>
<td>The <em>CareSpace®</em> registry has the capability to display metrics which are relevant to the various APMs providers are involved in, thus resulting in an improved uptake by the providers. Moreover, the <em>CareSpace®</em> provided quality registries are completely integrated with the care management managers to efficiently and effectively close quality gaps.</td>
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<td>- Ability to provide virtual care from the same platform</td>
<td>- Most expensive facilities, providers and patients</td>
<td>McLaren now has the <em>CareSpace®</em> HEDIS registry that can also report supplemental data to commercial payers</td>
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<td>- Direct integration of ADT feeds and view of all encounters and schedules for each patient</td>
<td>- Admission and readmissions</td>
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Population Health Management done right

McLaren is leveraging Persivia to succeed in a range of alternate payment and quality programs, including: BPCI Advanced, Medicare Advantage, Medicaid, Blue Cross Blue Shield Michigan, and McLaren's Accountable Care Organization (ACO), the McLaren High Performance Network.

Benefits achieved

With the ability to aggregate and analyze high-quality data across multiple payers and types of contracts, CareSpace empowers McLaren to streamline analytics, workflows, and program participation, enabling success under multiple concurrent payment models. The Intuitive, easy-to-read dashboards engage user teams with a variety of reports, meeting their diverse needs, presenting the data they need to close care gaps, identify high-risk patients and manage care. CareSpace's single platform architecture allows McLaren to typically replace five point-solutions while improving performance and usability.

Looking forward to a successful future

“Our CareSpace users are happy – they don’t have to go to many different EMRs to get the information they need to properly service the McLaren patient,” said Gray. “Persivia has helped us save time and money, avoid penalties, and improve our ability to report and analyze data, leading to better patient safety and improved care quality.” “Our relationship with Persivia has grown and strengthened over the years and we absolutely see Persivia as part of our future success.”

“Because the payer/provider market in Michigan is more progressive, there are more programs to participate in.” said Mansoor Khan, CEO of Persivia. “These unique market conditions make it especially appropriate for healthcare organizations like McLaren to partner with Persivia”.

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“CareSpace’s single platform architecture allows our clients to typically replace five to six-point solutions while improving performance and usability. CareSpace organizes and integrates data while streamlining analytics, workflows, and program participation, enabling success under multiple concurrent payment models. Mark and his team at McLaren have done a great job taking advantage of these opportunities to benefit their patient population and we’re excited to continue the partnership.”

-Dr. Mansoor Khan, CEO Persivia Inc.