

## Guiding Principles & Goals

### Principles :

- ❖ Every patient should have a primary care home in her/his own neighborhood.
- ❖ Primary care home providers should have access to all of the patients' data from the Network hospital, as well as specialty and diagnostic resources.
- ❖ All Network providers adopt consensus care guidelines to inform the treatment plans for patients with chronic disease conditions.
- ❖ Primary care providers receive extra training and have specialty care telephone back-up to enable more effective and efficient access to specialty care services at the primary care home.
- ❖ Patients are empowered to manage their own care and those patients with heightened clinical and social needs (frequent users) are provided with a care manager to help the patient navigate health care and social services systems.

These principles serve as a guide for the LAC+USC Camino de Salud Network to accomplish the following goals:

### **Network Goals:**

1. Improve health outcomes for all patients in the Network.
2. Decrease avoidable utilization of the Medical Center's Emergency Department (ED), inpatient, and specialty care resources from Network partners.
3. Support Network partners in providing a higher level of care to high acuity patients.
4. Decrease duplication of services for LAC+USC Medical Center patients seen at Network partner clinics.
5. Share resources among Network partners to ensure effective utilization of existing resources.
6. Increase coordination and communication between providers.
7. Improve payer mix for all Network partners.