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Serving as Medical Homes?

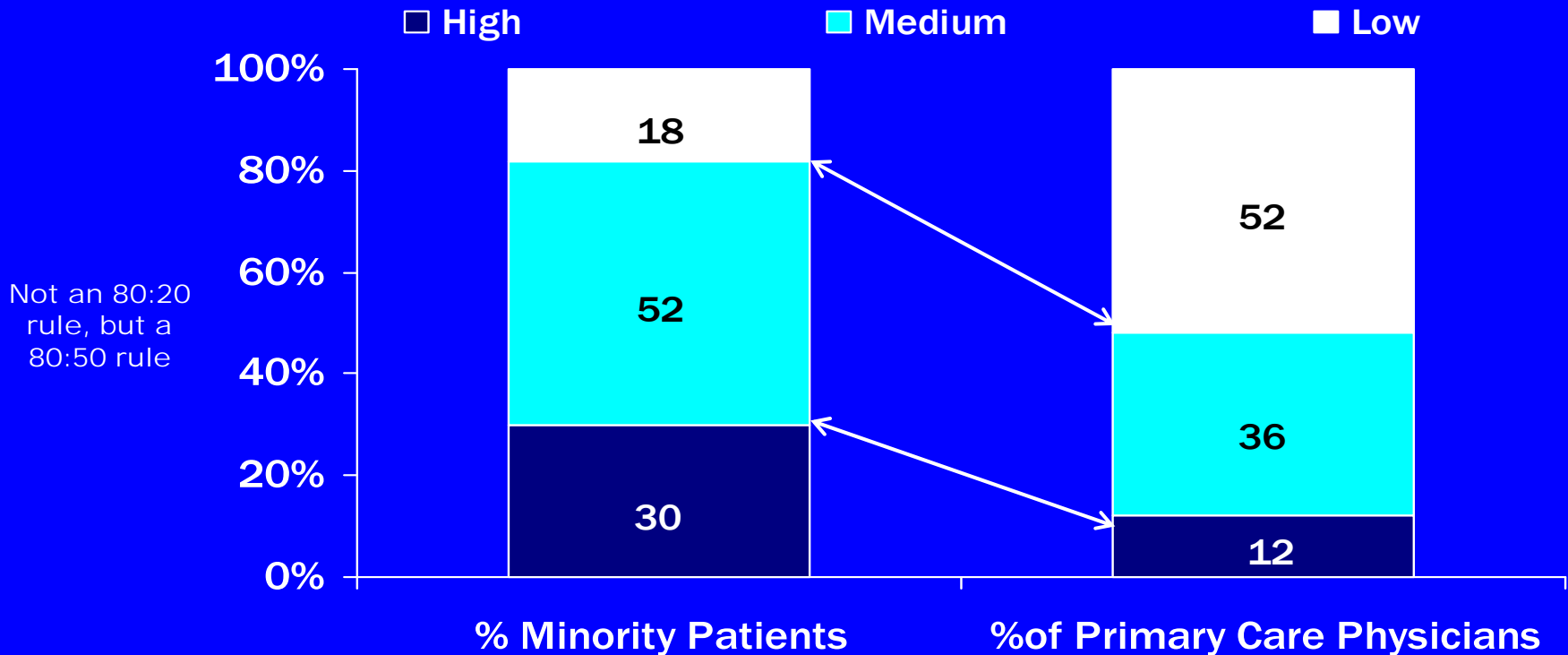
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Care for Minority Patients Is Concentrated Among a Few Providers

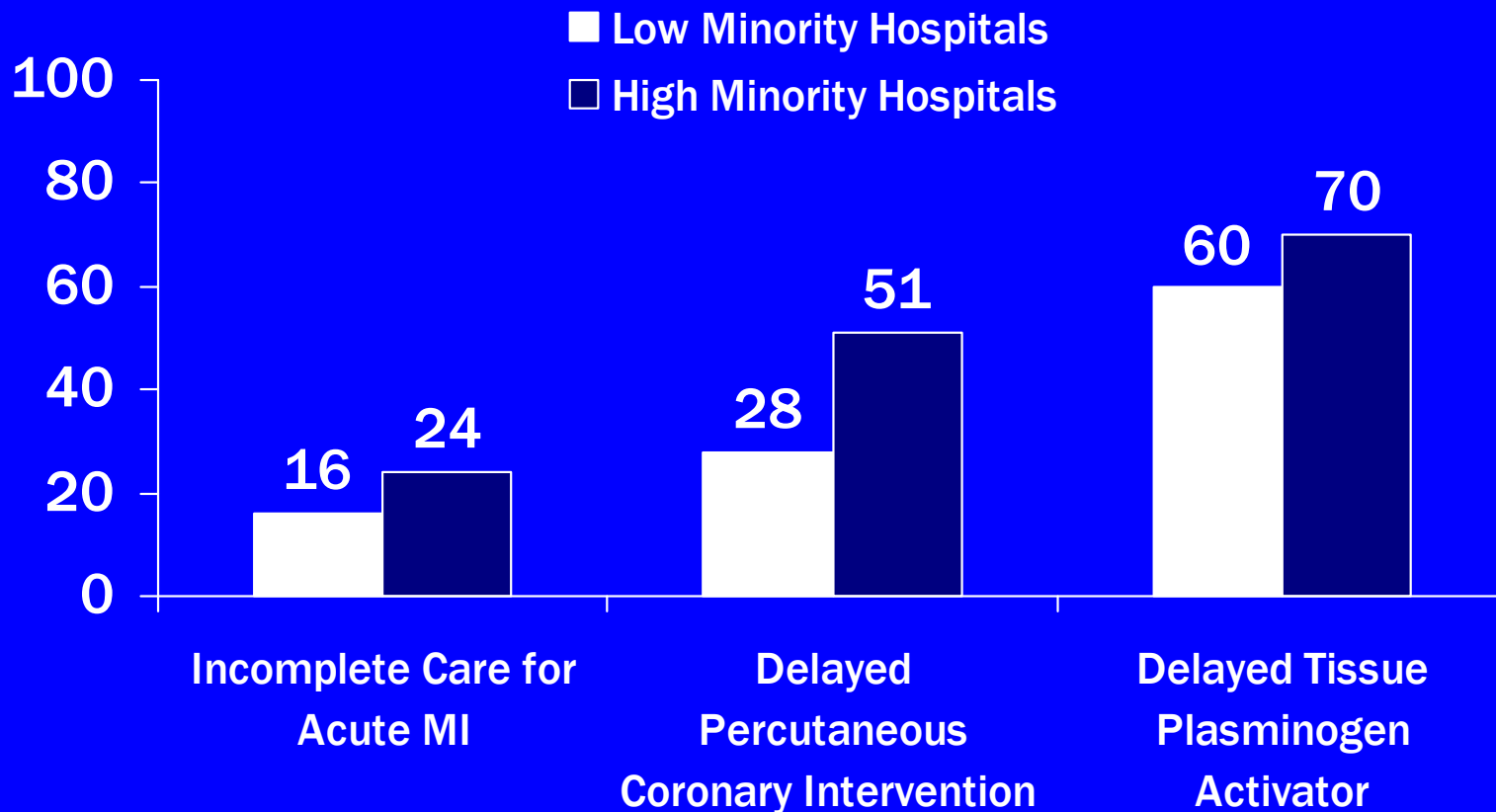
Half of All Minority Patients Are Treated by One-Third of Primary Care Physicians



Source: J. D. Reschovsky and A. S. O'Malley, Do Primary Care Physicians Treating Minority Patients Report Problems Delivering High-Quality Care?, *Health Affairs* Web Exclusive, Apr. 22, 2008, w222?w230



Health care is often separate and not equal: Minorities generally get care in lower performing health care settings



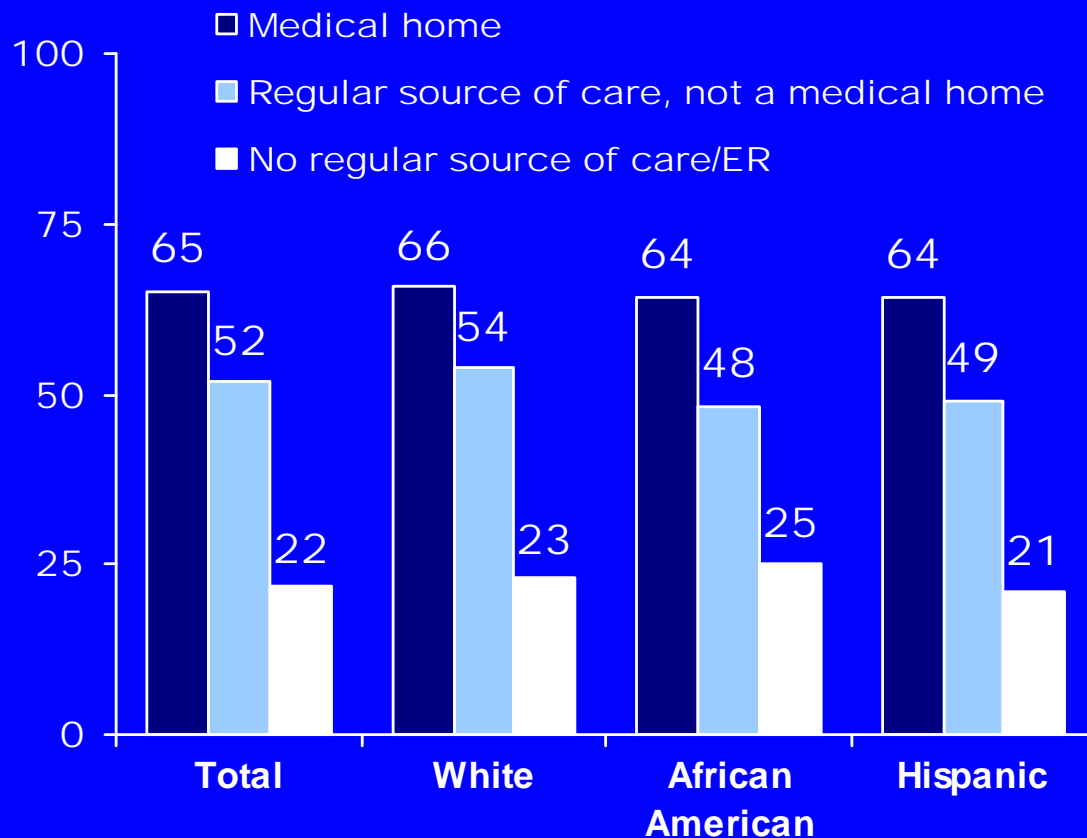
Note: High minority= >60% minority; Low minority= <10%

Source: Unpublished HQA data, Romana Hasnain-Wynia, PhD, Northwestern University



Medical Home Can Reduce Disparities

Percent of adults 18-64 receiving a reminder to schedule a preventive visit by doctors' office



Minorities with a medical home are just as likely to

-- Receive reminders for preventive care visits

-- Report always getting the care they need when they need it

Minorities with a medical home are less likely to feel treated with disrespect



* Compared with reminders, differences statistically significant after adjusting for income or insurance.

Source: 2006 Commonwealth Fund Health Care Quality Survey (Beal et al., "Closing the Divide: How Medical Homes Promote Equity in Health Care," The Commonwealth Fund, June 2007).

Today's Speakers

- **Kaytura L. Felix, MD**
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- **David Stevens, MD**
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- **Tony Amofah, MD MBA**
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New International Survey: More Than Half of Chronically Ill U.S. Adults Skip Needed Care Due to Costs

November 13, 2008 - A new Commonwealth Fund survey of chronically ill patients in eight industrialized nations—Australia, Canada, France, Germany, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States—finds that those in the U.S. are by far the most likely to forgo care because of the cost, as well as the most likely to experience medical errors, care coordination problems, and high out-of-pocket costs.

Webinar: How Are Federally Qualified Health Centers Serving as Medical Homes?

November 26, 2008 - Please join us Thursday, December 4, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time, for a one-hour webinar that will look at how one segment of the safety net is working to promote medical home practices in primary care.

The Time Has Come for Comprehensive Health Reform: Statement from The Commonwealth Fund Commission on a High Performance Health System

November 21, 2008 - With a large majority of Americans seeking profound change, the moment has come for the United States to take the necessary steps to ensure the health security of all Americans and put the nation's health care system on a path to high performance, said the Commonwealth Fund Commission on a High Performance Health System in a statement released November 21.

DC Policy Updates

Washington Health Policy Week in Review

Reactions to choice of Sen. Daschle to head HHS; Sen. Baucus insists health care reform must be part of economic recovery package; and more.

Commission on a High Performance Health System

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Newsletter Spotlight

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A look at the Indian Health Service's use of clinical data and community partnerships to improve care.

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November 12, 2008 - Senator Max Baucus

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