## **Developing a Care Plan**

## **Primary Care—Health Home**

## Evaluate the following:

- 1. Principal Diagnoses
- 2. Problem Areas
- 3. Recommendations for Prevention & Goals (think of goals as measurable and achievable!)
- 4. Hospital Admissions
- 5. ER Visits
- 6. No Shows
- 7. Outside Services
- 8. Potential Problems
- 9. Upcoming Appointments

## **Tips for Success**

- Be an active part of the patient's care team.
- Documentation and communication are essential.
- Think about the patient as a whole—look at all factors that may be affecting the patient's health and well-being.
- Care Plans are a great tool in effectively and efficiently managing the patient's health care.
- Integration into the EMR is ideal—BC is working on this as we got a new EMR system in July.

<sup>\*</sup>Treatment plan is always included in physician's assessment note.

<sup>\*</sup>All communication with patient is documented in the patient's chart.

<sup>\*</sup>Care plan is managed and used by care coordinators. Typically separate from the chart encounters with physicians.