



Parag Agnihotri, MD, was the co-founder of the Right Care Initiative Capitol Region University of Best Practices when he was medical director of Mercy Medical Group. He remains an active Innovation Advisor in our initial University of Best Practices in San Diego, now known as Be There. In his current role, he is Chief Medical Officer, Population Health Services of The University of California San Diego Health organization. Dr. Agnihotri provides executive leadership and guidance in developing the clinical components of UCSD's population health strategy across UCSD's clinically integrated network (CIN) and Medicare Shared Savings Plan ACO. Dr. Agnihotri focuses on transforming clinical delivery networks to adapt and thrive under new payment models such as global risk, capitated or accountable care models. A few of Dr. Agnihotri priorities include assessing managed care infrastructure, bringing on population health analytics for UCSD's MSSP ACO and global risk contracts, and educating and training the faculty regarding how to adapt clinical practices under a global capitation environment, and in payer strategies. He also coordinates activities across UC Health as the five UC Health campuses work together to build scalable population health tools. Dr. Agnihotri is a faculty member in the division of geriatrics, and his clinical work focuses on clinical care oversight of our skilled nursing facility partners and outpatient care in the geriatrics clinic. Prior to joining UC San Diego Health, Dr. Agnihotri served as the Medical Director of Population Health and Post-Acute Care for Sharp Rees-Stealy as well as the Chief Medical Officer for the Sharp Healthcare ACO. As a practicing geriatrician, he has published several articles on the management and outcomes of high-risk populations and is recognized as a national leader in the development of high-performing health systems, technology use, and population health management. Under his leadership, Sharp Rees-Stealy was been recognized as a "Top Performer" on HEDIS quality measures, designated "Elite Status" by the California Association of Physician Groups (CAPG), received high performance on the CAHPS survey, and was designated as a high performer from the Integrated Healthcare Association on the Medicare Stars Program. Before his time at Sharp, Dr. Agnihotri was the Medical Director of Care Management at Dignity Health's Mercy Medical Group in Sacramento, where he achieved many of the same outcomes and dramatically improved the group's HCC scores for the Medicare Risk Adjustment Factor (RAF). Dr. Agnihotri completed his residency at the University of Illinois in Chicago and served as chief resident for the Department of Medicine before becoming the Division Director of Geriatrics at Michael Reese Hospital.