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Dependent data structures in US policy & delivery innovations

- Health insurance exchanges → new markets
- Managing care transitions → coordinated care
- ACOs & PCMHs → incentives for efficiency, quality
- Population health improvement → communitylevel collective actions

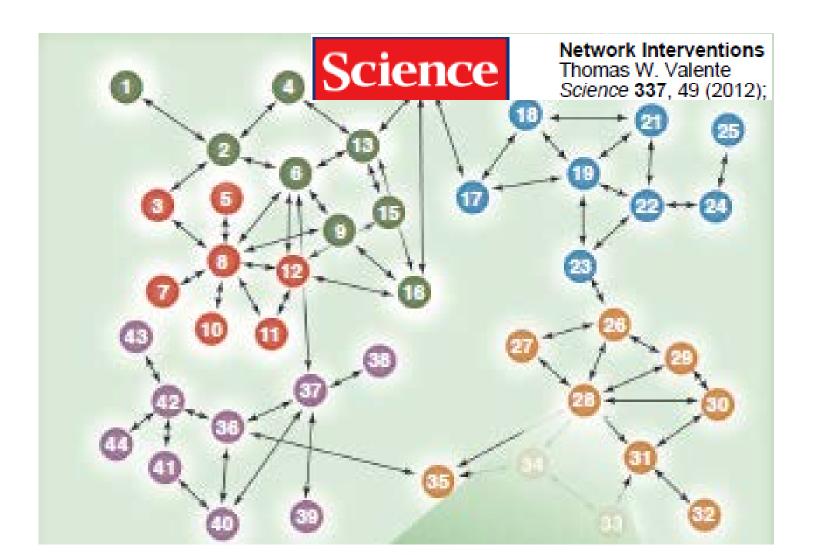
Networks and HSR



- Networks as the institutional and/or community context for policy implementation
- Networks as interventions (*mechanisms*)
- Networks as outcomes

Network-based interventions

Targeting and tailoring challenges



Dealing with complexity

- Multiple services
- Multiple providers
- Patient heterogeneity
- Heterogeneity in community/market context

Applying network analytic methods in HSR

- Design
- Sampling
- Measurement
- Analysis
- Translation/dissemination

Within network

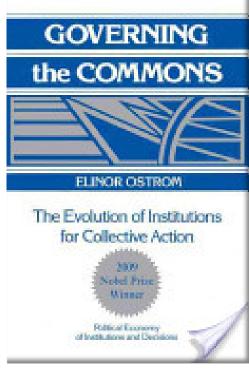
Using networks for population health improvement strategies

- Designed to achieve large-scale health improvement: neighborhood, city/county, region
- Target fundamental and often multiple determinants of health
- Mobilize the collective actions of multiple stakeholders in government & private sector
 - Usual and unusual suspects
 - Infrastructure requirements

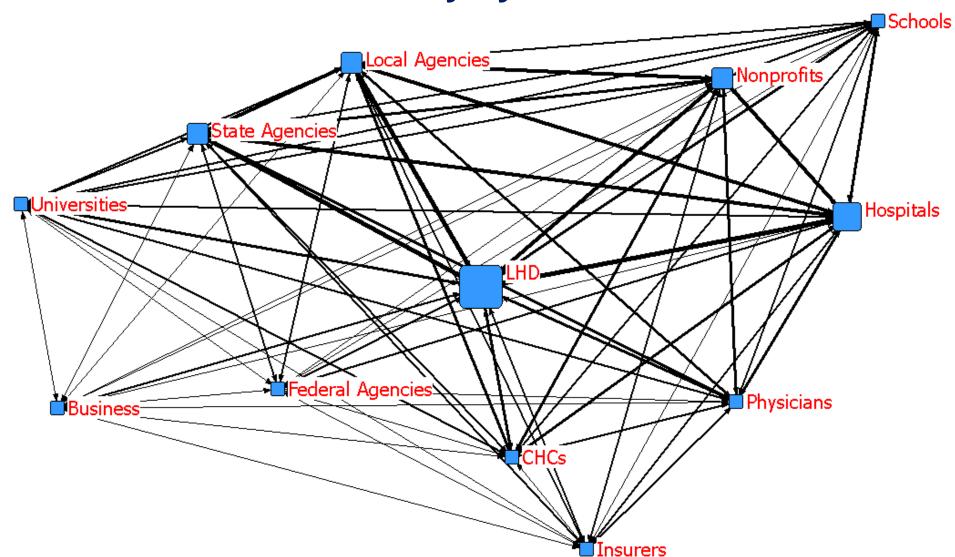
Mays GP. Governmental public health and the economics of adaptation to population health strategies. IOM Population Health Roundtable Discussion Paper. February 2014.

Using networks to overcome collective action problems

- Incentive compatibility → public goods
- Concentrated costs & diffuse benefits
- Time lags: costs vs. improvements
- Uncertainties about what works
- Asymmetry in information
- Difficulties measuring progress
- Weak and variable institutions & infrastructure
- Imbalance: resources vs. needs
- Stability & sustainability of funding

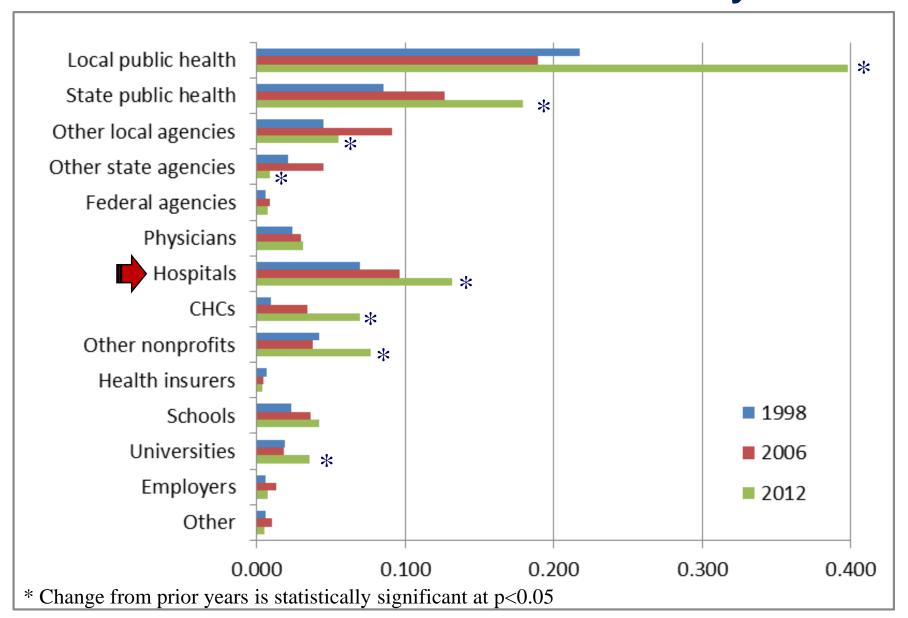


Inter-organizational relationships in public health delivery systems



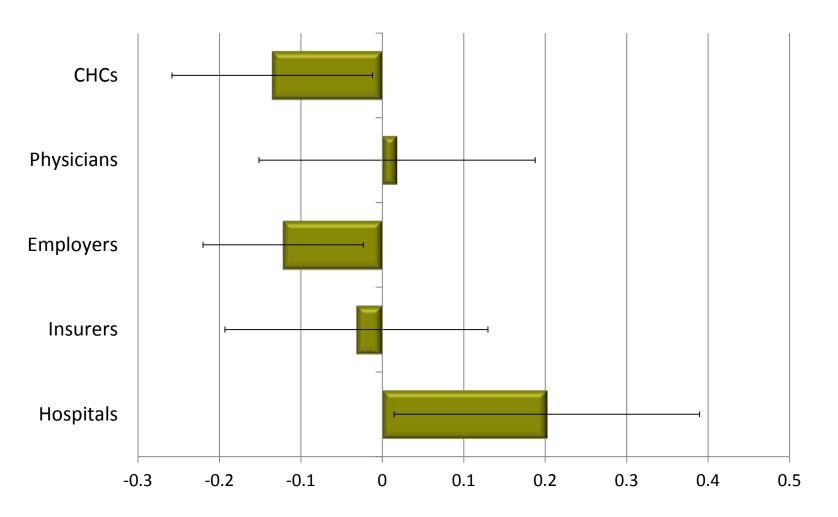
National Longitudinal Survey of Public Health Systems, 2012

Bridging capital in public health delivery systems Trends in betweenness centrality



Do other organizations complement or substitute for local public health agency effort?

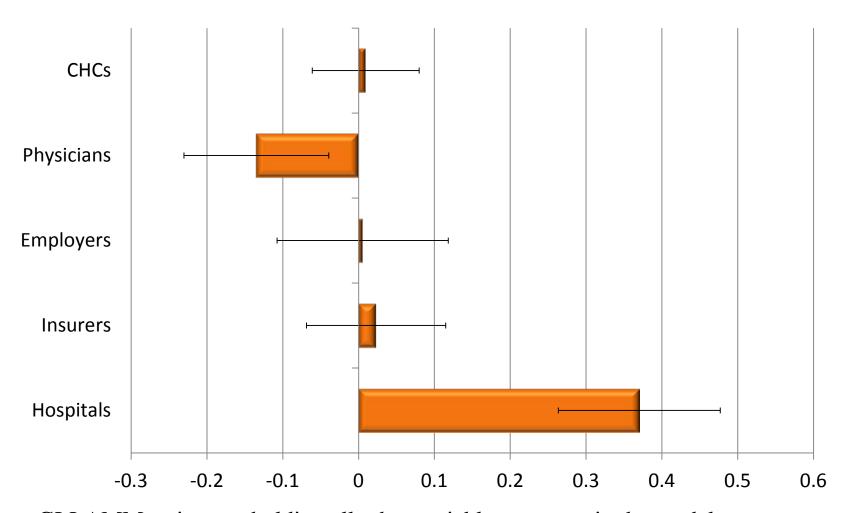
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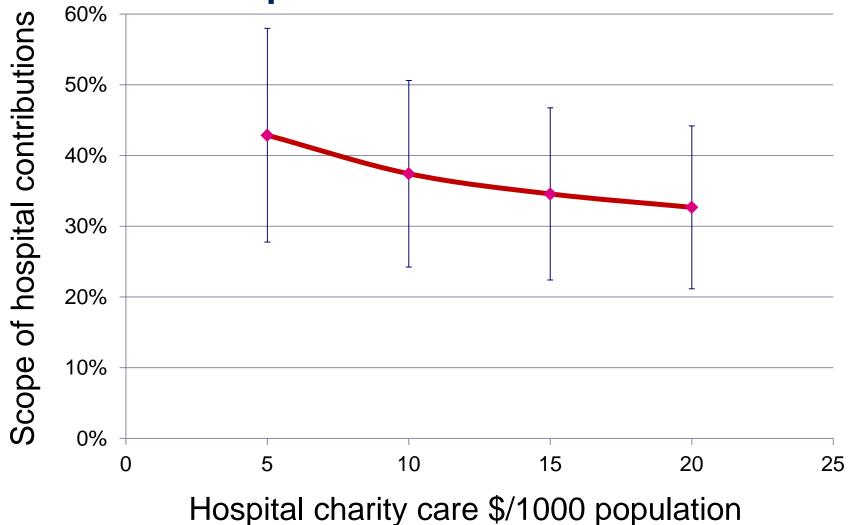
How do other organizations affect the total supply of public health activities?

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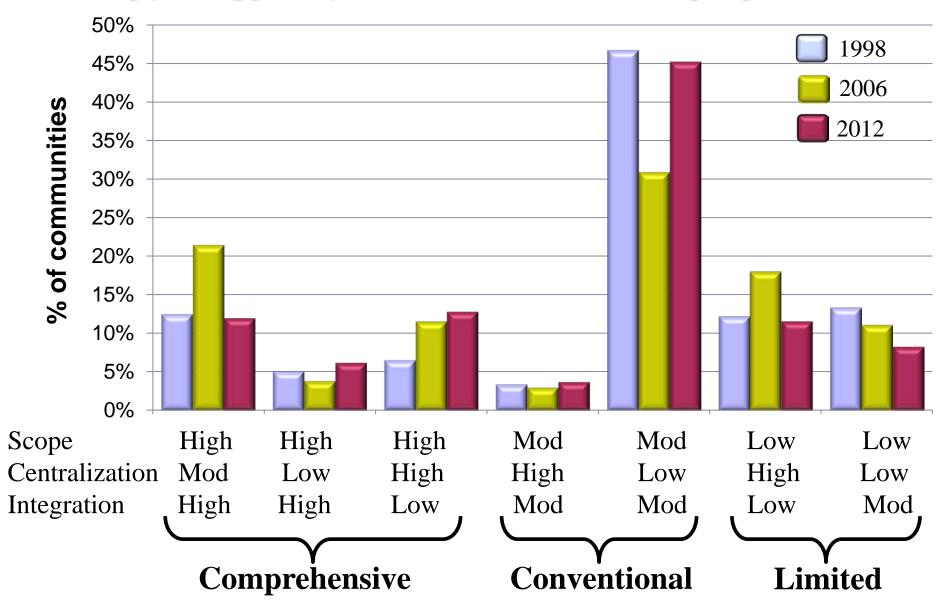
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Estimated crowd-out in hospital contributions to public health activities



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A typology of public health delivery systems



Source: Mays et al. 2010; 2012

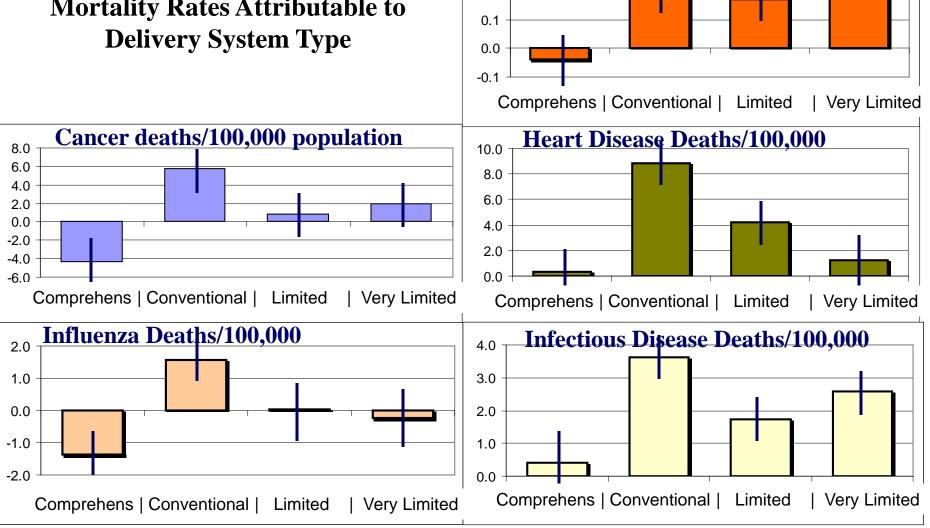
Population health and delivery system change

0.3

0.2

Infant Deaths/1000 Births

Percent Changes in Preventable Mortality Rates Attributable to Delivery System Type



Fixed-effects models control for population size, density, age composition, poverty status, racial composition, and physician supply

Networks and Research Translation

Local Health Departments Engaged in Research Implementation & Translation Activities During Past 12 months

	PBRN Agencie	s National Sample	
<u>Activity</u>	Percent/Mean	Percent/Mean	
Identifying research topics	94.1%	27.5%	***
Planning/designing studies	81.6%	15.8%	***
Recruitment, data collection & analysis	79.6%	50.3%	**
Disseminating study results	84.5%	36.6%	**
Applying findings in own organization	87.4%	32.1%	**
Helping others apply findings	76.5%	18.0%	***
Research implementation composite	84.04 (27.	38) 30.20 (31.38)	**
N	209	505	

Mays et al. American Journal of Preventive Medicine 2013.

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