Supplemental Digital Content Table 2. Brainwriting Premortem Thematic Analysis

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| Themes | Subthemes  (Frequency) | Examples of High Quality Ideas | Actions to Address Barriers |
| TNP issues | Role definition (13)  Eligibility information (8)  Volume/demand (5) | *Will the TN be notified automatically of a Veteran's admission? If not, then by whom?*  *How will concerns identified post-discharge be communicated with inpatient provider especially given changes in team members (attending/resident) every 2-4 weeks*  *How to identify Veterans who fit the need (qualify)*  *Large number of Veterans to manage for a single TN* | *None provided*  *None provided*  *Hire more TNs* |
| Veteran-centric challenges | Engagement/ adherence (13)  Transportation (8) | *Veteran has disabilities that challenge phone calls or reading discharge instructions*  *Homeless*  *Veterans lack of participation in an active role in maintaining their health care (won't show up for appointment/Veteran/family reluctant to participate)*  *Veteran does not have transportation* | *Educate to the Veteran level*  *Counsel Veteran on importance to follow-up with primary care provider* |
| Veteran communication challenges | Documentation/ communication (17) | *Poor communication CPRS/copy, paste in charts, missing information for follow-up*  *Education occurs on discharge*  *No phone/voicemail/answer phone/disconnected/incorrect number* | *Start discharge education on admission*  *Prior to discharge, update address and phone number* |
| Primary care clinic context | Full schedules (10)  Rurality (3)  Relationships (2) | *No appointment spots (at primary care)*  *Lack of specialty services in rural communities*  *Lack of working relationship with primary care teams* | *Hire more, open more slots, effective scheduling*  *Visit primary care sites* |
| VHA context | CHOICE Act (1) | *Hospital readmission to another (non-VA) facility* |  |

Key: TNP = Transition Nurse Program; TN = Transition Nurse, CPRS = Computerized Patient Record System; VA = Veterans Health Administration