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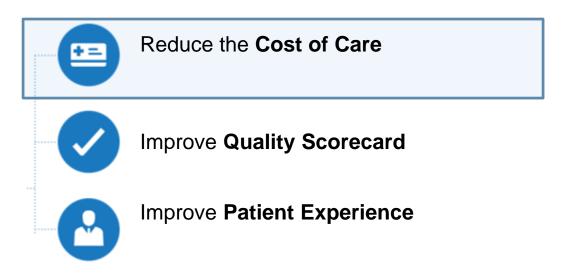
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PCSC Addresses the Triple Aim to Deliver Value – A Focus on Specialty Care

Population Health Experience of Care Per Capita Cost

Outcomes that Demonstrate Value



Source: http://www.ihi.org/engage/initiatives/TripleAim/Pages/default.aspx



What does Cost of Care mean to stakeholders in the healthcare system?

Provider

- Ability to earn fee for service enhancement
- Reduce waste and enable an optimal and equitable distribution of scarce resources while reducing harm from unnecessary tests and procedures and sustaining/improving quality care to patients.
- Respect and respond to Patient Cost burdens

Patient

Co-Pays; Co-Insurance, High Deductible Plans are an increasing burden on Patients' budgets

Employer

- Bend the Trend on Premium
- Reduce employee out of pocket spend

Anthem

- Bend the Trend on Premium/Patient Cost Share
- Meet Program Cost Targets while maintaining quality care to Members
- Increase Membership



Overuse of Health Care Services is Harmful – Financially and Clinically

Virtually every family in the country, the research indicates, has been subject to over testing and overtreatment in one form or another. The costs appear to take thousands of dollars out of the paychecks of every household each year. Researchers have come to refer to financial as well as physical "toxicities" of inappropriate care—including reduced spending on food, clothing, education, and shelter. Millions of people are receiving drugs that aren't helping them, operations that aren't going to make them better, and scans and tests that do nothing beneficial for them, and often cause harm.

Atul Gawande, MD, MPH





Providers can be Heroes by Saving Members Out-of-Pocket Costs

- Reducing costs of care (using preferred labs, using high quality most cost effective radiology centers, using in network providers and specialists, selecting generic drugs, reducing unnecessary services) can save working families hundreds
- This drives member satisfaction and retention for the practice
- This significantly increases adherence with treatment plans and improves patient health- driving a virtuous cycle

Working together, we can help you be a hero.



Two Ways for Providers to Reduce Cost of Care

To reduce costs, providers must either reduce the number of services (duplication/overuse) or cost per service.

Number of Services



Cost for Each Service



Total Cost of Care

Examples

- Hospital admits / days, ER visits
- Prescriptions
- Lab tests

Referral decisions

Site of care

How to

- Reduction in duplicate / over use
- Preventive care
- Care coordination

- Refer to lower cost vendors
- Generic drug substitution
- Urgent care vs. ER visits



Cost of Care Opportunities

Finding the Most Cost Effective Site of Service

- Lab Services
- Infusion Services
- Ambulatory Surgery
- High Cost Imaging
- Urgent Care vs. ER for non-urgent services

Reducing overuse/duplication of services

- Care Compacts to coordinate care
- Avoiding duplication / overuse of tests and procedures

Generic Drugs vs. Brand Equivalent

 Switching to Generic Equivalent when clinically appropriate and there is no contradiction to the patient



By the Numbers – The Power of Redirection

Compare costs and quality of care.

The costs of medical procedures can vary widely from one place to another, even if they're all in the same area. Here are some examples to give you an idea:

Procedure ¹	Higher-cost facility		Lower-cost facility		Souingo?
	Procedure cost	You pay 20%²	Procedure cost	You pay 20%	Savings ²
Breast: mammography (digital)	\$192	\$38.40	\$86	\$17.20	\$21.20 ³
Colonoscopy screening	\$2,439	\$487.80	\$784	\$156.80	\$331.00
Leg: MRI, lower limb with joint	\$1,914	\$382.80	\$315	\$63.00	\$319.80

- Patients incur lower out of pocket costs when services are rendered at a free-standing ASC or imaging unit
- Referral to an ASC with equivalent quality can contribute to increased shared savings for physicians



Choosing Wisely

Choosing Wisely is an initiative of the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) Foundation

ABIM mission is "to advance core values of medical professionals to promote excellence in health care"

Choosing Wisely encourages providers and patients to work together to improve the quality and safety of healthcare in America by reducing duplication-waste.



How can Choosing Wisely be a resource?

Designed to help providers and patients engage in conversations aimed at reducing unnecessary or potentially harmful tests and procedures

Supporting patients in their efforts to make smart and effective care choices.

Focus on the 'Five Things' list developed by over 30 United States specialty societies representing more than 500,000 physicians.



Choosing Wisely "Things to Question"

Consumer Reports partnered with *Choosing Wisely* and many provider organizations to create specialty specific lists of "Things to Question".

There are provider and patient focused specialty specific lists.

Each list is developed to guide care decisions and provide specific, evidence-based recommendations.

The lists generate more conversation between the patient and provider about the need for testing and treatment.



By the Numbers – Lab

These examples are based on our average negotiated payment for in-network labs and average charges for out-of-network labs:

	In-Network Independent Lab	In-Network Hospital Lab	Out-of-Network Independent Lab
Basic Metabolic Panel	\$9	\$36	\$48
Lipid Panel	\$14	\$65	\$54
Pap Smear	\$15	\$51	\$52

- Patients incur lower out of pocket costs when services are rendered at a an In-Network Independent lab
- Referral to an In-Network Independent lab when possible and clinically appropriate can contribute to increased shared savings for physicians



By the Numbers – Switching to Generics

How does it work?

 Generics are often just one-fifth the cost of a brand name drug and cost your patients less than brand options. Overall, generic prescribing and utilization is high. However Anthem has identified select therapeutic classes where there may be additional opportunity to maximize generic utilization.

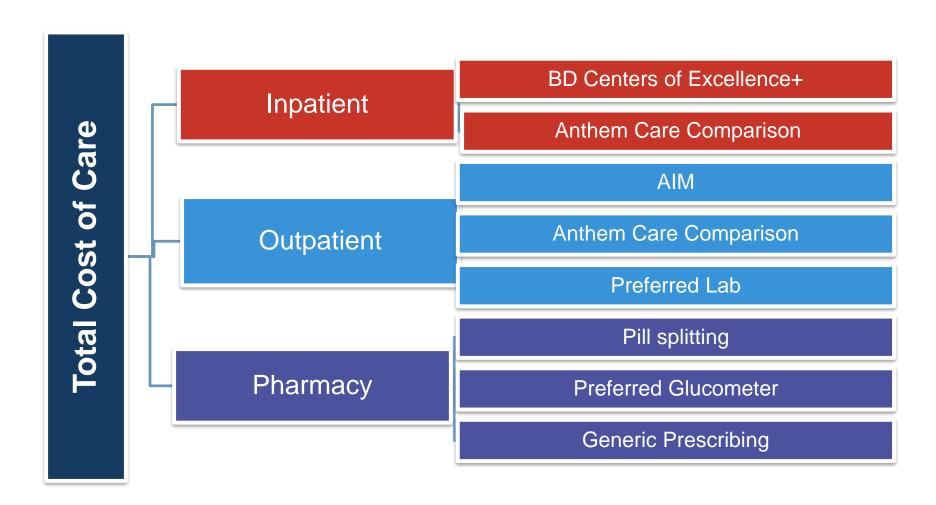
Who Saves?

 Generic medications are on Tier 1 of the formulary and have lower member out of pocket cost compared to brand products. Individual member savings varies based on benefit design.

Drug Class	Average Pharmacy Savings per Rx	Average Member Savings per Rx
Statins	\$108	\$66
ARB/ARB Combos	\$55	\$65
Beta Blockers	\$54	\$71



Cost of Care Tools Offer Concrete Advice on How to Reduce Costs While Maintaining Quality





By using the AIM Portal:









Anthem Care Compare

Anthem Care Comparison (ACC) is an innovative shopping tool that discloses real price ranges for common services at specified area hospitals.

Why Use ACC? **Drive Cost** Reduction, Improve Patient Satisfaction. Embrace Transparency Around Costs. Refer to Facilities that Deliver High-Quality Care.

Help your patients find high-quality, cost-effective care.

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Anthem's Preferred Glucometer Program

Anthem's preferred glucometers include OneTouch® and ACCU-CHEK® products.

- Test strips for these meters are on the preferred brand tier and cost less than the non-preferred alternatives.
- Patients can get select OneTouch_® and ACCU-CHEK_® meters for free.
- Preferred strips can help patients save \$50 per 30-day prescription on average compared to non-preferred strips for a potential \$600 annual savings.

ACCU-CHEK_®

- ACCU-CHEK Nano
- ACCU-CHEK Aviva Plus

OneTouch_®

- OneTouch Verio
- OneTouch Verio IQ
- OneTouch Verio Synch System
- OneTouch Ultra 2
- OneTouch UltraMini



Anthem's Half Tablet Program

Write prescriptions for qualified once daily medications with directions to take ½ tablet per day.

- Members with this benefit pay just half their usual copay on select medications prescribed with instructions to take half of a tablet.
- Patients with a coinsurance save by paying their coinsurance percentage on a fewer number of tablets.
- Patients paying towards a deductible will pay out of pocket on a fewer number of tablets.

Prescribing half tablets for qualified medications lowers overall pharmacy costs.

Average pharmacy savings per 30-day prescription of qualified statin medications is \$5 for generic and \$35 for name brand. This adds up to \$60-\$420 annually.

Example: Crestor_® 1 tablet 1x/day 20 mg Quantity = 30 Take ½ tablet Crestor® 1x/day 40 ma Quantity = 15



Getting Started –Reducing Total Patient Costs

Identify the opportunities in your practice

Assess short term and long term opportunities

Identify area of focus based upon opportunities

Create a SMART goal

Leverage Cost of Care Tools



Questions for Specialty Care

What is the current process for evaluating cost of care?

What are the short term and long term cost of care opportunities for my practice?

How do I best engage patients in cost of care discussions?

What data do I need to support cost of care initiatives?

Are there opportunities to support patients with reduced financial burden?

What resources do I need to support cost of care opportunities?

What potential financial impacts are there?



Build Your Quality Improvement Foundation

Set-up a Multidisciplinary Team

• Representation from each area of the office

Determine Area of Focus

What do you want to work on?

Global AIM Statement

State what you intend to improve

Process Mapping

Map out current state or ideal state

Model for Improvement

• Specific AIM, SMART goals, measure, ideas

PDSA

(Plan-Do-Study-Act)

Performs small test of change



Practice Name:	Practice Champion:	

What is Your Plan?

What are we trying to accomplish?

How will we know that a change is an improvement?

What change can we make that will result in improvement?

What will you do prior to our next session?



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