



**Track 1:**  
*Treatment  
Recommendations  
and Practice  
Guidelines Update*



# Hemophilia Care Coordination and Current Treatment Options:

## The Latest Insights for Managed Care and Specialty Pharmacy

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# Agenda

- *Clinical Strategies for Prophylaxis and Inhibitor Management*
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- *Alignment of Therapies within the Current Treatment Algorithm*
  - *James Kenney, Jr., RPh, MBA*  
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- Faculty Idea Exchange / Managed Care Case Studies
- Audience Question and Answer Session, Key Takeaways, and Closing Comments

# Educational Objectives



- Describe current and evolving strategies used by managed care organizations (MCOs) and specialty pharmacy providers to facilitate high-quality care for members with hemophilia
- Cite the most recent clinical recommendations for the treatment of patients with hemophilia, including prophylactic factor replacement and the role of emerging agents
- Explain hemophilia-related complications associated with inhibitor development and its significant clinical and economic consequences
- Identify processes for MCOs and specialty pharmacy providers to improve communications with hemophilia treatment centers (HTCs)
- Apply methods to enable optimal cost management of factor replacement therapy to be realized by multiple hemophilia stakeholders including MCOs and specialty pharmacy providers



# *Clinical Strategies for Prophylaxis and Inhibitor Management*

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# Disease Overview



- Hemophilia is a congenital bleeding disorder affecting all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups
- There are ~20,000 persons with hemophilia (PWH) in the US and ~500,000 PWH worldwide





# Clinical Features of Hemophilia



Severity of bleeding tendency depends on the factor level

## Mild (>5% )

- Bleed only after severe injury, trauma, or surgery
- May not be diagnosed until adulthood

## Moderate (1%-5%)

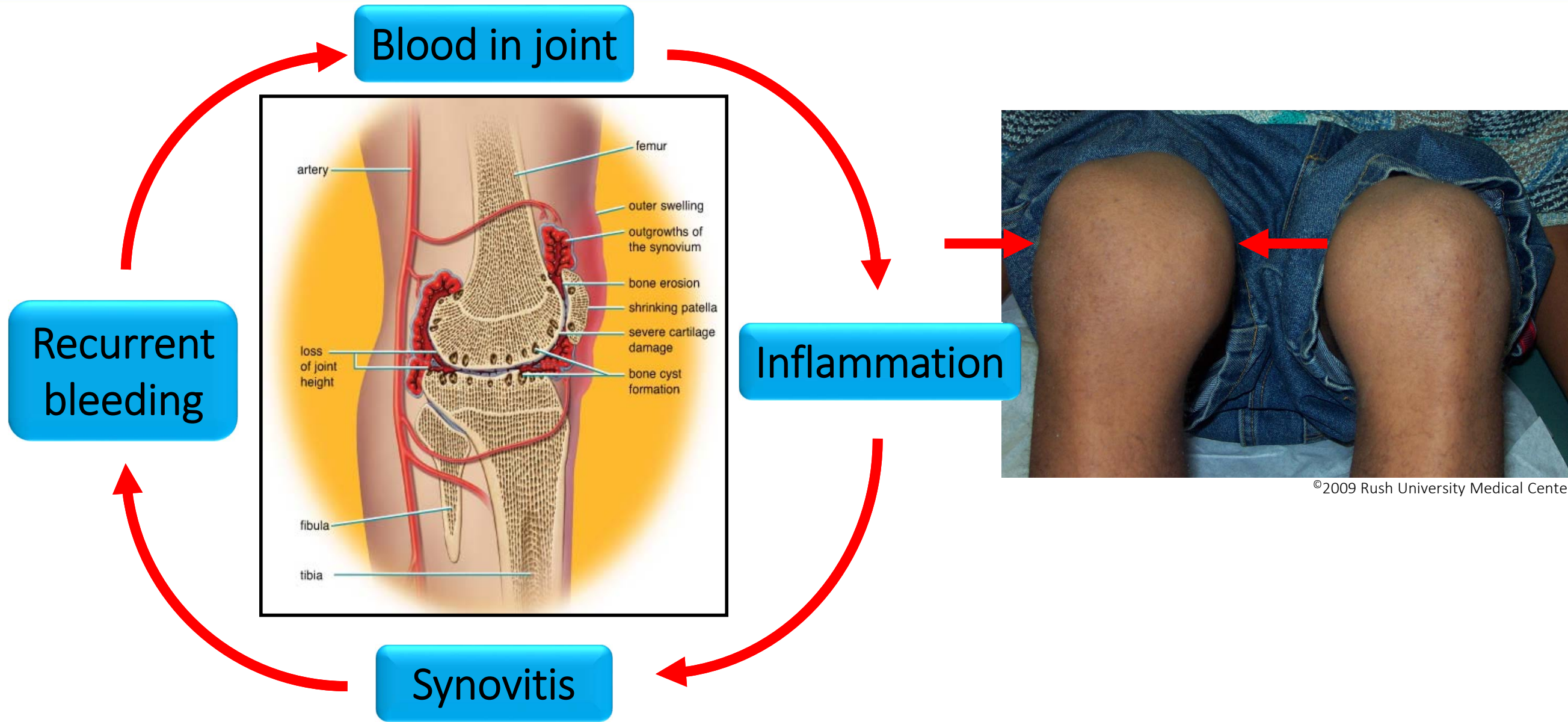
- Bleed after injury, surgery
- May have occasional spontaneous bleeding

## Severe (<1 %)

- Frequent spontaneous bleeding
- Diagnosis made in early childhood

# Clinical Features of Hemophilia

## *Joint Bleeds (Hemarthrosis)*

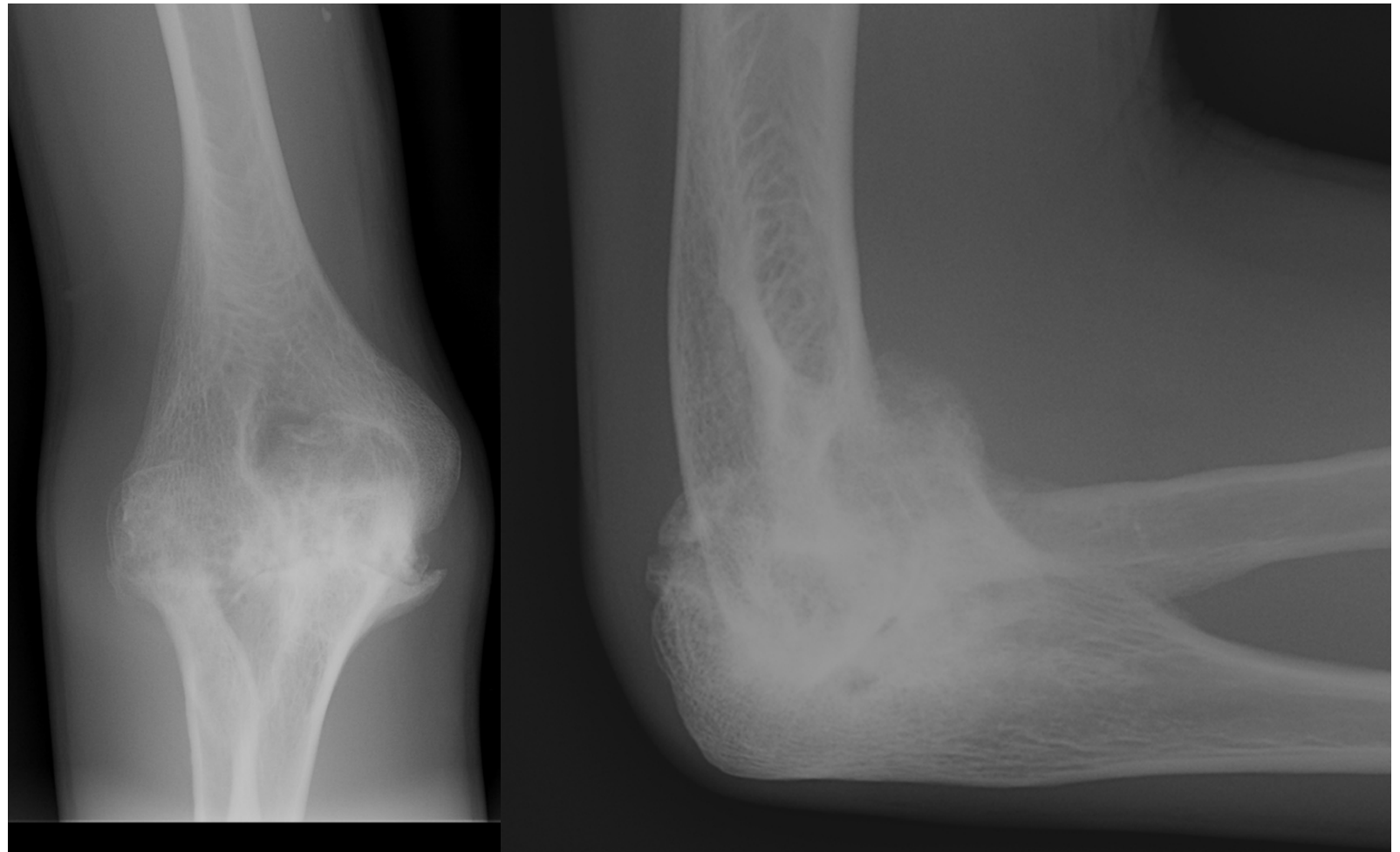


# Clinical Features of Hemophilia

## *Joint Bleeds (Hemarthrosis)*



- 36-year-old, severe hemophilia A, followed by HTC since birth
- Target joint in childhood, no longer bleeds (or moves)



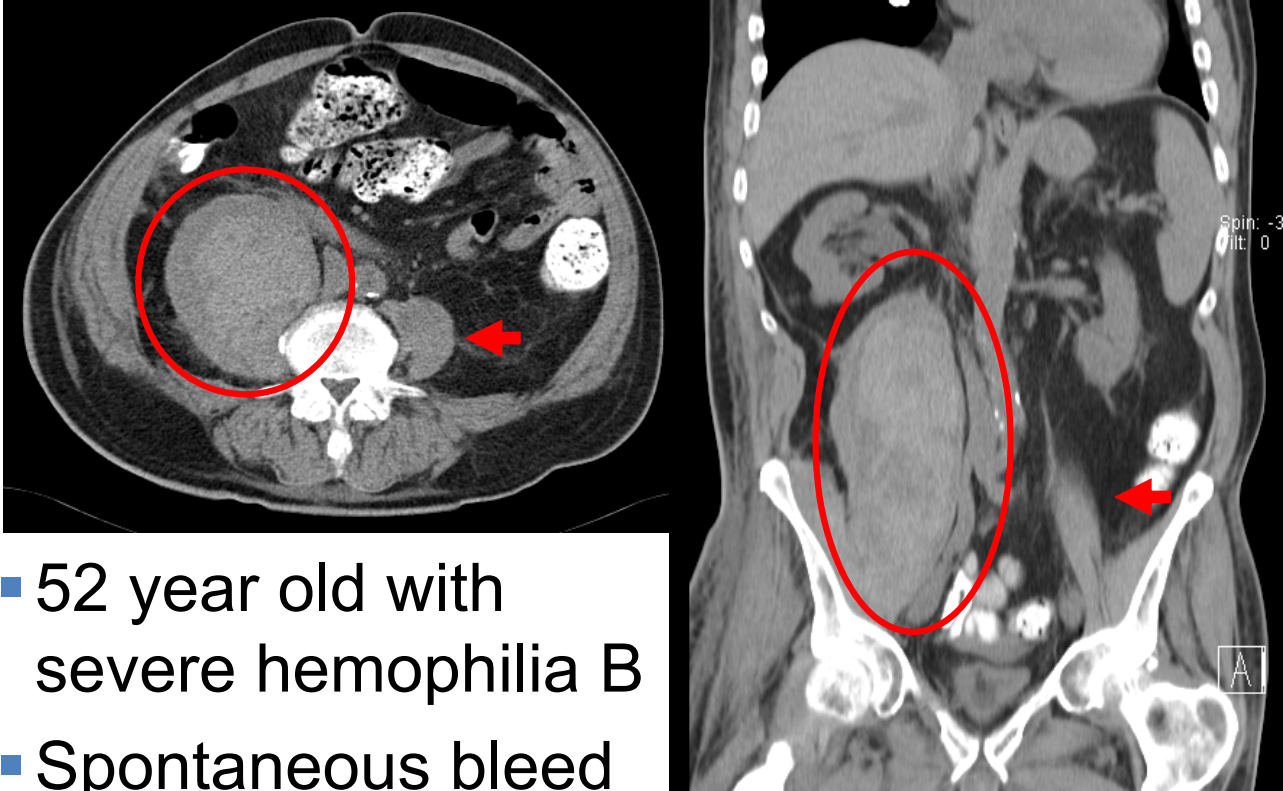


# Clinical Features of Hemophilia

## *Deep Muscle and Intracranial Bleeds*



### *Deep Muscle Bleeds*



- 52 year old with severe hemophilia B
- Spontaneous bleed

### *Intracranial Bleeds*



# Inhibitors in Congenital Hemophilia

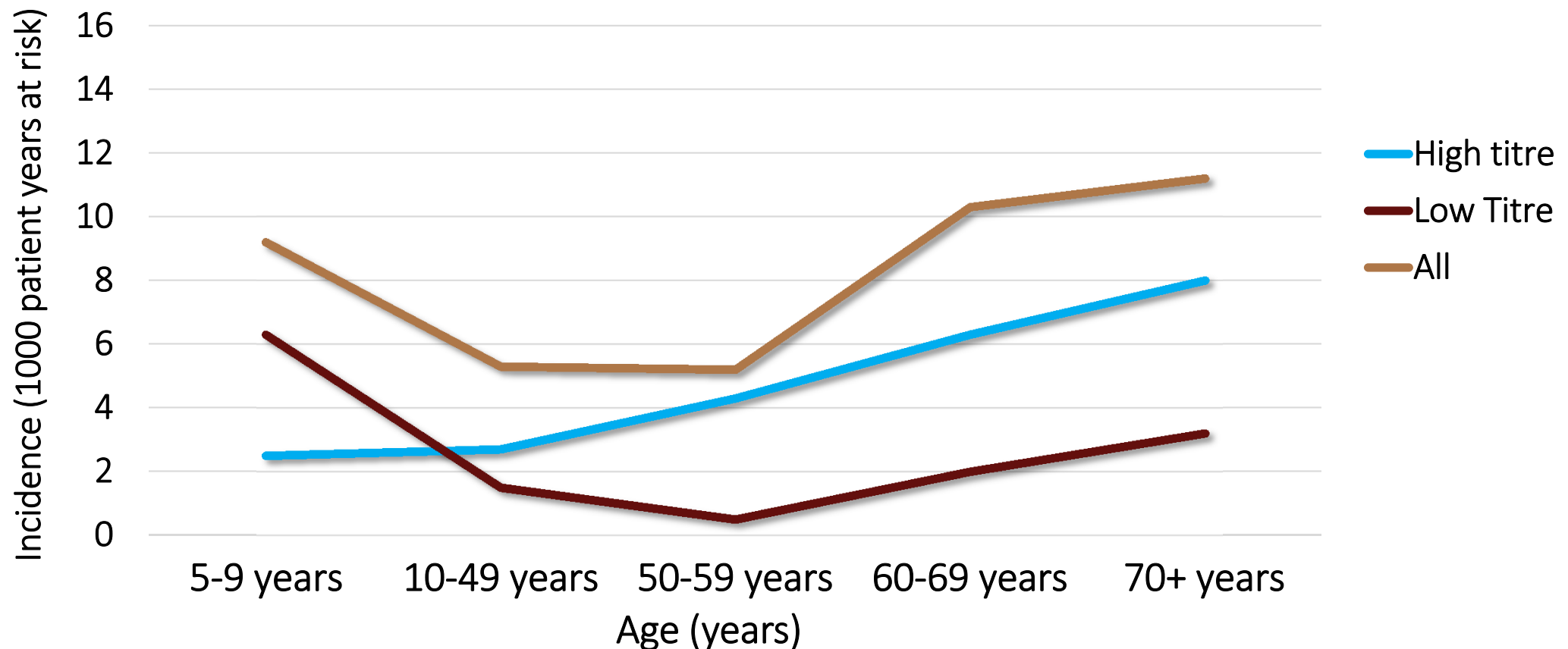


- Some hemophilia patients identify factor VIII or factor IX as a foreign protein
- Infusion of factor concentrate to prevent or treat bleeding triggers an immune response
- Antibodies (ie, inhibitors) directed against factor VIII or factor IX neutralize the procoagulant effect and render standard treatment ineffective
- Development of inhibitors is currently the most serious complication of factor replacement therapy
- Typically seen in those with severe hemophilia (hemophilia A ~30%, hemophilia B <5%)
- May occur in those with mild or moderate hemophilia, usually after intense factor exposure related to trauma or surgery
  - Bleeding more difficult to control
  - Devastating joint disease and disability
  - Major clinical and economic challenges

# Factor VIII Inhibitors



- Previously thought that almost all inhibitors in those with severe hemophilia A developed after only a few exposures, early in life
- Now thought that inhibitors arise throughout life, with a bimodal risk



# Clinical Features of Hemophilia *(with Inhibitor)*



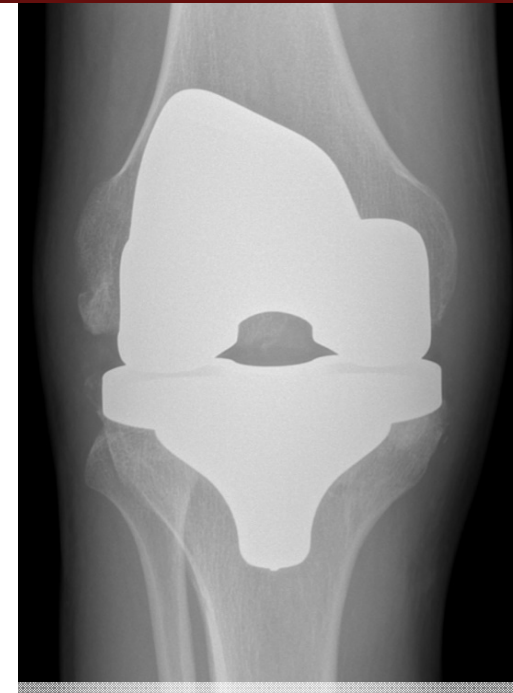
22-year-old male with severe hemophilia A and FVIII inhibitor  
Rapid progression of arthropathy



March 2008



May 2010



June 2010



# Inhibitors in Congenital Hemophilia

## *Unique Treatment Challenges*



- Standard factor replacement therapy not possible
- rFVIIa and aPCC only have 75%-90% efficacy in stopping acute bleeds
- High degree of variability in response between patients and bleeding episodes
- Prophylaxis (only approved for aPCC): less well established, less effective, high burden due to frequent large infusion volume
- No established routine method of lab monitoring
- Potential risk of thrombosis
- Immune tolerance therapy
  - Goal is to eradicate inhibitor
  - Hemophilia A: ~70% successful
  - Hemophilia B: ~30% successful



# Treatment of Hemophilia

## *Factor Replacement Therapy*

- Plasma derived concentrates – 1960s
- HIV / AIDS era – 1980s
- Recombinant factor products – 1990s

1<sup>st</sup> generation

2<sup>nd</sup> generation

3<sup>rd</sup> generation

4<sup>th</sup> generation

*Removal of human / animal proteins*

*Smaller infusion volume*

*Potentially less immunogenic*

# Factor Replacement Therapy



## On-Demand

- Treatment of bleeds when they occur
- Good at stopping bleeds after they start, but does not prevent bleeds

## Prophylaxis

- Regular administration of factor to prevent bleeds from occurring
- Goal is elimination of all bleeds
- Pioneered in Sweden (1958); standard of care since 1990s

# Factor Replacement Therapy

## *Prophylactic Treatment*

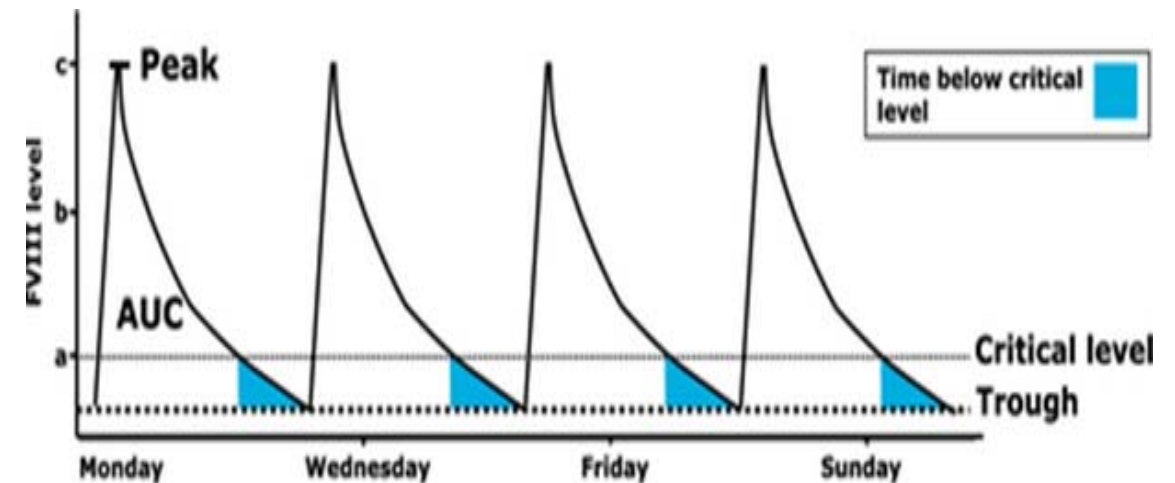


### **Benefits**

- ✓ Proven to decrease bleeds and prevent joint damage
- ✓ Improves functional status and QoL
- ✓ May delay progression of arthropathy
- ✓ Protection from traumatic and unexpected bleeds

### **Challenges**

- ✗ Requires frequent intravenous infusions
- ✗ Venous access
- ✗ Peaks / troughs
- ✗ Maintaining adherence long-term





# Prophylaxis to Prevent Bleeding



- *Aim: Prevention of arthropathy and improvement in quality of life*

Severe Patients  
( $<1\%$  factor activity)

- Average 30-35 bleeds/year and will inevitably develop chronic arthropathy unless treated with effective prophylactic factor replacement therapy

Mild & Moderate  
Patients

- Less likely to develop chronic arthropathy

# Hemophilia Treatment Landscape: Present and Future



	Factor Replacement Products		Non-Factor Replacement Products				
	Standard Half-Life Products	Extended Half-Life Products	Emicizumab	Fitusiran	Concizumab	BAY 1093884	PF-06741086
<b>MOA</b>	Replacement of FVIII / FIX		FVIII mimetic	Reduce AT	Anti-TFPI		
<b>Indications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hemophilia A or B</li> <li>• Without inhibitors</li> <li>• On-demand and prophylaxis</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hemophilia A</li> <li>• With and without inhibitors</li> <li>• Prophylaxis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hemophilia A or B</li> <li>• With and without inhibitors</li> <li>• Prophylaxis</li> </ul>			
<b>Dosing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intravenous</li> <li>• 2x/week</li> <li>• 3x/week</li> <li>• Q.O.D.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intravenous</li> <li>• 2x/week</li> <li>• Q 3-5 d</li> <li>• Q 7-14 d</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subcutaneous</li> <li>• Every 1 to 4 weeks</li> </ul>				
<b>Safety Concerns</b>	Inhibitors		Thrombosis TMA	Thrombosis	?????		

# Hemophilia A Treatment Landscape



2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 – 2023
pdFVIII	pdFVIII	pdFVIII	pdFVIII	pdFVIII	pdFVIII	pdFVIII
Recombinate	Recombinate	Recombinate	Recombinate	Recombinate	Recombinate	Recombinate
Kogenate	Kogenate	Kogenate	Kogenate	Kogenate	Kogenate	Kogenate
Helixate	Helixate	Helixate	Helixate	Helixate	Helixate	Helixate
Advate	Advate	Advate	Advate	Advate	Advate	Advate
Xyntha	Xyntha	Xyntha	Xyntha	Xyntha	Xyntha	Xyntha
Novoeight	Novoeight	Novoeight	Novoeight	Novoeight	Novoeight	Novoeight
Eloctate	Eloctate	Eloctate	Eloctate	Eloctate	Eloctate	Eloctate
	Adynovate	Adynovate	Adynovate	Adynovate	Adynovate	Adynovate
	Nuwiq	Nuwiq	Nuwiq	Nuwiq	Nuwiq	Nuwiq
		Kovaltry	Kovaltry	Kovaltry	Kovaltry	Kovaltry
		Afstyla	Afstyla	Afstyla	Afstyla	Afstyla
			Emicizumab	Emicizumab	Emicizumab	Emicizumab
				BAY 94-9027	BAY 94-9027	BAY 94-9027
					N8-GP	N8-GP
						Fitusiran
						Concizumab
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## Notes:

- Individual plasma derived products not listed
- Some products may become unavailable (e.g. Helixate)
- Based on anticipated approval dates

# Hemophilia B Treatment Landscape



2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 – 2023
pdFIX	pdFIX	pdFIX	pdFIX	pdFIX	pdFIX	pdFIX
Benefix	Benefix	Benefix	Benefix	Benefix	Benefix	Benefix
Rixubis	Rixubis	Rixubis	Rixubis	Rixubis	Rixubis	Rixubis
Alprolix	Alprolix	Alprolix	Alprolix	Alprolix	Alprolix	Alprolix
	Ixinity	Ixinity	Ixinity	Ixinity	Ixinity	Ixinity
		Idelvion	Idelvion	Idelvion	Idelvion	Idelvion
			Rebinyn	Rebinyn	Rebinyn	Rebinyn
						Fitusiran
						Concizumab
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# Treatment of Hemophilia



## *Major Unmet Needs*

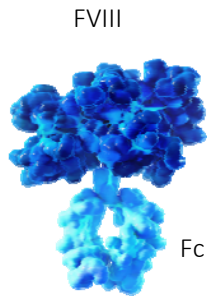
- Innovative therapies for non-inhibitor patients
- Reducing the burden of prophylaxis
- Maintaining adherence over decades
- Inhibitor patients
  - Effective prophylaxis
  - More consistent bleed management

## Addressing Unmet Needs in Hemophilia

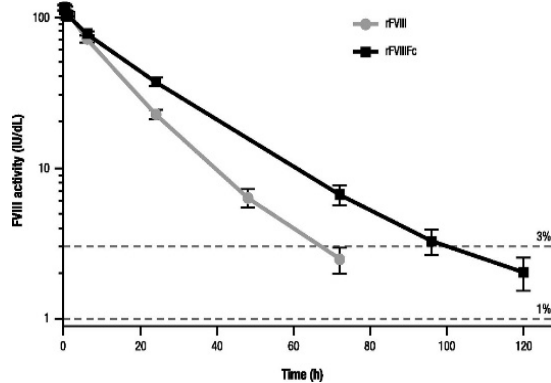
### *Steps toward optimizing outcomes*

1. Extended half-life (EHL) factor products
2. Personalized prophylaxis
3. Emerging therapies

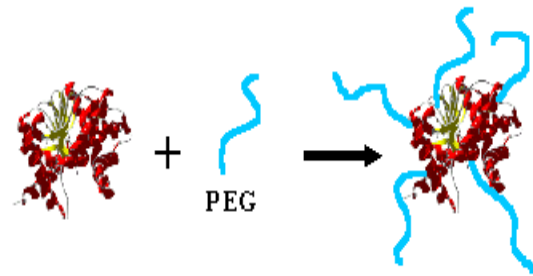
# Extended half-life (EHL) Factor Products



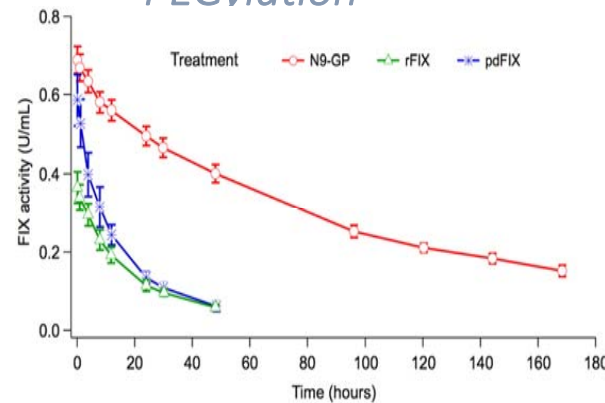
*Fc fusion*



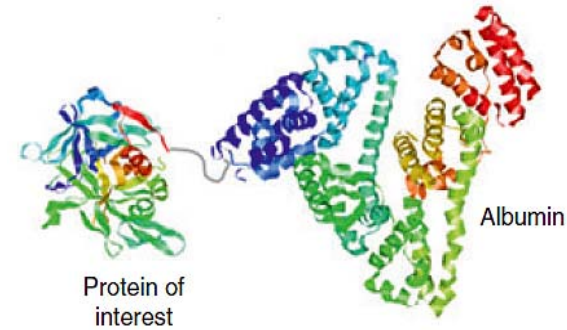
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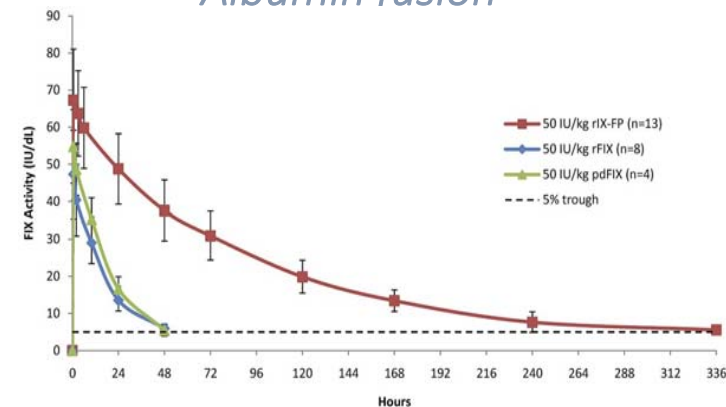
*PEGylation*



Negrier et al. Blood 2011;118:2695-2701



*Albumin fusion*



Santagostino et al. Blood 2012;120:2405-2411

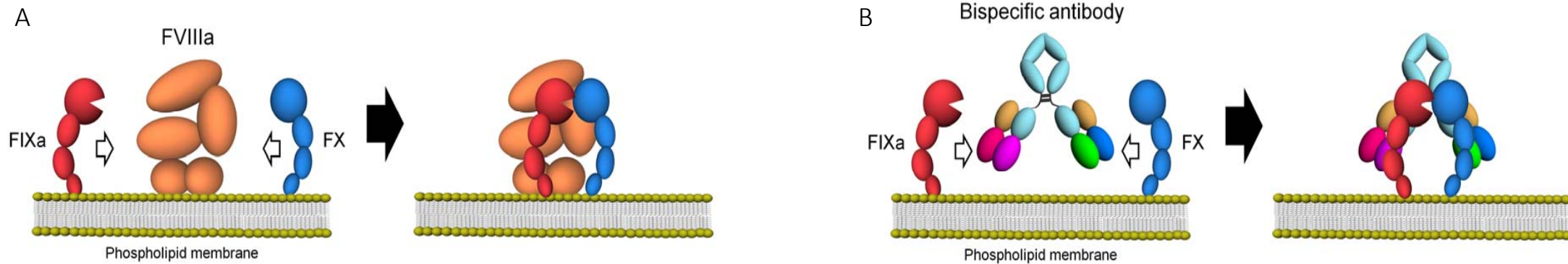
## Half-life prolongation

**Factor VIII:** moderate; dosing every 2-3 days → every 3-7 days

**Factor IX:** dramatic; dosing 1-2 x per week → once every 1-2 weeks

# Emerging Therapies

## *Emicizumab-kxwh*

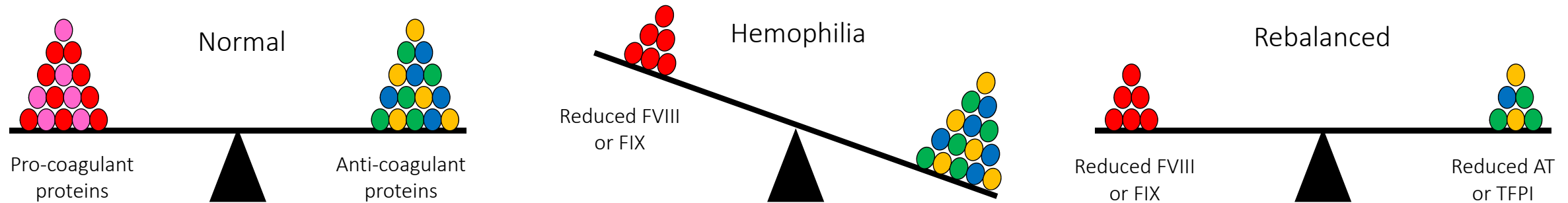


Kitazawa et al., Nat Med 2012

- Approved in November 2017 based on data from two clinical trials: an adult and adolescent trial (HAVEN 1) and a pediatric trial (HAVEN 2)
- Recommended dose of 3 mg/kg by subcutaneous injection once weekly for the first 4 weeks, followed by 1.5 mg/kg once weekly
- Impressive reduction in bleeding seen in inhibitor patients on prophylaxis
- For prophylaxis, not acute bleed management

# Emerging Therapies

## *Fitusiran and TFPI inhibitors*



### ***What we know so far...***

- 3 TFPI inhibitors in development; fitusiran farther along
- Studied in hemophilia A and B, with and without inhibitors
- Subcutaneous dosing at 1 to 4 week intervals
- Early phase clinical trial results promising
- For prophylaxis, not acute bleed management

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# Emerging Therapies

## *Fitusiran and TFPI Inhibitors*



- Looking forward...
  - Fitusiran clinical trial put on hold September 2017 due to a fatal thrombotic event (cerebral venous sinus thrombosis) in a non-inhibitor patient (clinical trial re-opened in December 2017)
  - Concerns about the unknowns associated with manipulating regulatory pathways
  - Concerns also about management of breakthrough bleeds and use in other procoagulant states (e.g. cancer, sepsis, trauma)
  - Anticipate approvals in ~2020 – 2023



# Emerging Therapies

## *Gene Therapy*



- After a series of successes in small and large animal models, gene therapy success has been realized in humans by in vivo gene transfer to the liver using adeno-associated viral (AAV) vectors.
- Multiple, recent clinical trials have shown therapeutic, and in some cases, at least temporarily curative expression.
- Cellular immune responses against the virus have emerged as an obstacle in humans, potentially resulting in loss of expression.
  - Transient immune suppression protocols have been developed to blunt these responses.
- Gene therapies for hemophilia have progressed as far as phase 2b in the US and are anticipated to carry a cost potentially approaching \$1 million per patient for a one-time treatment upon approval

# Treatment Guidelines Promoting Evidence-based Care in the Management of Hemophilia



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MASAC Document # 227

**MASAC RECOMMENDATION REGARDING HOME FACTOR SUPPLY FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR PATIENTS WITH HEMOPHILIA AND OTHER BLEEDING DISORDERS**

*The following recommendation was approved (MASAC) on April 13, 2014, and adopted by the Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MSAC) on June 10, 2016.*

**Background**  
Patients with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders in the event of an emergency. All patients with treatment or not, need an emergency supply of factor at home or at their place of employment. Unfortunately, the amount of factor a patient can have at home or at work is limited. This practice places the patient at risk for severe bleeding because it does not provide families with enough factor when a natural disaster makes it impossible for them to reach their factor supply.

Hurricane Katrina provides an example of the need for an emergency supply of factor. The accompanying document entitled "Background" to this document and their successful efforts to provide factor to patients in Michigan.

In Utah, California and other states, there is a code of laws that provides some information. The "Background Information" also delineates factor supply in Michigan.

**MASAC Recommendation:**  
All patients with severe and moderately severe hemophilia (CFC) are available should have 7 days of factor at home to be available based on the factor level to achieve a hemostatic dose and frequency should be determined by the physician.

**Individuals should consult the FDA Emergency Preparedness for Specific Individual and in all cases of local treatment center before pursuing any course of action.**

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Individuals with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders require prompt treatment of bleeding episodes. Bleeding episodes may occur at any time and are often unpredictable, bleeding events may occur after minor or major injury or trauma. Prophylaxis treatment is used to minimize bleeding events, yet patients on prophylaxis can experience breakthrough bleeding episodes.

Patients on prophylaxis are treated with one or more intravenous infusions of clotting factor concentrate (CFC) at regular intervals. If the patient or caregiver has been trained in home infusion of CFC, then a breakthrough bleeding episode may be handled at home with telephone input from the Hemophilia Treatment Center (HTC). Minor bleeding episodes can usually be treated with a few doses of CFC. More serious bleeding episodes may require multiple doses of CFC over several days to resolve. However, if the bleed is major or potentially life- or limb-threatening, then the patient may need to be seen in the HTC or an Emergency Department (ED) for evaluation and treatment and possible hospitalization.

Patients on home therapy receive regular shipments of CFC from their pharmacy providers, often on a monthly basis or as home supplies are depleted. Having an adequate supply of CFC at home to allow treatment over weekends and holidays, and to account for needs related to unexpected bleeding events, is critical to achieve safe patient care. Moreover, natural disasters (hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, earthquakes) may occur, resulting in patients being cut off from delivery of CFCs for several days. During these periods of time, the need to continue regular care regimens, including prophylactic treatment and treatment of breakthrough bleeding episodes, requires continued access to an adequate supply of CFC to assure immediate treatment. Lack of an adequate supply of CFC to cover such situations might place patients at-risk for severe complications, including death.

The number of doses required for provision of home therapy varies greatly and is dependent upon the type of hemophilia (FVIII, FIX), the level of severity (severe, moderate, mild), the presence of an inhibitor, the prescribed regimen (on-demand, prophylaxis, immune tolerance), the number of bleeding episodes experienced regardless of the prescribed regimen, individual pharmacokinetics, the product utilized (standard half-life versus longer lasting products), and the level of physical activity. Therefore, a monthly supply may range from 15 doses in patients with

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**REVIEW ARTICLE**  
**NHF-McMaster Guideline on Care Models for Haemophilia Management**

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**Introduction**  
The National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF) is dedicated to finding better treatments and care for all bleeding disorders and to preventing the complications of bleeding. NHF has long been engaged in advancing the standard of clinical care and issuing treatment recommendations for all bleeding disorders. In 2012, the NHF held a strategic summit to develop a plan for hemophilia care aligned with the priority settings of the evolving US health care environment, which included an increased emphasis on evidence-based care. The summit report included a call for the NHF to sponsor the production and maintenance of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) [1].

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# MASAC Composition and Operation



- NHF's Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) was created in 1954 to issue recommendations and advisories on treatment, research and other general health concerns for the bleeding disorders community
- MASAC is composed of physicians, scientists and other medical professionals with a wide range of expertise on bleeding disorders, blood safety and infectious disease
- MASAC also comprises the chairs of NHF's nursing, social work, and physical therapy working groups and consumers
- MASAC typically meets two times a year to issue recommendations, which are then sent to the NHF Board of Directors for approval

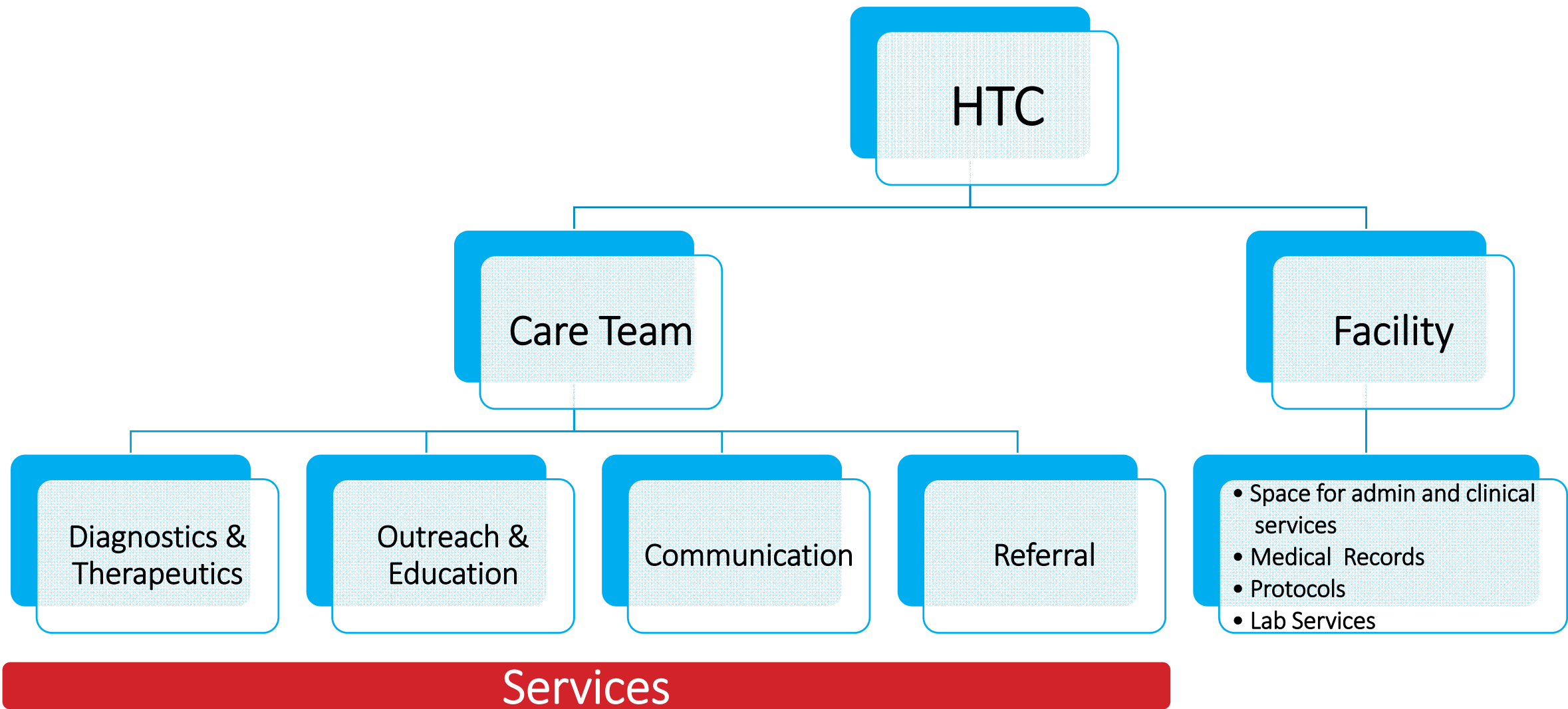
# MASAC Guidance and Recommendations



- Over the years MASAC has issued more than 400 communications covering a wide range of medical issues, from prevention and treatment to infectious disease complications and women with bleeding disorders
- Each year, MASAC establishes standard treatment guidelines. These are often referred to by international experts, medical schools, pharmacists, emergency room personnel, insurance companies and many others
- New MASAC documents are announced periodically in *NHF Notes*, NHF's monthly e-newsletter
- MASAC documents are always available through HANDI, NHF's information resource center, and are housed separately on the internet:



# MASAC #132: Standards and Criteria for the Care of Persons with Congenital Bleeding Disorders







## Integrated care model should be used over non-integrated care models

- This recommendation is even more pressing for individuals with inhibitors or individuals at risk for developing inhibitors

## A hematologist, specialized hemophilia nurse, physical therapist, and social worker should be part of the integrated care team

- Round-the-clock access to a specialized coagulation laboratory is another key component of the integrated care model

# Summary



- Aside from development of inhibitors, hemophilic arthropathy is currently the most significant complication of hemophilia
- Strict adherence to long-term prophylaxis is the only way to prevent hemophilic arthropathy and its devastating consequences
- New and emerging treatments are beginning to address many of the barriers to effective prophylaxis, and offer hope to those with inhibitors
- Optimal use of these new treatments and tools for personalized prophylaxis has made clinical decision making much more complex
- Treatment guidelines and evidence-based recommendations assist in clinical decision-making, with multidisciplinary integrated care being the gold standard model



# *Alignment of Therapies within the Current Treatment Algorithm*

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# Total Cost of Hemophilia Care is High



>90% of the costs of hemophilia care are attributed to the cost of factor product

- Average annual cost of factor therapy is ~\$250,000/patient, with costs increasing with disease severity, comorbidities, and/or inhibitors
  - **Comorbidities:** 1.4x higher clotting factor costs among adults with HIV or HCV than among those without infection
  - **Inhibitors:** 3-6x higher clotting factor costs among children and adults with inhibitors than among those without inhibitors

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# Catastrophic Claims Also Contribute Significantly to Rising Cost Trends



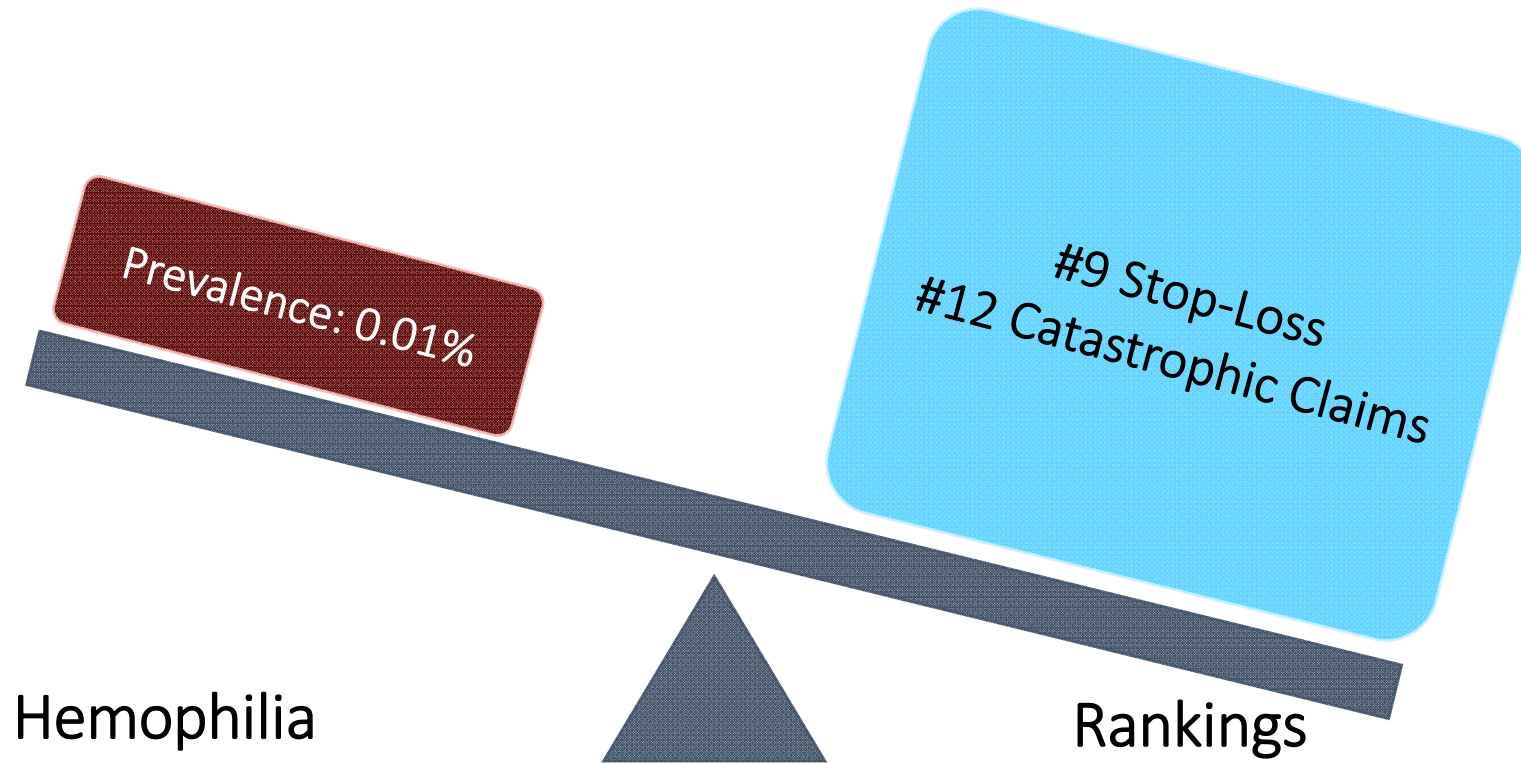
Condition	2016 Stop-Loss Reimbursement Rank
Malignant Neoplasms (Cancer)	1
Leukemia, Lymphoma, and/or Multiple Myeloma (Cancer)	2
Chronic/End-Stage Renal Disease	3
Congenital Abnormalities	4
Transplant	5
Septicemia (Infection)	6
Liveborn	7
Complications of surgical and medical care	8
Hemophilia/Bleeding Disorders	9
Cerebrovascular Disease	10



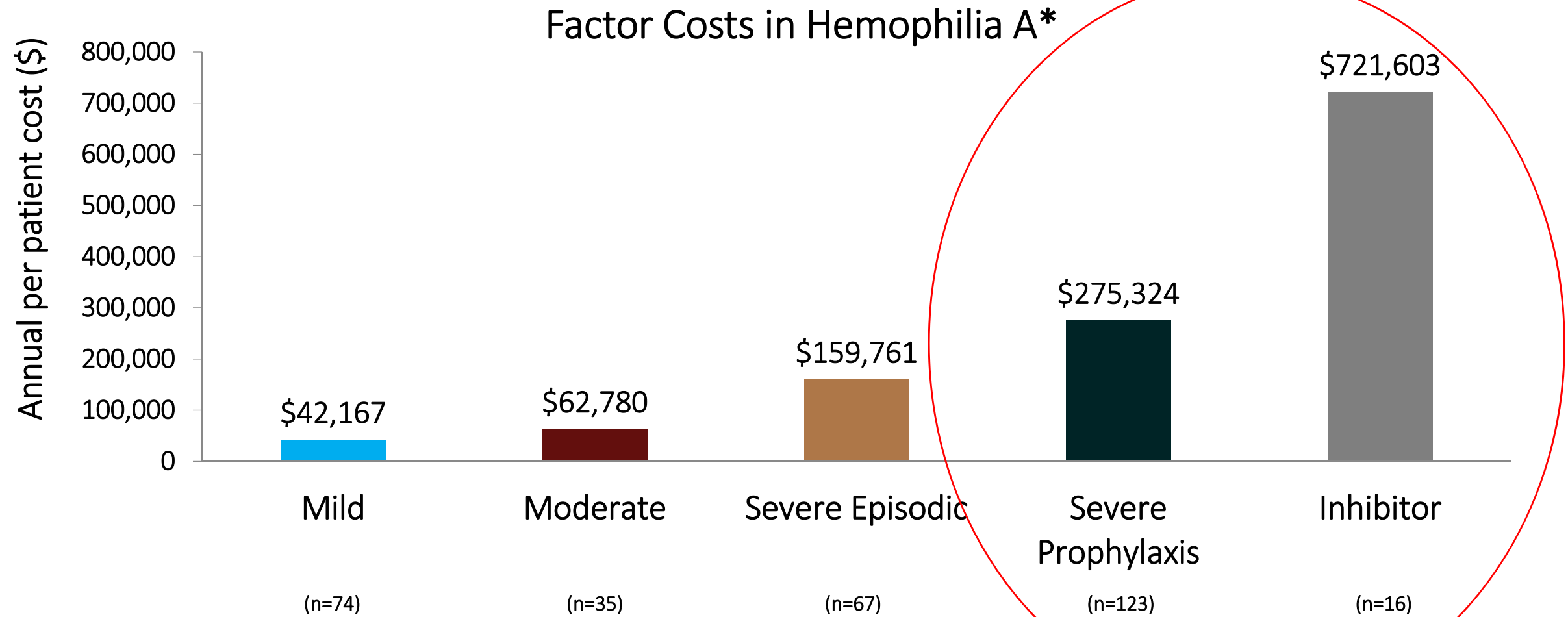
# Payer Perspective: Prevalence and Resource Utilization



## Disproportional Driver of Health Care Spend



# Prophylaxis and Inhibitors Contribute Significantly to Annualized Factor Costs



\*Factor costs in hemophilia B are similar

Reference prices: Medicare Average Sales Price.

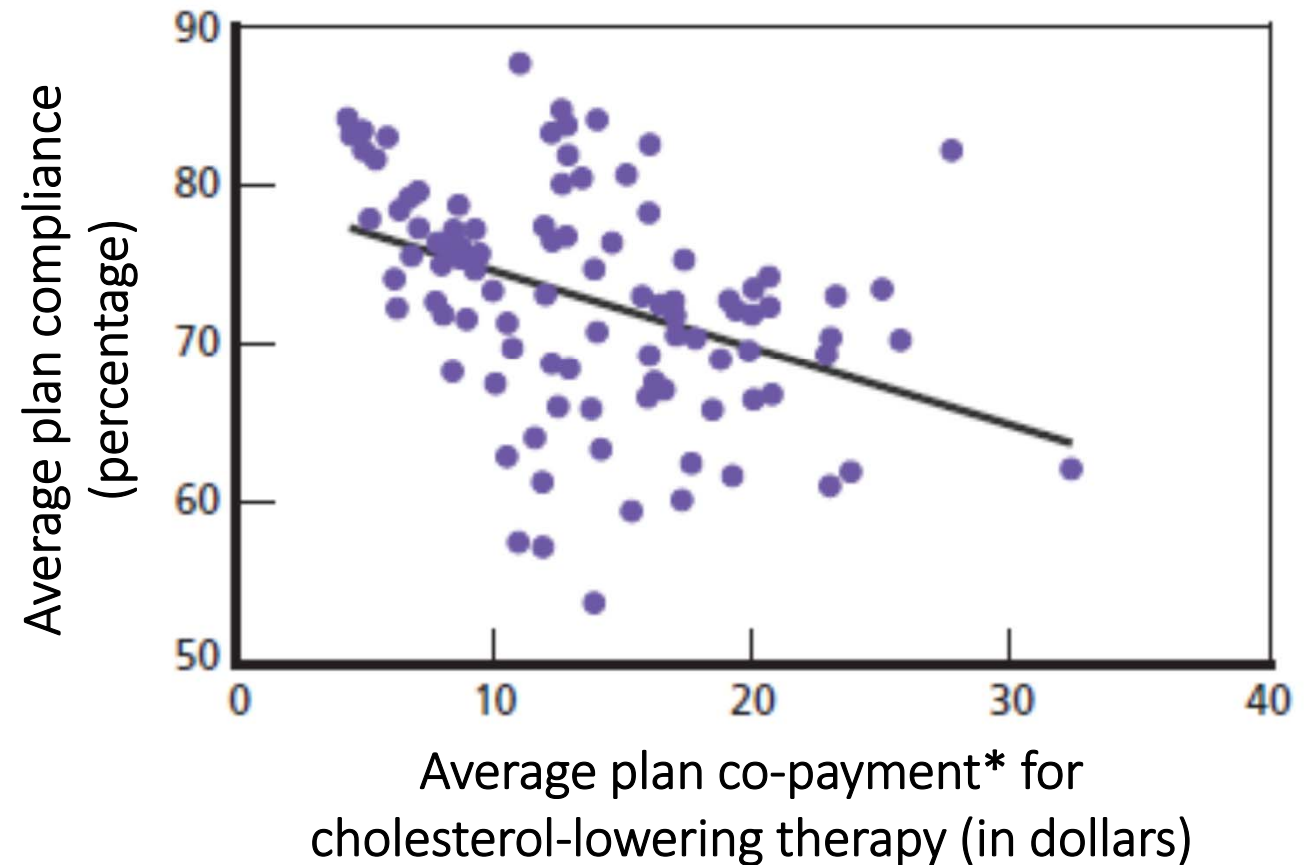
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# Effectively Managing Rising Drug Expenditures with Member Cost-Share Remains Challenging



- Over the next 3-5 years, it is estimated that pharmacy costs will continue to increase
  - Particularly troubling for specialty where breakthrough therapies for rare diseases will contribute
  - Payers seeking risk mitigation strategies look to tactics such as increased copays and coinsurance
  - Cost shifting strategies may show early savings for payers, but could actually increase future total cost of care



*Historical trends that have increased co-payments with rising prices may be a disservice to patients, and in some cases they increase overall health care costs*

# Nonadherence Results in Billions of Dollars in Health Care Service Utilization



Nearly ½ of all Americans live with at least one chronic disease



Patients adherent to their medication regimens have better health outcomes and use less urgent care and inpatient hospital services



Despite evidence of improved outcomes, average adherence rates remain at ~50%

Between \$100 - \$300 billion of avoidable, annual health care costs have been attributed to nonadherence in the US, representing 10% of total costs

# Lower Copays and Value-Based Insurance Design are Among Leading Strategies for Improving Adherence



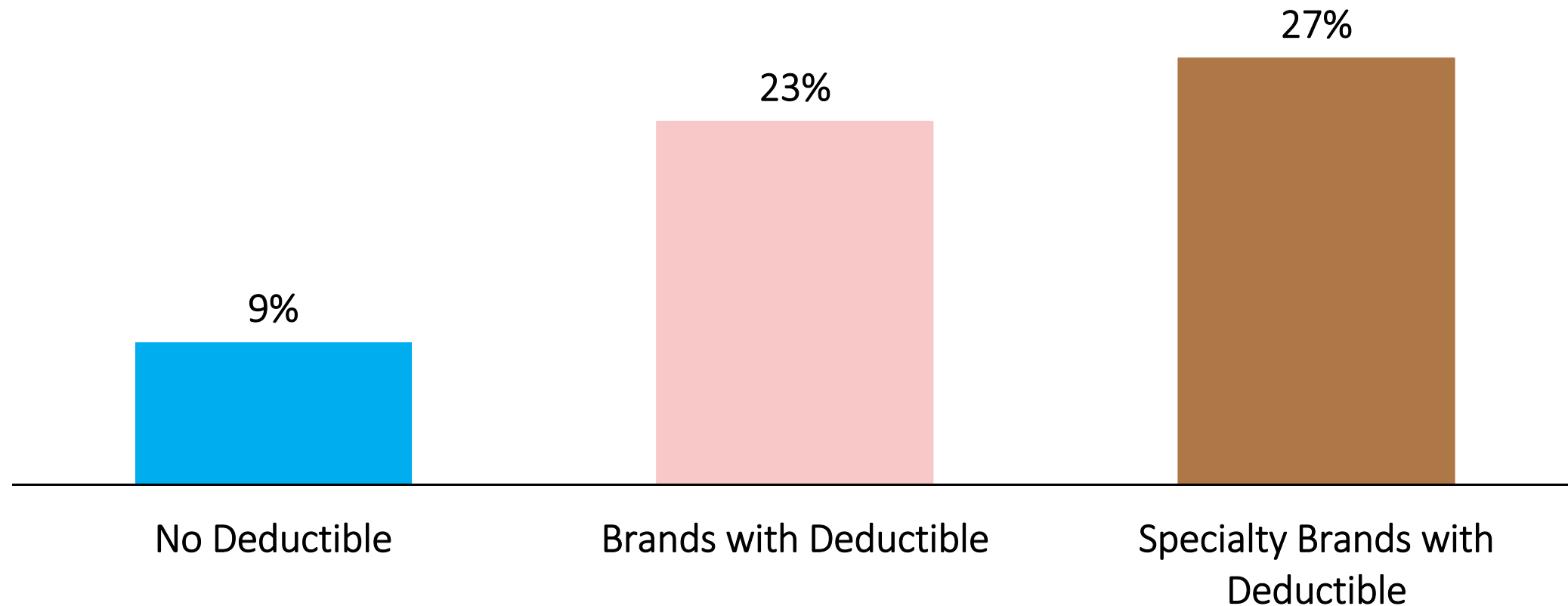
Strategies	Examples
<b>Patient</b>	
Education	Patient counseling by physicians or other HCPs
Social network engagement	Family members can provide reminders and feedback
Reminders	Automated alerts, telemonitoring
<b>Provider</b>	
Improve relationships with patients	Training physicians to improve their communication skills
<b>External factors</b>	
Simpler regimens	Medications with a long half-life or extended release
Auto-delivery systems	Eg, auto-injectors, pumps
EMR based	Electronic prescribing
Team-based care, care coordination	Patient-centered medical homes, case management, etc.
Value-based insurance designs	Lowering copayments can improve adherence



# High Cost-Share is Often Responsible for Specialty Prescription Abandonment



## Abandonment Rates for Brand Medicines in Commercial Plans



Source: Amundsen Consulting (a division of QuintilesMS) analysis for PhARMA; IMS FIA; Rx Benefit Design; Dec. 2017

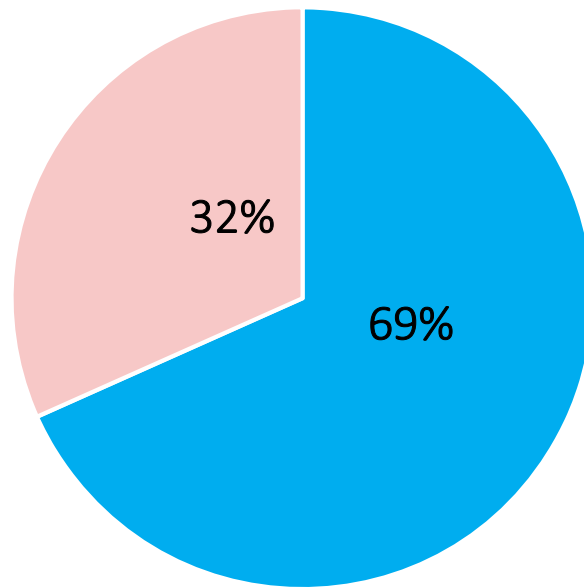
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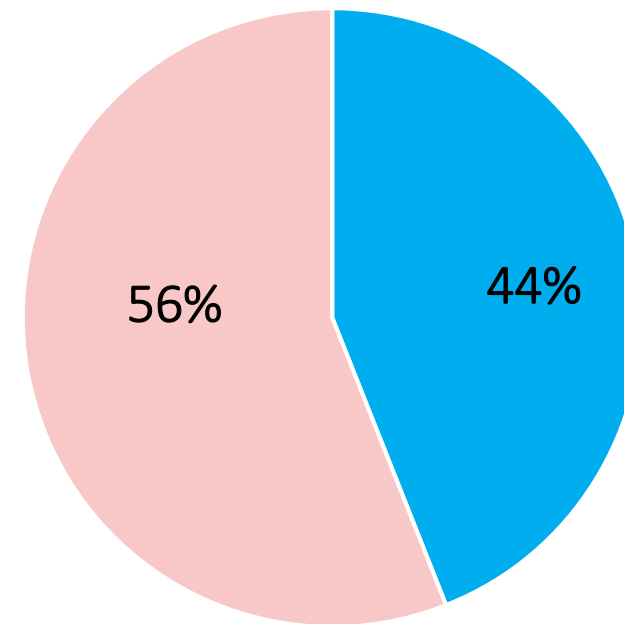


## Biologics Brand Universe



Percentage of Biologics Brands  
*n* = 101 biologics brands

## Non-Biologic Brand Universe



Percentage of non-Biologics Brands  
*n* = 976 non-biologic brands

- Brands without COPs
- Brands with COPs

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# Current Environment of Copay Assistance



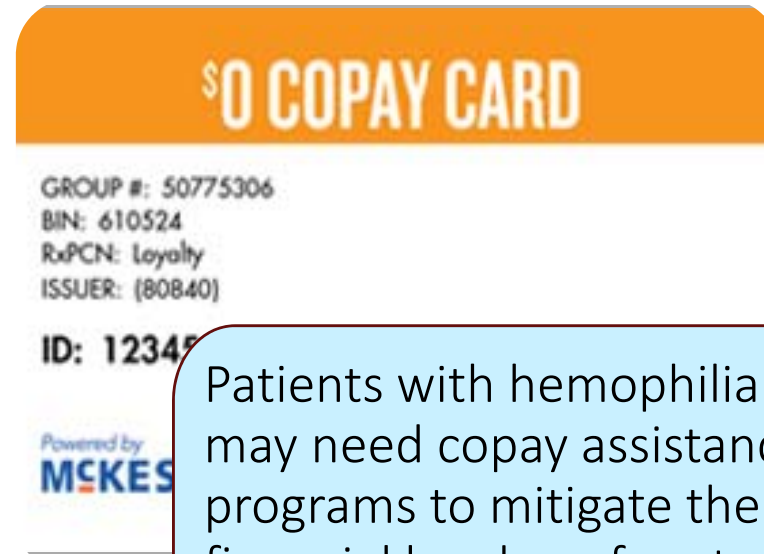
- While copay cards have positive benefits for patients (improve access, affordability, and compliance), some plan sponsors believe they increase costs via the following:
  - Assisting beneficiaries to expend their accumulators more quickly can remove barriers to unnecessary testing/procedures by limiting the patients' stake
  - Potentially incentivizing patients to utilize non-preferred drugs that are less cost-effective
- In response to these issues and as a way to drive savings for plan sponsors, two new specialty copay card programs have been introduced in 2017: accumulator adjustment and copay allowance maximization
  - However, when applied to high-cost/high-value drugs, these programs may create a barrier to patients' utilization of necessary and potentially life-saving therapies

# Copay Assistance Mitigates Patient Cost Burden in Chronic Disease, but Accumulator Adjustment Programs Reintroduce Financial Barriers to Access



For patients with complex, chronic conditions like hemophilia, finding the right therapy can be a long and difficult journey

- Adherence results in decreased health care service utilization



Patients with hemophilia may need copay assistance programs to mitigate the financial burden of cost-sharing

- Significant proportion of patients now only have high-deductible plan options
- Copay assistance programs are offered by all manufacturers of specialty drug products



Accumulator Programs interfere with a vital lifeline for patients with chronic conditions requiring specialty drugs

- Accumulator adjustment and copay allowance maximization negate the benefits of copay assistance programs and reintroduce financial barriers to care

# Copay Card: Reducing Member Responsibility



Drug A Cost Per Month: \$22,000  
 Out of Pocket Max (OOPM): \$6,500

Coinsurance: 20%  
 Coupon Card Available: Max \$12,000 Annually

Month	Drug A Cost	20% Coinsurance	Manufacturer Funds	Member Funds	Total Applied to OOPM	Plan Cost
1	\$19,000	\$3,800	\$3,800		\$3,800	\$15,200
2	\$19,000	\$2,700	\$2,700		\$2,700	\$16,300
3	\$19,000					\$19,000
4	\$19,000					\$19,000
5	\$19,000					\$19,000
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10	\$19,000					\$19,000
11	\$19,000					\$19,000
12	\$19,000					\$19,000
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$228,000</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$221,500</b>

*OOPM met  
 in Month 2*





# Copay Card: Using Copay Accumulator Adjustment

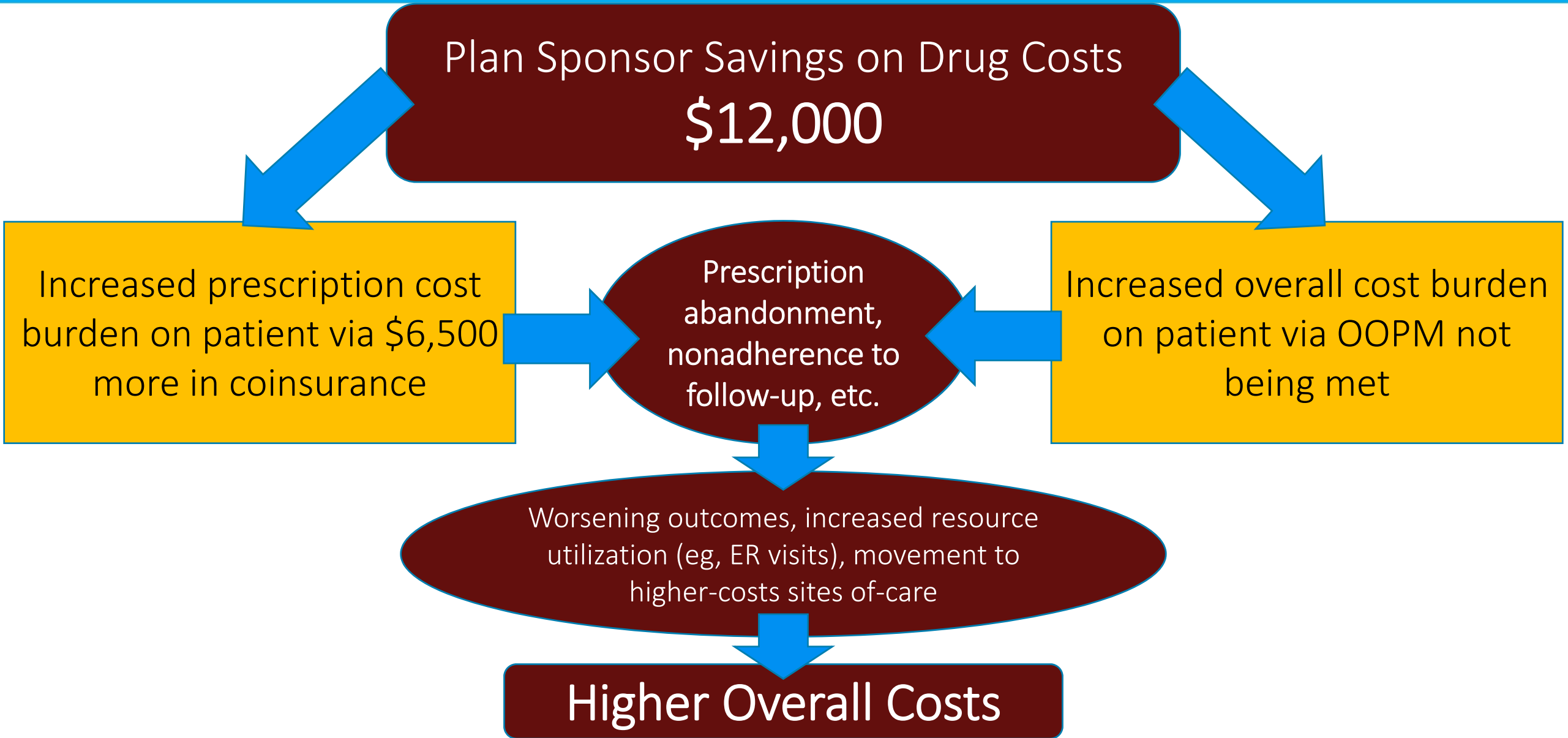
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4	\$19,000	\$3,800	\$600	\$3,200	\$600 / \$3,200	\$15,200
5	\$19,000	\$3,300		\$3,300	\$3,300	\$15,700
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*OOPM met in Month 5*

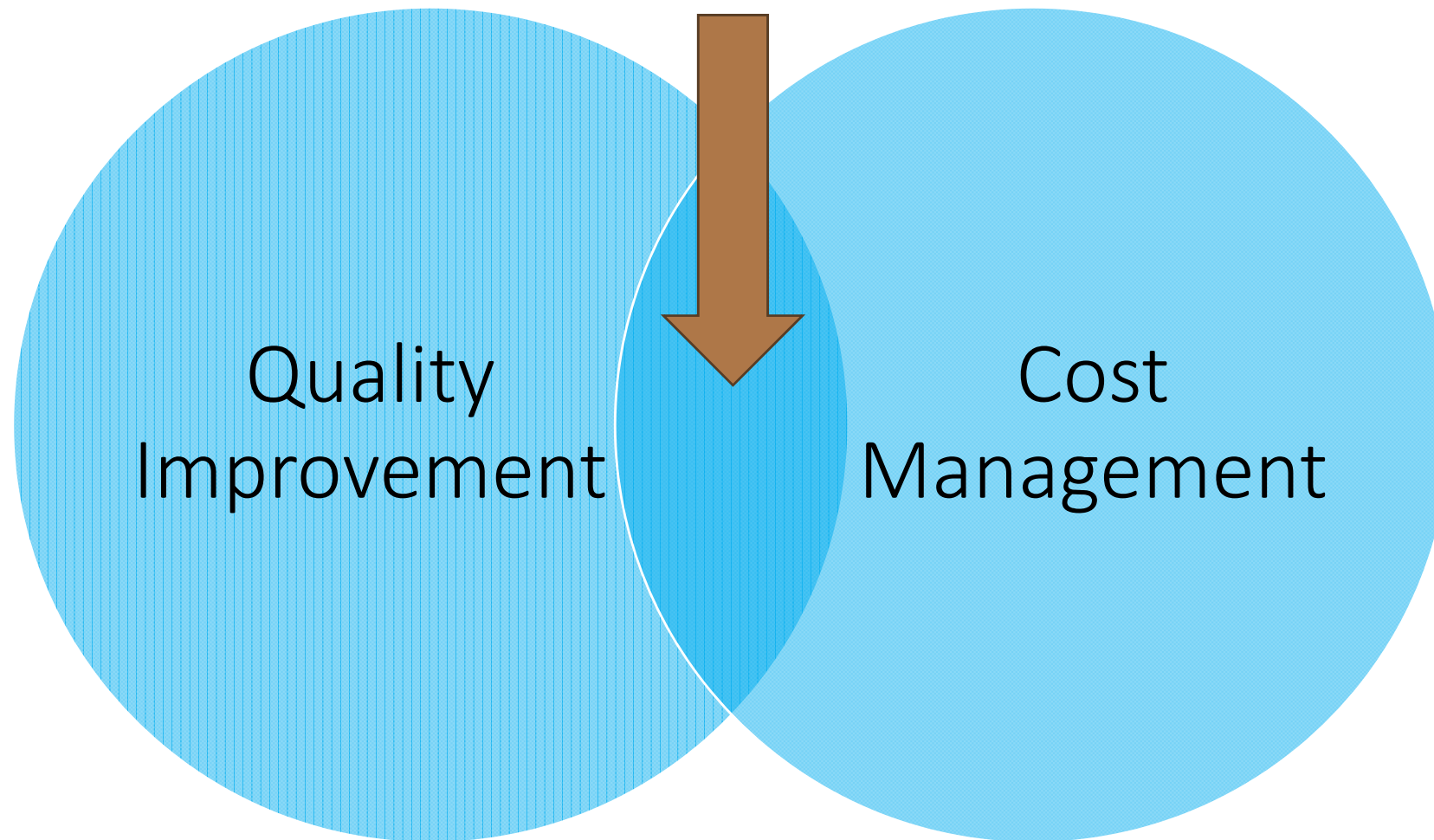
# Savings/Cost-Offset Considerations



# Payer Management Interventions Seek to Improve Care Quality and Manage Costs



Goal of Payer Intervention

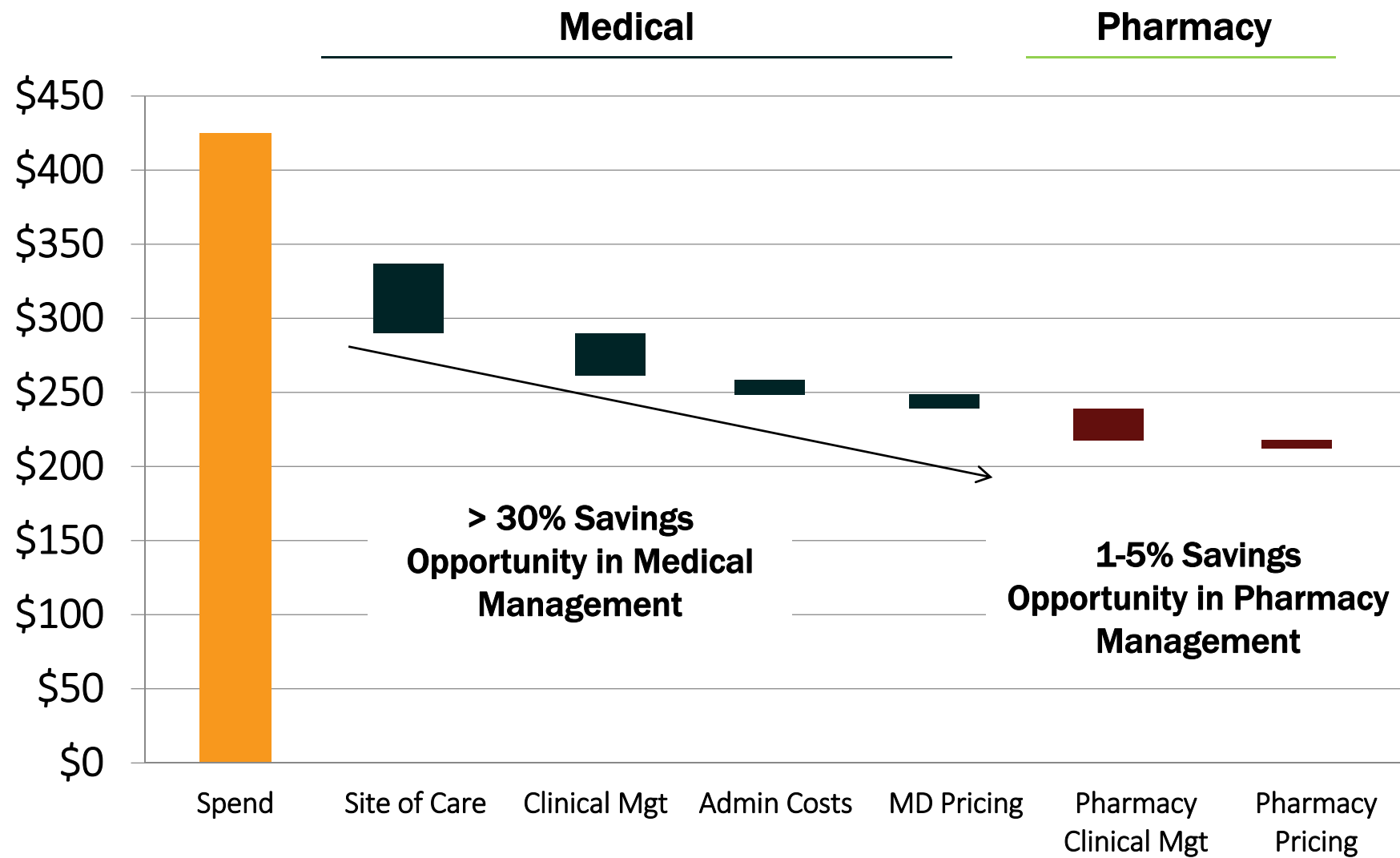


# General Benefit Design Considerations for Hemophilia Drug Coverage



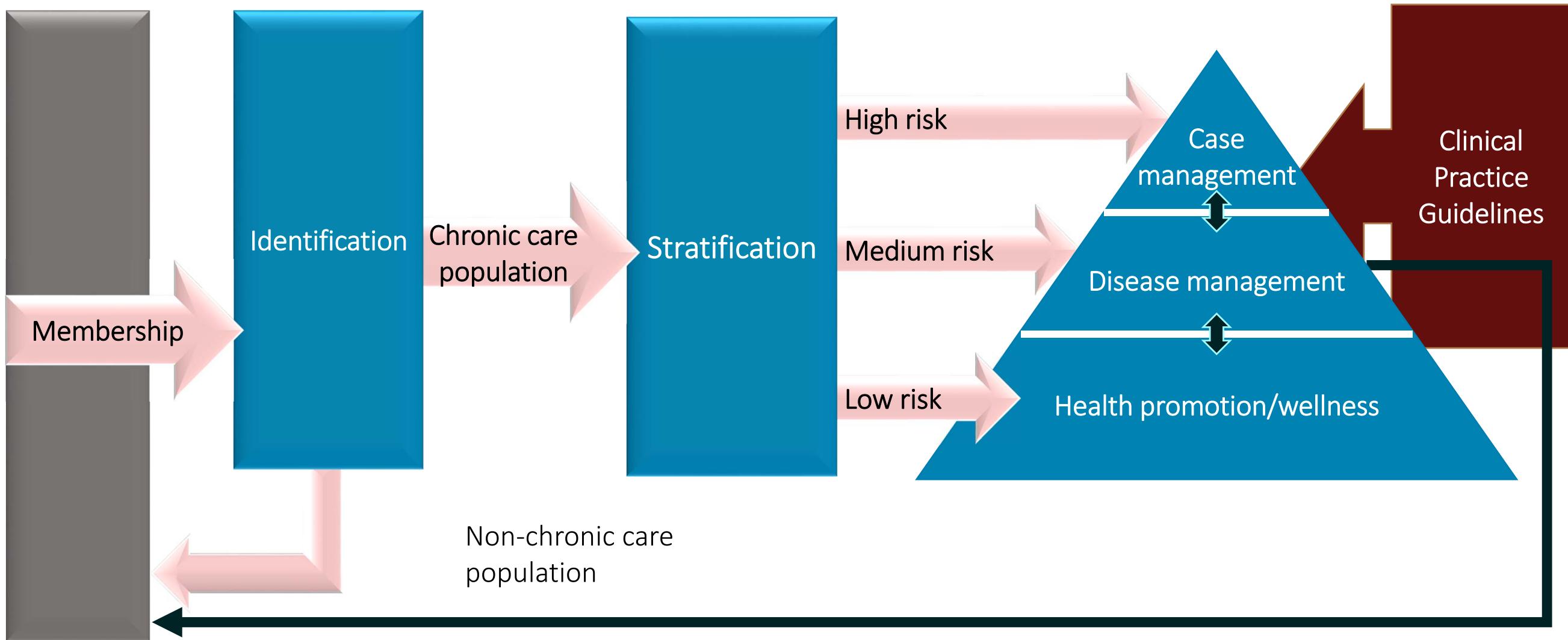
- Benefit designs that narrow access to care (medical and pharmacy) without an adequate network, or force steep economic costs on beneficiaries that require expensive care will pay the price of “leakage” to other methods of access (i.e., ER, Urgent care, etc.) outside the preferred methodology
- Network and benefit design must account for situations where the default option is not the highest cost and/or the lowest quality option
- Open access (ideally, at minimum one 340B and one other SPP) and minimal cost-sharing represents the optimal scenario for appropriate utilization and improved outcomes

# Specialty Drug Savings Opportunities May be Better Realized Through Medical Management



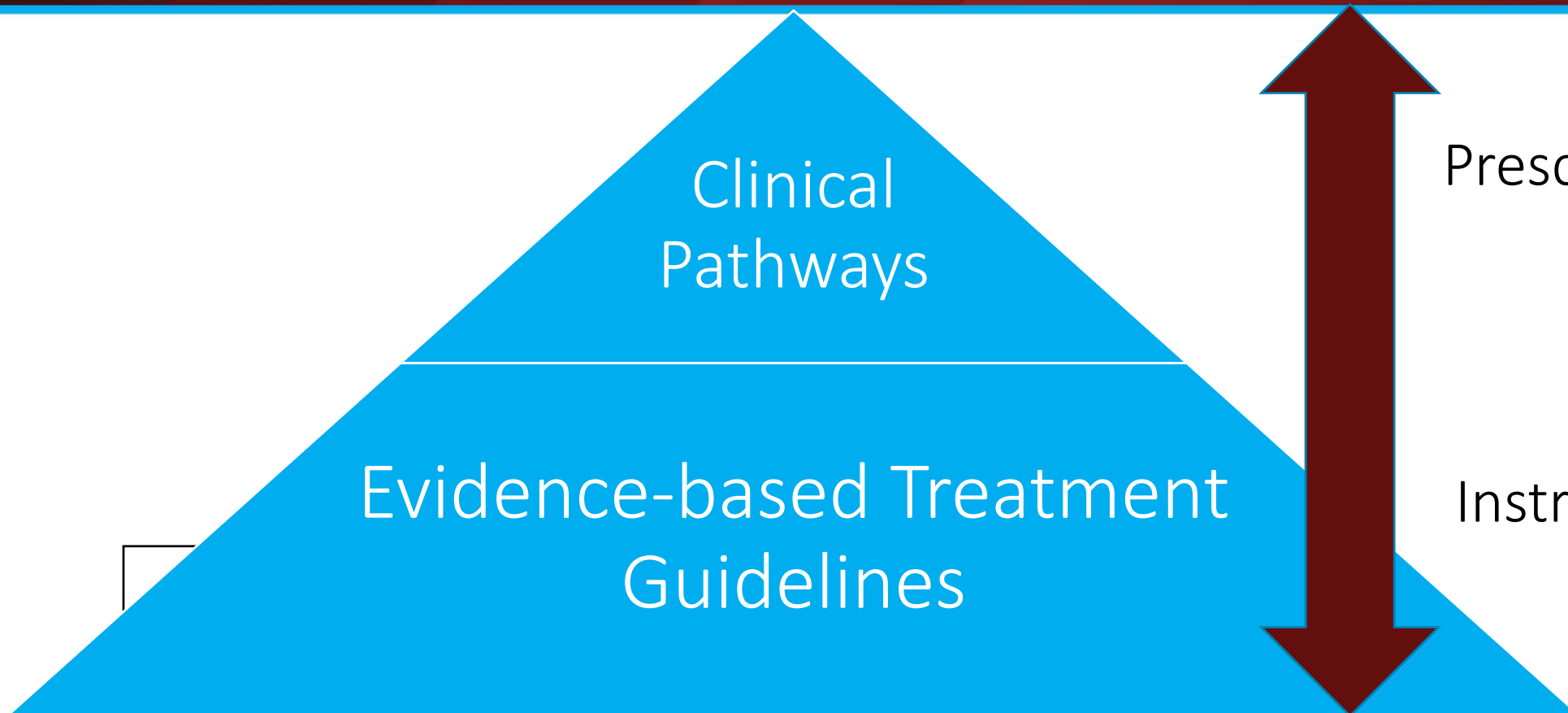


# Chronic Care Programs and Clinical Guideline Initiatives Provide an Evidence-based Means of Managing Costs Beyond Increased Member Share





# Integration of Evidence-based Treatment Guidelines Are the Norm and Have Given Way to More Sophisticated Clinical Pathways Initiatives



Clinical Pathways

Evidence-based Treatment Guidelines

Prescriptive

Instructive

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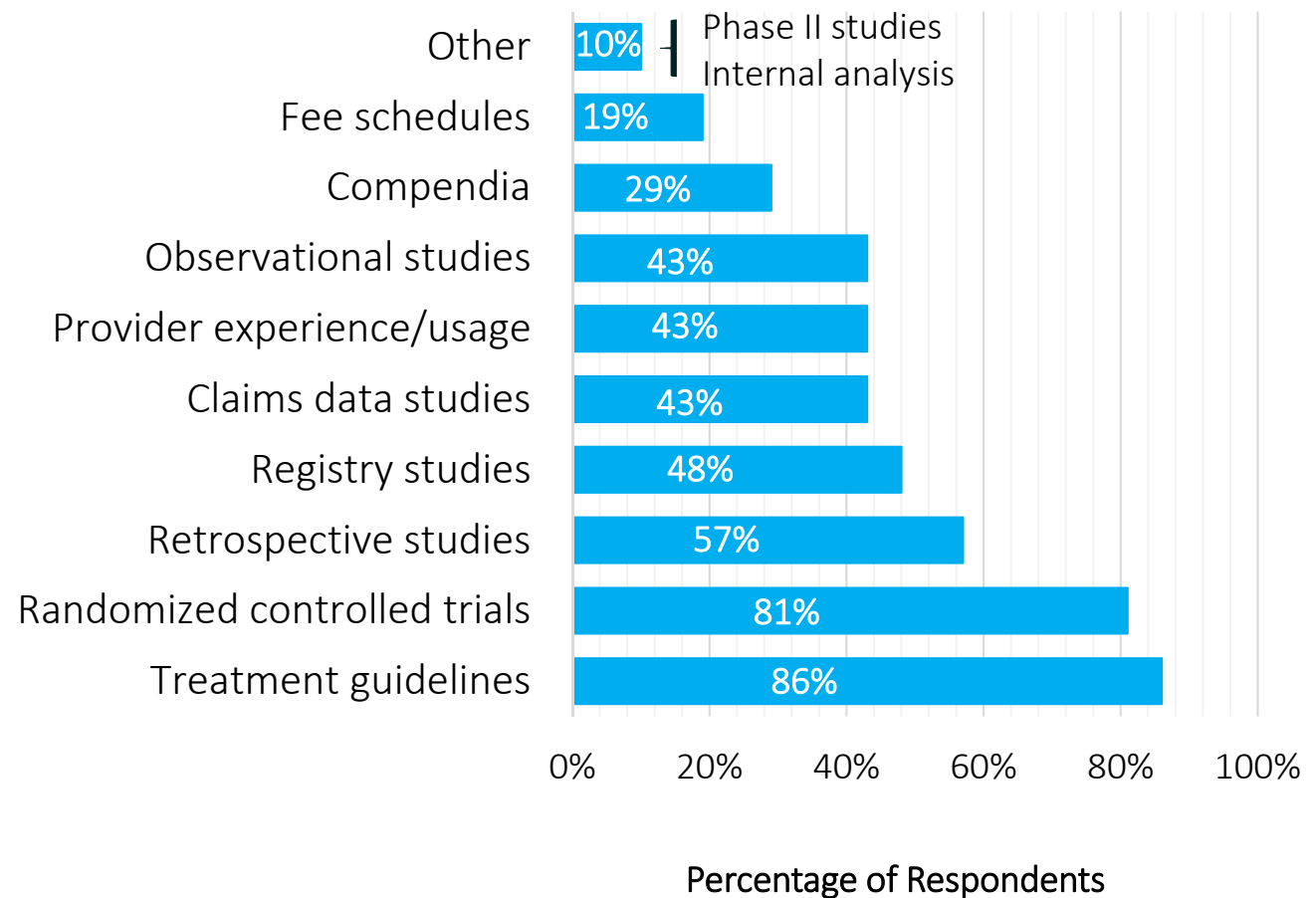
# Although Clinical Pathways Have Been Implemented by a Growing Number of Plans, Treatment Guidelines Serve as the Impetus



## Question:

*“In developing a care pathway, different types of evidence or information may be used to develop the clinical algorithm. Please indicate which of the following types of evidence or information are typically used to develop the clinical algorithm.”*

N=21 stakeholders (payers, providers, and vendors)



# Desired Outcomes of Clinical Practice Guideline Integration



Improved  
Quality of Care

Reduction of  
Treatment  
Variation

Improved  
Clinical  
Outcomes

Reduced Health  
Care Resource  
Utilization/Costs

# Summary



- The costs associated with hemophilia are high and predominantly driven by specialty drug expenditures
- Although increased member cost share is becoming increasingly prevalent in managed care, these measures can have detrimental effects on adherence and outcomes
- For patients with serious, life-long chronic illness requiring specialty drug therapy, copay assistance represents a vital component of care affordability
- Copay accumulator adjustment programs and similar initiatives can reintroduce financial barriers to care mitigated by copay assistance
- Alternative means of cost management and quality improvement, such as guideline driven care, offer an alternative to initiatives based on increased member cost share





# *Managed Care Case Study*

Faculty Panel

# Background



- Following a career move and subsequent geographic relocation, a 29-year-old male with moderate hemophilia A is enrolled in the health plan
- Amidst the hectic tasks of moving and starting a new job, he neglects to address his medical concerns and develops a joint bleed
- He visits the ER and is infused with factor provided by the hospital, having not brought his own

# Plan Intervention



- When the claim hits the system, his insurance carrier recognizes the bleeding disorder and refers the member to case management
- A case manager reaches out to him the following week to ascertain specifics about his condition and ensure he will receive care at an HTC providing guideline-recommended integrated care
- With one large regional HTC in-network, he is scheduled for an initial comprehensive clinic visit and briefed on the factor dispensation services available from the integrated 340B pharmacy

# Follow-up/Conclusion



- The new plan member attends his comprehensive clinic visit and is seen by a staff nurse, physical therapist, hematologist, and social worker
- He receives a dose of factor to self-infuse at home in case of emergency once it is determined that he has been previously trained to do so by the staff at his former HTC
- The plan case manager follows up with him to ensure that he is comfortable with his new care arrangement, and continues to do so on a regular basis
- The member has asserted that he will remain in close contact with his new HTC's staff should any issues arise, but thus far has not experienced any additional bleeding episodes



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*Track 2:  
Application of  
Enhanced Care  
Coordination*



# Hemophilia Care Coordination and Current Treatment Options:

The Latest Insights for Managed Care and  
Specialty Pharmacy

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# Agenda

- *Communication and Collaboration Recommendations for Optimal Outcomes*
  - *Shannon Carpenter, MD, MS*  
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Director, Anticoagulation Management Program  
Children's Mercy Hospital
- *Methods to Enhance Patient Adherence*
  - *Jay Bryant-Wimp, RPh*  
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- *Cost Management Strategies for Clotting Factor Replacement Therapy*
  - *John Fox, MD, MHA*  
Vice President, Associate Chief Medical Officer  
Medical Affairs  
Priority Health
- Faculty Idea Exchange / Managed Care Case Studies
- Audience Question and Answer Session, Key Takeaways, and Closing Comments

# Educational Objectives



- Describe current and evolving strategies used by managed care organizations (MCOs) and specialty pharmacy providers to facilitate high-quality care for members with hemophilia
- Cite the most recent clinical recommendations for the treatment of patients with hemophilia, including prophylactic factor replacement and the role of emerging agents
- Explain hemophilia-related complications associated with inhibitor development and its significant clinical and economic consequences
- Identify processes for MCOs and specialty pharmacy providers to improve communications with hemophilia treatment centers (HTCs)
- Apply methods to enable optimal cost management of factor replacement therapy to be realized by multiple hemophilia stakeholders including MCOs and specialty pharmacy providers



# *Communication and Collaboration Recommendations for Optimal Outcomes*

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# The HTC/Comprehensive Care Model



- A hemophilia treatment center (HTC) is a federally recognized comprehensive care facility featuring a multidisciplinary team who are experts in the care of patients with bleeding disorders and whose staff spends a majority of their time caring specifically for these patients
- Key features:
  - Expertise in coagulation disorders
  - Development and provision of individualized treatment plans
  - Preventive medicine
  - Access to multiple health care disciplines
  - Optimized care

# History of the US HTC Network



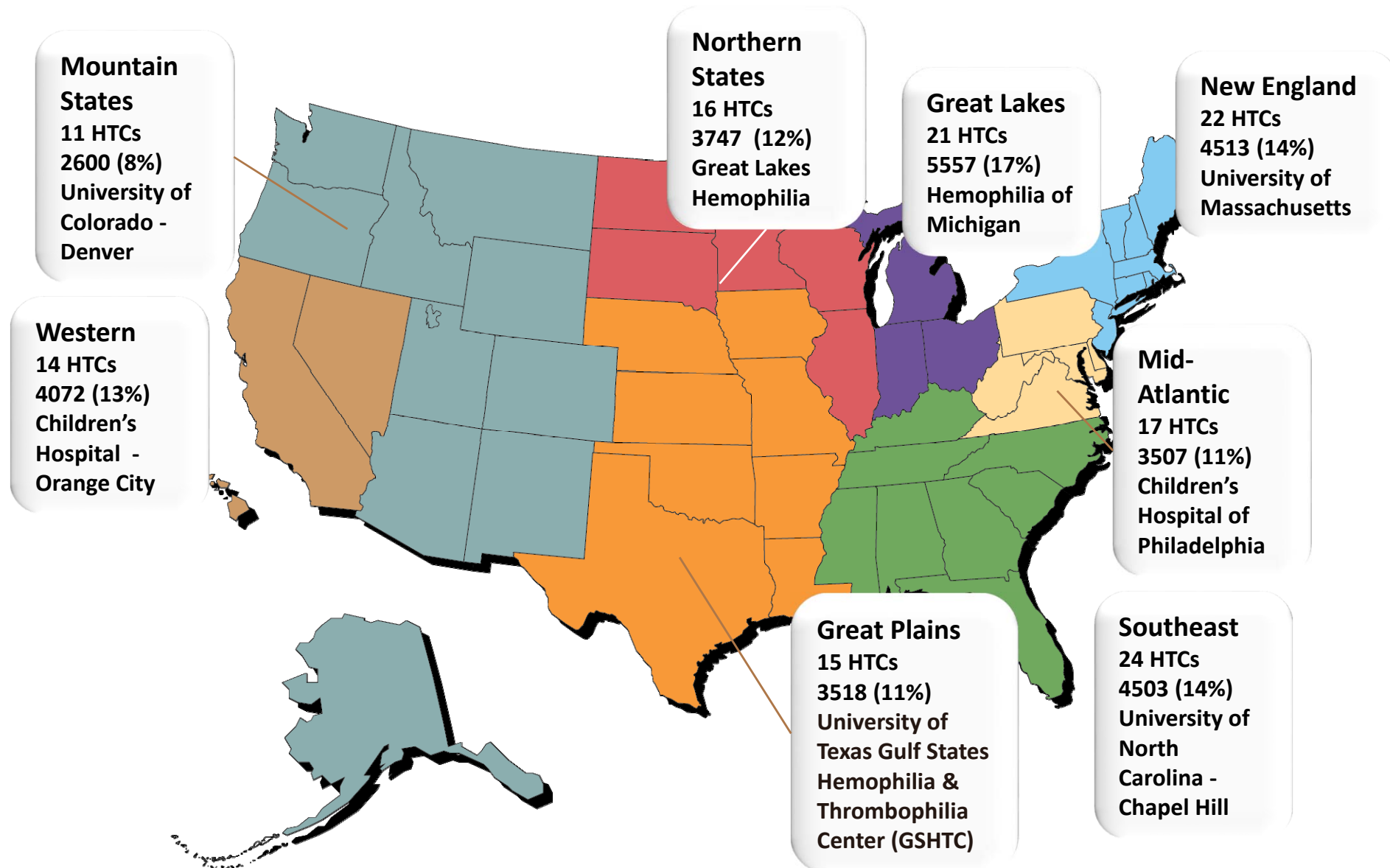
- The HTC network was established in the mid-1970's by the Federal Office of Maternal and Child Health (now known as the Maternal and Child Health Bureau [MCHB]) of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- HRSA recognized that individuals with bleeding and clotting disorders had difficulty obtaining quality care due to the rarity and complexity of their disease
- This realization led to the development of centers of excellence — HTCs — to improve expertise, access to care, and outcomes

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# Regional Hemophilia Treatment Center Network



# HTC Team Members



## Core Team Members

- Patient/Family
- Hematologist
- Nurse
- Social Worker
- Physical Therapist

## Additional Team Members

- Other physicians
  - Primary care
  - Orthopedics
  - Infectious disease
  - Obstetrics-gynecology
  - Hepatology
- Pharmacist
- Genetics
- Dental
- Nutritionist
- Educational/vocational counselors

# Defining the Role of HTC's



- Coordinate state-of-the-art medical treatment for persons with hemophilia throughout their life span
- Education
- Research
- Outreach
- Emotional support
- Ensure optimal therapy for patient (age, activity level, medical background)
- Prepare patient and families for home treatment
  - Identifying candidates
  - Teaching concepts and skills
  - Oversight

**HTCs provide care for patients, regardless of insurance status.**

# Improving Hemophilia Outcomes Through Comprehensive Care

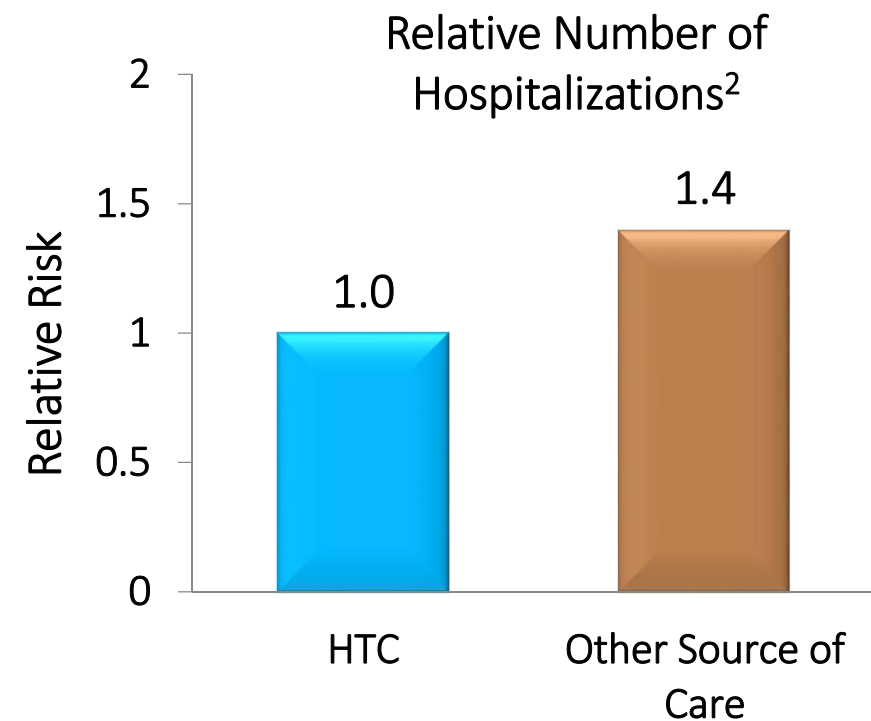
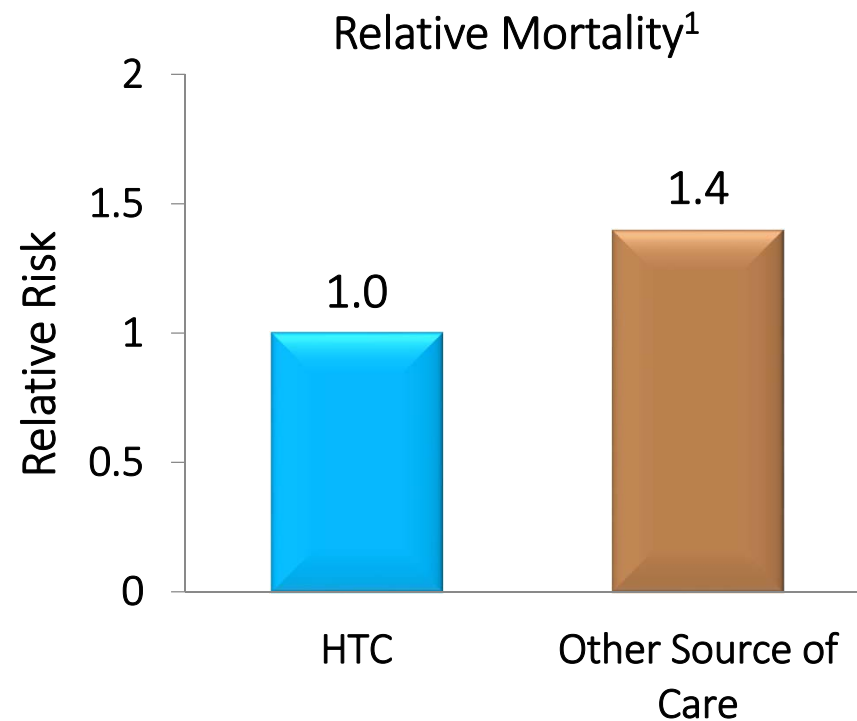


- Comprehensive care for hemophilia is defined as the continuous supervision of all medical (including factor replacement utilization) and psychosocial aspects affecting the patient and his family
- Optimal treatment is based on:
  - Early diagnosis
  - Prevention and early treatment of bleeding episodes and any complications, particularly hemophilic arthropathy
  - Detection and management of inhibitors
  - Psychosocial and educational support
  - Monitor for treatment-related comorbidities
  - Coordination of care with other providers and payers involved in management of the patient

# Reduced Morbidity and Mortality Derived via HTC-delivered Care



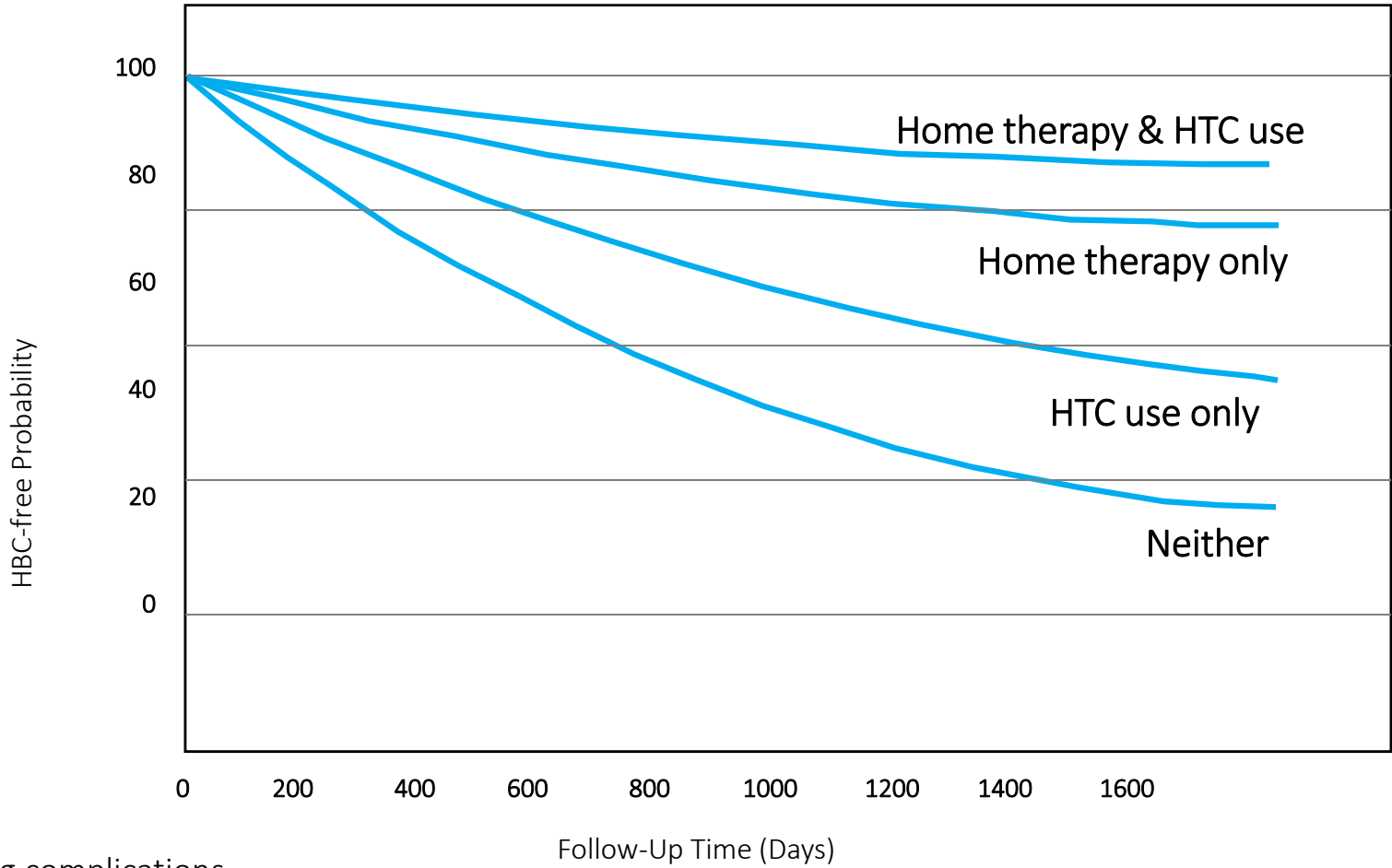
Patients Receiving Care at an HTC show  
40% Reduction in Mortality and Hospitalization



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# HTC Care Minimizes Hospitalizations for Bleeding Complications



HBC=hospitalization for bleeding complications.

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# HTCs Help Manage the Cost of Care



- Many unbilled, ancillary services often included as part of comprehensive care
- Expert care decreases complications
- Minimizes number of ED visits
- Promotes adherence and independence
- Complete medical history readily available
  - Optimal, collaborative decision making
- Collaborative relationships with expert subspecialists
- Eligible entity for 340B drug discount program/PHS\*pricing

# 340B History and Implications



## *History*

Federal grant funding per HTC averages \$35,000 annually, with variable state funding; these alone are inadequate to support services



340B program created in 1992 provides discounts on facility outpatient prescription drugs to select “safety net” providers, including HTCs



PHS pricing allows HTCs to reach more patients, provide more services, and support a multidisciplinary team at reduced cost

## *Implications*

- Lower drug acquisition costs through 340B purchasing can result in savings over other sites of dispensation
- 340B funds daily operations and patient services of HTCs
- Proposed limitations on covered entities and evolving health care legislation place both the 340B program and the sustainability of HTCs in jeopardy

# The Majority of HTC Services Support Unreimbursed Care Coordination and Case Management with 340B Revenue



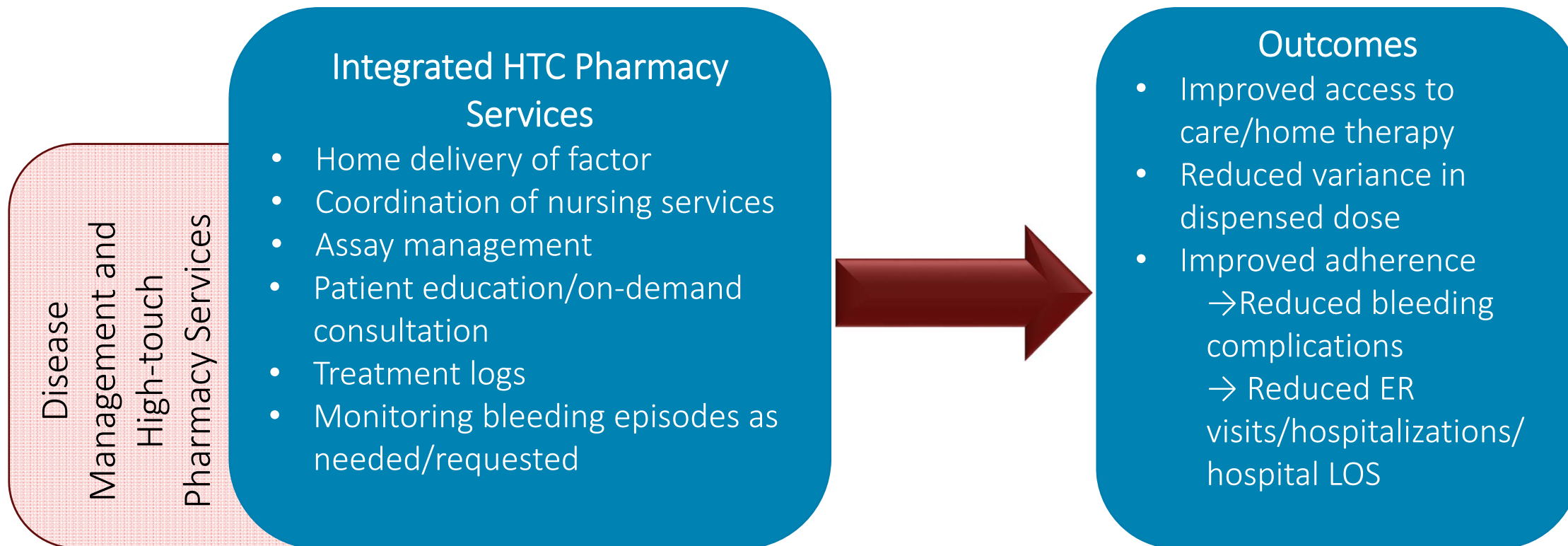
Hemophilia Treatment Center Services	# of Encounters
<b>Telephone Triage Urgent/Emergent</b>	
Annual Mean Encounters per HTC	1,968
Annual Total Encounters 29 HTC	57,072
<b>Medical Care Coordination</b>	
Annual Mean Encounters per HTC	2,088
Annual Total Encounters 30 HTC	62,640
<b>Care Management/Psychosocial/Vocational</b>	
Annual Mean Encounters per HTC	960
Annual Total Encounters 30 HTC	28,800
<b>Patient Education</b>	
Annual Mean Encounters per HTC	516
Annual Total Encounters 30 HTC	15,480

N=31 HTCs with established 340B programs

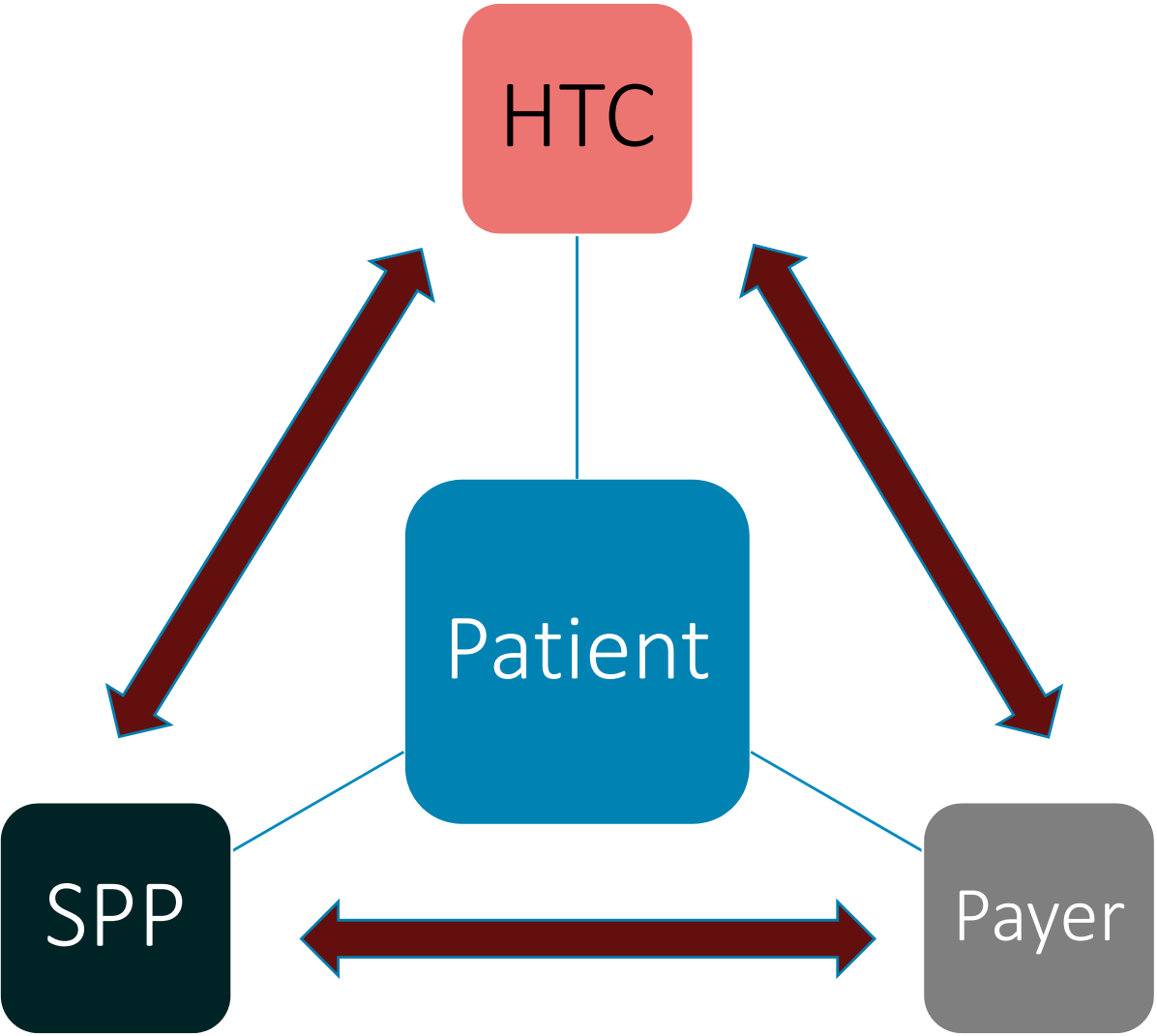
# An Array of Pharmacy Services Are Needed for Patients with Bleeding Disorders



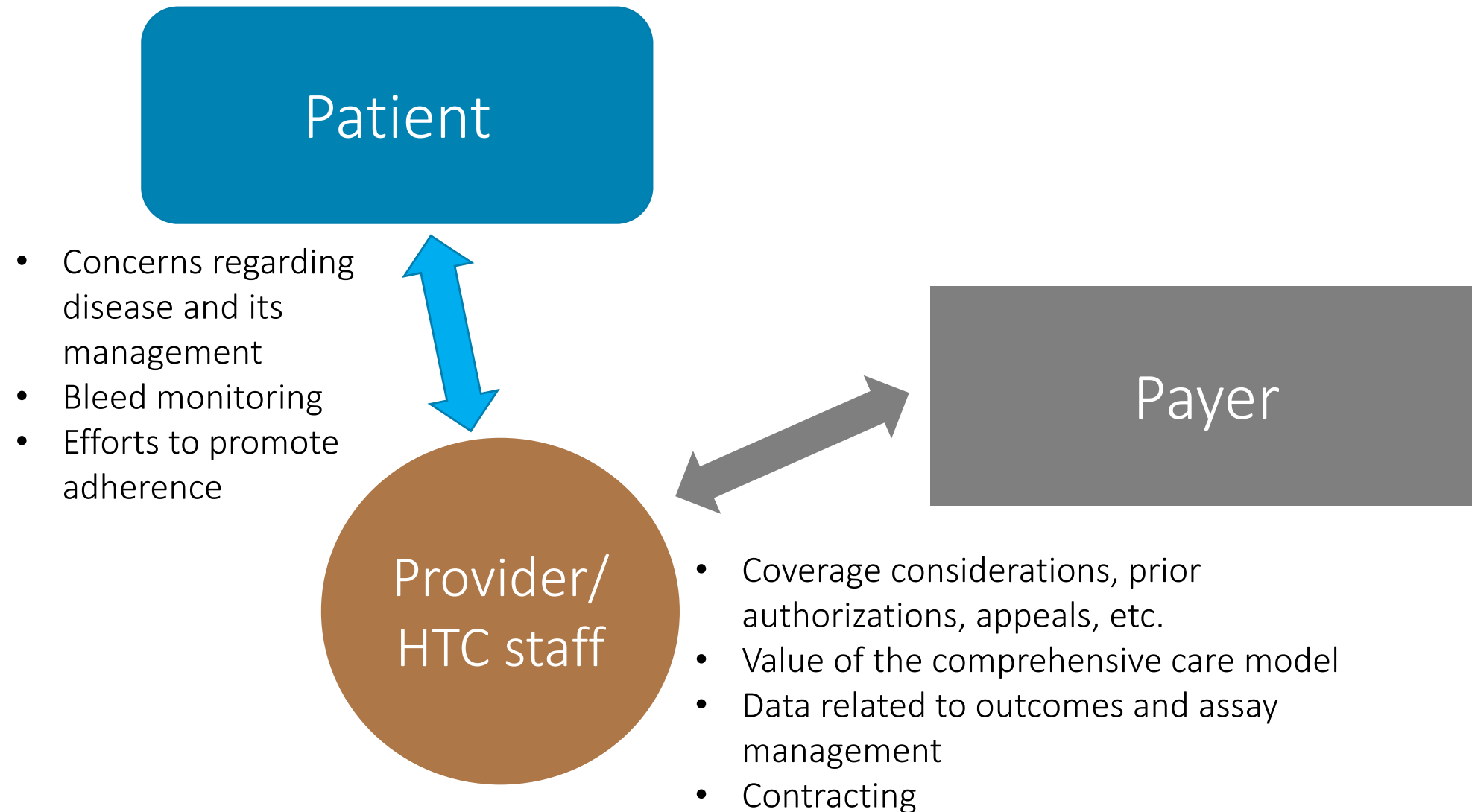
## 340B Pharmacy Services Designed to Improve the Overall Quality of Care and Manage Disease-Related Costs



# Collaboration Among SPPs, HTC, and Payers is Critical for Optimal Patient Care and Cost Management



# Providers are Tasked with Communicating with Patients and Payers to Facilitate Optimal Outcomes





# Strategies to Improve Collaboration Between HTC's and Payers



- Understand the needs of each stakeholder
  - HTC's are concerned with medical care of patient
  - Specialty pharmacies are concerned with the timely and accurate filling of prescriptions to meet the clinical needs of patient
  - Payers need to be assured that the dispensed factor and patient care is appropriate and cost-effective

# Best Practices to Improve Collaboration Between HTC's and Payers



- Proactive implementation of steps to avoid ER visits
- Proactive monthly calls to monitor bleed activity and inventory on hand
  - No shipments when patient has adequate supply of factor and supplies on hand
- Information gathering on bleed log history
- Communicate expected changes in costs to payer
  - Planned surgeries and procedures
  - Significant changes in utilization (i.e., weight gain, injury)
  - Identify barriers to optimal patient outcomes
  - Establish communication with case managers



# The Role of Patient-Reported Outcomes Measures (PROMs) in Improving Care Quality and Demonstrating Value

- PROMs represent one way by which HTC and SPPs can demonstrate value-based care to payers
- Use of PROMs in rare disease research and clinical practice offers the potential to improve patient care and clinical outcomes
- Patient input throughout the development of PROMs including qualitative research is essential to ensure that outcomes that matter to people living with rare disease are appropriately captured
- Given the large number of rare diseases, small numbers of patients living with each condition and the cost of instrument development, creative and pragmatic solutions to PROM development and use may be necessary
- Solutions include qualitative interviews, modern psychometrics and resources such as item banking and computer adaptive testing
  - Many HTCs currently employ such measures in the form of bleed logs, telephonic outreach/follow-up, and patient surveys

# Summary



- HTCs have served as the centers of excellence in the management of bleeding disorders for >40 years
- In addition to improved clinical outcomes, many centers feature an integrated 340B pharmacy model that allows for the provision of unreimbursed ancillary services
- Communication and data sharing with payers is necessary to promote the value of the comprehensive care model, ensure adequate coverage and reimbursement, and leverage the delivery of care in contracting discussions
- PROMs and other clinical data collected by HTCs can help improve the quality of care and demonstrate the value of HTC-delivered care to payers



# Methods to Enhance Patient Adherence

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# One of the Goals of High-Touch Integrated HTC Pharmacy or SPP is to Increase Adherence



- Similar to other chronic conditions, compliance to hemophilia therapy is a challenge<sup>1,2</sup>
- Adherence is positively correlated with younger age and longer experience with prophylaxis<sup>3</sup>

“Drugs don’t work in patients who don’t take them.”

- C. Everett Koop, MD

“Nonadherence is symptom of an existing problem.”

- Jay Bryant-Wimp, RPh

*Average prophylaxis adherence in severe hemophilia has been documented from 58.8%-87%<sup>3</sup>*

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# Getting to Source of Problem: Reasons for Nonadherence



According to the World Health Organization (WHO), adherence is related to the following:

- Patient Related (e.g. younger age, depression)
- Socioeconomic Related (e.g. high cost-share/co-pay, low health literacy)
- Condition Related (e.g. chronic condition and asymptomatic in nature)
- Therapy Related (e.g. side effects, complex regimen)
- Health System Related (e.g. transitioning from hospital to home setting)

# Getting to Source of Problem: Reasons for Nonadherence



## Patients with Bleeding Disorders

- Convenience issues/time<sup>1-4</sup>
- Social/family stress<sup>4-6</sup>
- Lack of commitment/  
forgetfulness<sup>5,7-8</sup>
- Cost of co-pays and insurance  
deductables<sup>4-5</sup>
- Complications from disease<sup>4-5</sup>
- Poor venous access<sup>3-5,8</sup>
- Transition to adulthood<sup>9</sup>

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# Background: The Problem with the Problem

## No Simple Solution



- A Cochrane review of 78 randomized trials “*found no one simple intervention and relatively few complex interventions to be effective at improving long-term medication adherence and health outcomes...*”<sup>1</sup>
- Further evidence from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) reveals there is “*no single silver bullet*” approach that worked in relation to medication adherence.<sup>2</sup>

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# What Evidence-Based Medicine Shows



Intervention	AHRQ Evidence <sup>1</sup>
Shared decision making	Moderate Strength of Evidence
Case management	Moderate Strength of Evidence
Self management	Moderate Strength of Evidence
Collaborative care*	Moderate Strength of Evidence AND Moderate Strength of Evidence for OTHER outcomes such as symptom improvement

*\*face-to-face time with pharmacist shows moderate strength of evidence for OTHER outcomes such as symptom improvement*

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# Adherence Answered: Algorithmic evidence-based approach to attacking symptoms of nonadherence in patients with bleeding disorders

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**Background** Half of all patients taking maintenance medications for a chronic disease, including those with bleeding disorders, stop taking their medications within one year of initiating therapy.<sup>1-6</sup> This nonadherence to essential medications is responsible for 33-66% of all medication-related preventable hospitalizations and patient illness, costing the U.S. health care system an estimated \$100-289 billion annually.<sup>7-12</sup> Additionally, according to Capgemini Consulting, pharma is losing an estimated at \$564 billion globally in estimated annual pharmaceutical revenue loss due to medication nonadherence.

In addition to the cost, nonadherence is responsible for an increase in death and morbidity.<sup>7</sup> Evaluation of the daunting numbers and potential for poor outcomes, reveals there is great opportunity for a fresh look at care planning.

## The Problem with the problem-No Simple Solution.

There are many reasons for nonadherence to medications. Everything from co-payments, complexity of dosing regimens and access to care impact adherence. In a recent article, *Medication Adherence: WHO Cares?*, by Dr. Marie T. Brown, MD and Jennifer K. Bussell, MD, the authors describe what is at the center of the complexity of the problem. According to the research done by Brown and Bussell, “a Cochrane review of 78 randomized trials **found no one simple intervention and relatively few complex interventions to be effective at improving long-term medication adherence and health outcomes**, underscoring the difficulty of improving medication adherence.”<sup>13-14</sup> Further support for this is seen in the evidence-based medicine report, *Closing the Quality Gap: Revisiting the State of the Science (Vol. 4: Medication Adherence Interventions: Comparative Effectiveness)*. The authors concluded that there was “**no single silver bullet**” approach that worked in relation to medication adherence.<sup>15</sup>

When we reviewed the literature, the specific problems related to bleeding disorder adherence matched the World Health Organization (WHO) classifications for reasons for nonadherence.

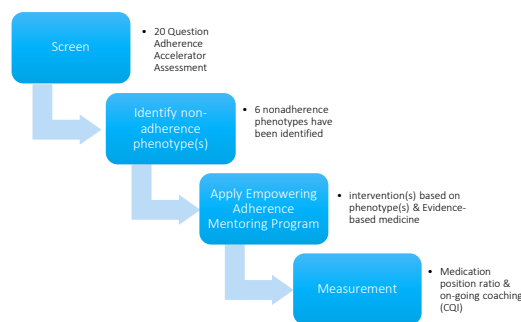
### Bleeding Disorder Related “Problems”

1. Convenience issues/time<sup>16-18</sup> Social/family stress<sup>18-20</sup> Lack of commitment/forgetfulness<sup>19, 21-22</sup>
2. Cost of co-pays and insurance deductibles<sup>18-19</sup>
3. Complications from disease<sup>18-19</sup>
4. Poor venous access<sup>17-19, 22</sup>
5. Transition from pediatric to adult clinic<sup>23</sup>

### Corresponding World Health Organization (WHO) “Problems”

1. Patient Related
2. Socioeconomic Related
3. Condition Related
4. Therapy Related
5. Health-system Related

## Methods



A literature search revealed that there are some commonalities or phenotypes that, if properly screened, could make it easier to identify correct interventions. We developed an 20-question phenotype assessment tool that combines elements from evidence-based surveys, such as the Morisky Medication Adherence Scale and Oyekan’s Readiness Assessment Ruler, as well bleeding disorder specific questions. Once the phenotype(s) were identified on each patient, trained coaches and/or pharmacist would implement the evidence-based Accurate Adherence Accelerator intervention algorithm. The algorithm included phenotype specific interventions such as; collaborative care planning, Medication Therapy Management, developing scorecards, self-management training and co-pay review.

To measure the success of the intervention(s), we assigned ten patients in our pilot program using the simple random sampling method. Medication Possession Ratio (MPR) was measured for the twelve months prior to screening and intervention. At the end of the 12-month intervention MPR was measured again.

Individualized patient-centered care maps were developed using of the Accurate Adherence Accelerator.

## Evidence-based Interventions & Results

- Care planning\*
- Patient care directed by Center of Excellence- Hemophilia Treatment Centers (HTCs)\*
- Collaborative care\*\*
- Medication Therapy Management\*\*

\*Moderate Strength of Evidence AND Moderate Strength of Evidence for OTHER\*\* outcomes such as symptom improvement

ID	MPR% Prior to Intervention(s)	Intervention(s)	MPR% After Intervention(s)
1	68.65%	On-going collaborative care, quarterly clinical coaching visits. MTM by RPh	97.02%
2	70.43%	On-going collaborative care, quarterly clinical coaching visits. MTM by RPh	95.58%
3	51.88%	Assessment of symptoms & Adherence Answered Mentoring	63.78%
4	51.70%	Assessment of symptoms & Adherence Answered Mentoring	58.28%
5	7.72%	Assessment of symptoms, insurance barrier removed, Motivational Interviewing, Adherence Answered Mentoring	69.92%
6	65.19%	Transitioning to self-management. Self-infusion skills by RN.	78.20%
7	77.98%	On-going collaborative care, 3 surgical procedures with no hospitalizations for savings of \$75,000 per prevention	74.02%
8	75.69%	On-going collaborative care, in-depth assessment of caregivers for enhanced validation.	86.80%
9	77.59%	Assessment of symptoms, insurance barrier removed on-going mentoring with Adherence Answered practitioner	86.91%
10	53.76%	Assessment of symptoms, insurance barrier removed, Accurate Adherence Accelerator program & made sure patient transitioned to new HTC	85.38%

**Summary** Patients engaged in the program for a twelve month period. None of the patients in the program were admitted for an unplanned hospitalization. Adherence rates for the group went from 66.8% to 78.43%, with 9 of the 10 patients showing an increase in MPR. All patients provided a 5 out of 5 rating on satisfaction survey. Finally, the patient group had an increase in adherence that resulted in an average of >80,000 units of annualized factor utilization.

## Measurement of Success

- No unplanned hospitalizations
  - Savings from our study consist of 3 preventions for per admission savings of \$75,000 for a total of \$225,000
- 90% patients showing an increase in MPR
  - Study Group adherence rate went from 60% to 79.6%
- Medication adherence resulted in an increase of >80,000 units (annualized) per patient
- 5 out of 5 rating on patient satisfaction survey for all participating patients

**Conclusion** Based on the initial success of the intervention, we will continue to monitor our interventions and evaluate the impact of long-acting factor on adherence. We look forward to expanding to other disease states, such as HIV, to expand our application of our survey, the Empowering Adherence coaching program with the Accurate Adherence Accelerator.

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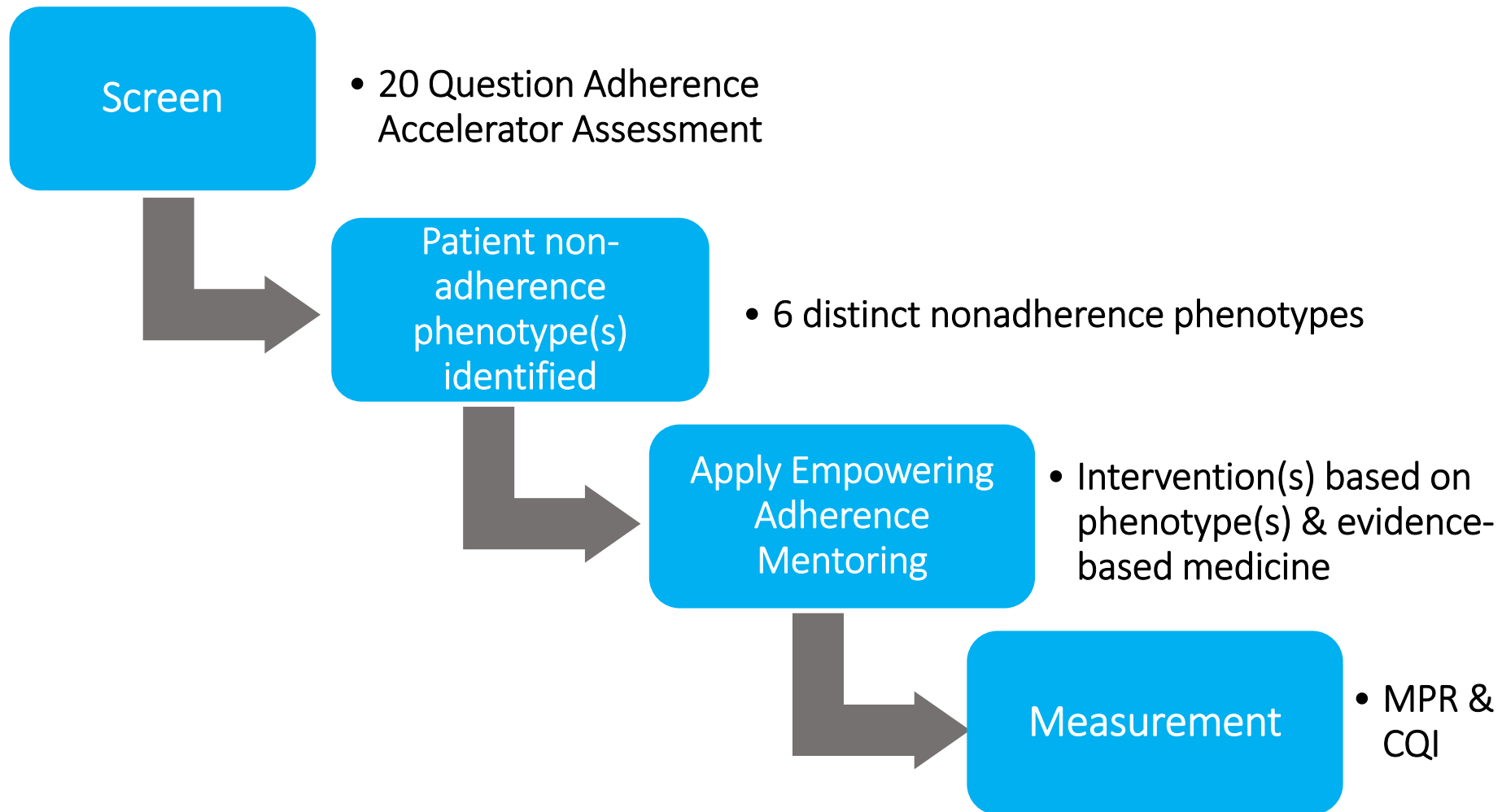
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- Algorithm included phenotype specific interventions
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  - Medication therapy management
  - Developing patient specific scorecards that were managed by patient
  - Self-management training
  - Co-pay review and patient assistance plan navigation

# Methods



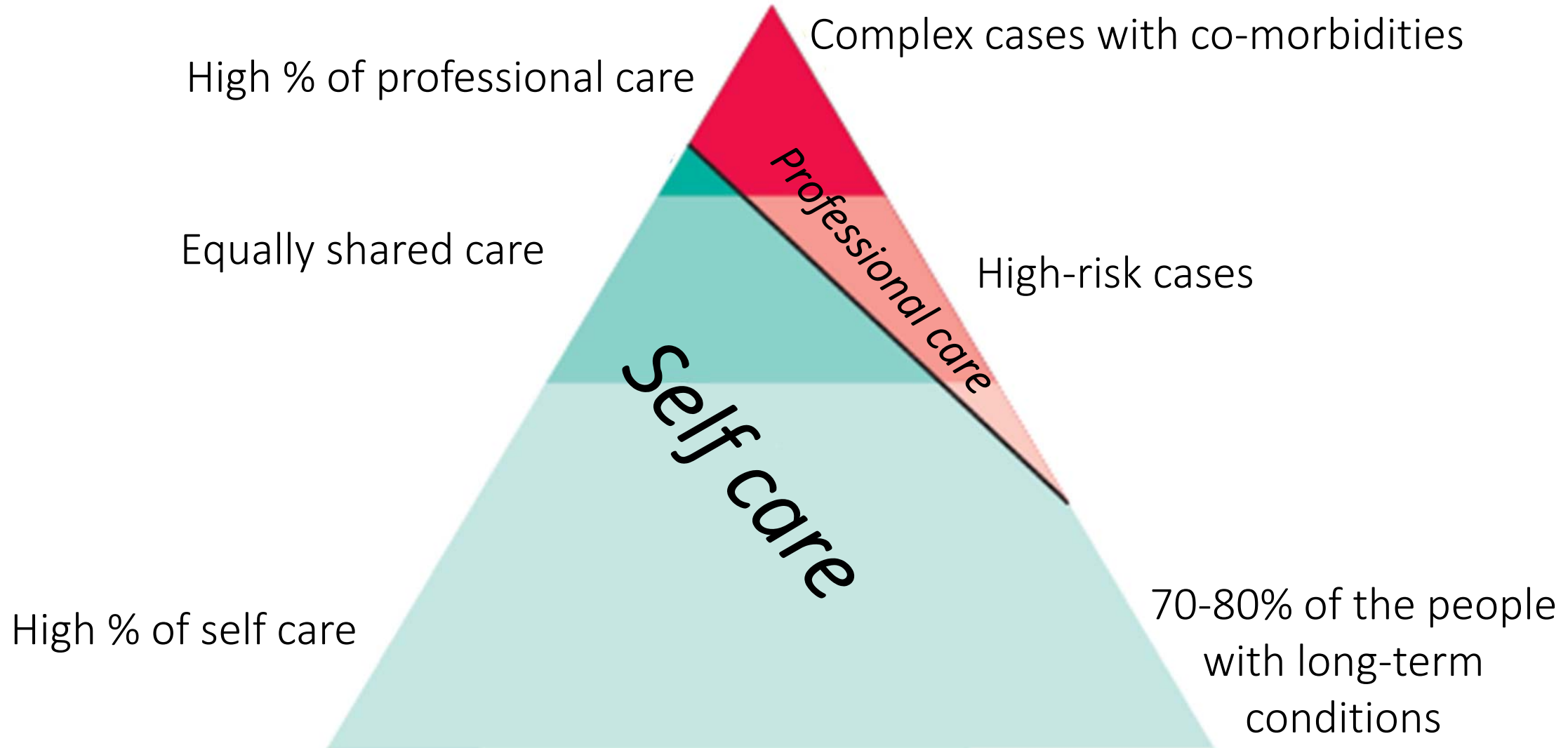


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# With the Exception of the Most Complex and Severe Cases, Self-Care Comprises the Largest Share of Chronic Disease Management



# Patient Engagement Has Been Termed “The Blockbuster Drug of the Century”



- Patients can play an integral role in improving the quality, safety, and cost of healthcare interventions
- The importance of patient engagement as an essential component of high-quality healthcare has been recognized worldwide
- The parameters shown to be influenced by patient engagement is extensive include:
  - Improved clinical outcomes (improved treatment adherence, faster recovery, and reduced mortality rates)
  - Reduced healthcare resource utilization (fewer hospitalizations, ER visits, etc.)
  - Improved service quality

# Patient Engagement Strategies are Widespread and Focus on Patient and Caregiver Education



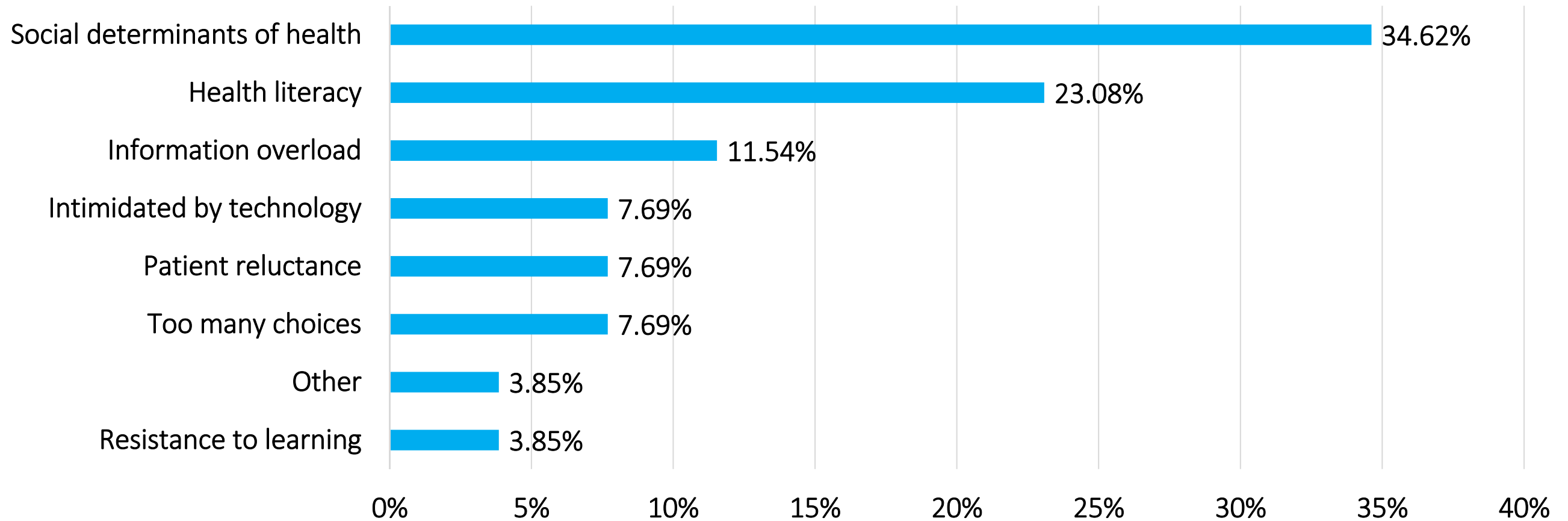
According to a recent survey of 75 health services organizations...

- 71% created formal patient engagement programs, with 45% of the remaining slated to launch a program in the coming year
- 63% mine clinical data analytics to risk-stratify individuals for engagement efforts
- 37% employ social determinants of health (SDOH) screenings of patient populations to target individuals for patient engagement interventions
- To improve engagement, 75% respondents focus on education of patients, family and caregivers
- ~20% rate education as the most effective engagement tool, closely followed by telephonic outreach (13%) and home visits (13%)
- On technology side, a patient-centered platform or portal anchors 63% of patient engagement initiatives

N=75 organizations; 30% hospitals or health systems, 25% population health, 12.5% physician practices, 5% health plans, and 30% “other”

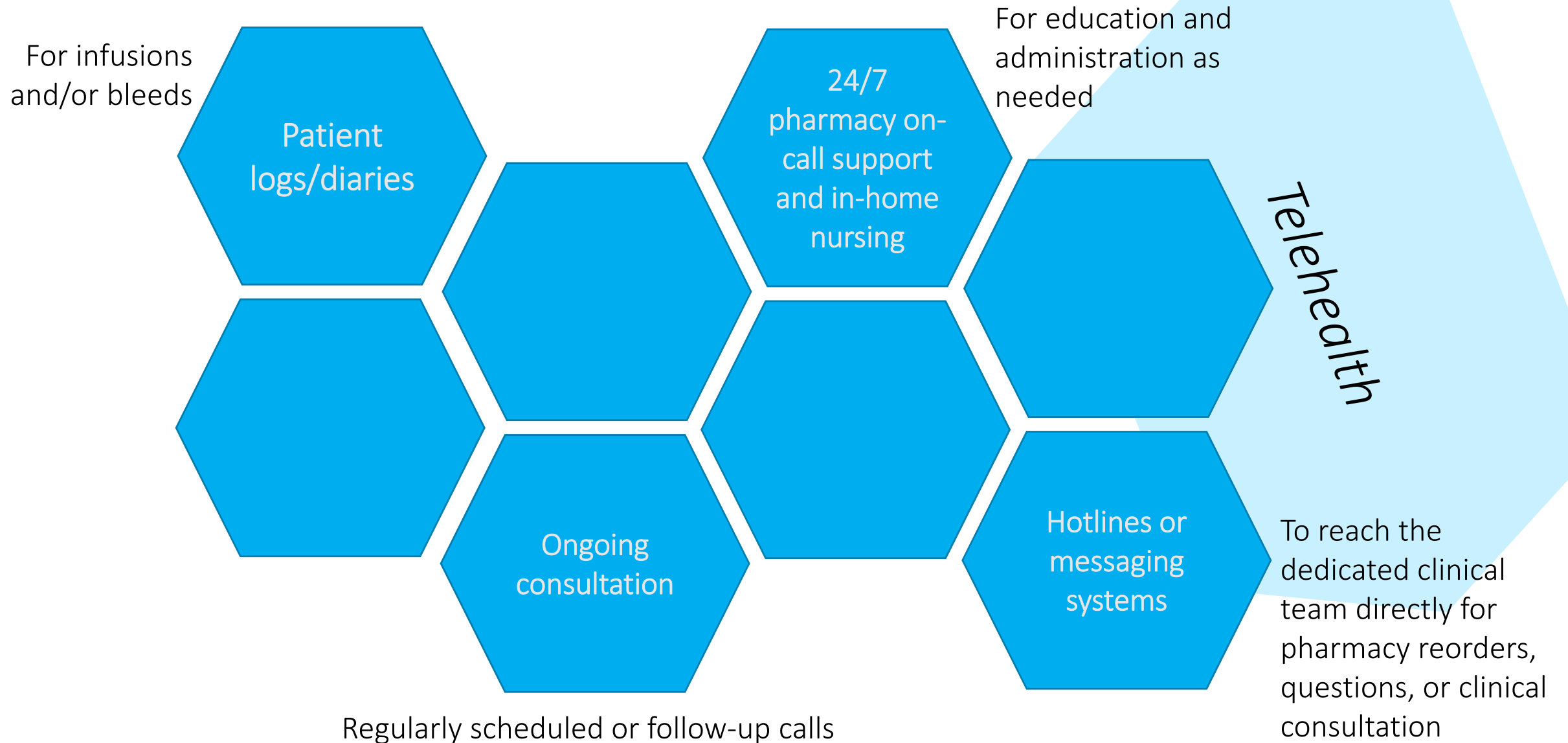
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# Barriers to Patient Engagement



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# Engaging the Patient: Tactics



# By Leveraging Technology, Telehealth Gains in Popularity as Patient Engagement Tactic



- Healthcare organizations using telehealth rose from 63% in 2015 to 74% in 2018
  - 35% have engaged a third-party provider to manage telehealth functions
- Virtual provider visits topped the list of telehealth applications for 2018
  - Adoption of virtual visits jumped from 45% to 61%
- Medicare billing for telehealth use reached 53% this year up from 47% in 2015
- The following evidence-based strategies often incorporate telehealth interventions:
  - Case management
  - Self management
  - Collaborative care
  - Shared decision making

N=73 organizations; 19% hospitals or health systems, 12% employers, 8% physician organizations, 6% either health plans, primary care, or specialists, and 38% “other”



# Engaging the Patient: Techniques



*Using specific methods demonstrate empathy  
and empower patients to be better stewards of their care*

- Shared Decision-Making
  - An approach that de-emphasizes “adherence” as the primary goal
  - Focuses on a prophylaxis plan that is customized by the clinicians in conjunction with the patients and aligned with patient priorities
- Motivational Interviewing
  - Collaborative, patient-centered form of information exchange to facilitate constructive patient communications and address a patient’s motivation for change
  - Important when working with patients who are non-adherent with their treatment regimen or have fears about having to infuse themselves or their children

# Shared Decision-Making



*Foster Approach that Meets the Patient Where They Are and Encourages Introspection*



# Motivational Interviewing Techniques



Scenario	Technique	Example
General Medication Nonadherence	Elicit-Provide-Elicit	“Can you tell me what you know about how clotting factor replacement works and how you’re supposed self-administer it?” [Patient response] “Yes, most of that is true, but you must be careful not to miss doses or you may experience a bleed.”
	Decisional Balance	“Would you mind listing the pros and cons of infusing regularly as well as the pros and cons of not infusing?” [Patient obliges] “It looks like the benefits outweigh the disadvantages in the long-run, wouldn’t you agree?”
Medication Nonadherence Related to Perceived Ineffectiveness	Reflective Listening	“It sounds like you’re a little annoyed that you have to infuse three times per week and don’t see any concrete benefit from it. Unfortunately, you won’t necessarily get the ‘proof’ that your prophylaxis is working until you <i>don’t</i> infuse and experience a bleed.”
	Validation	“I can totally understand your frustration. You have to take time out of your busy life to infuse factor and your life goes on with no noticeable difference. The fact is, this treatment provides long-term benefits for bleed prophylaxis and joint health.”
Medication Nonadherence Related to Adverse Events	Open Questions	“Tell me about what side effects are bothering you the most... And how are the injection site reactions effecting your daily activities?” [Patient responds] “Well unfortunately, that’s a completely normal reaction you’re having. Have you considered alternating arms? They may become less burdensome if you’re not regularly infusing in the same arm.”

# Summary



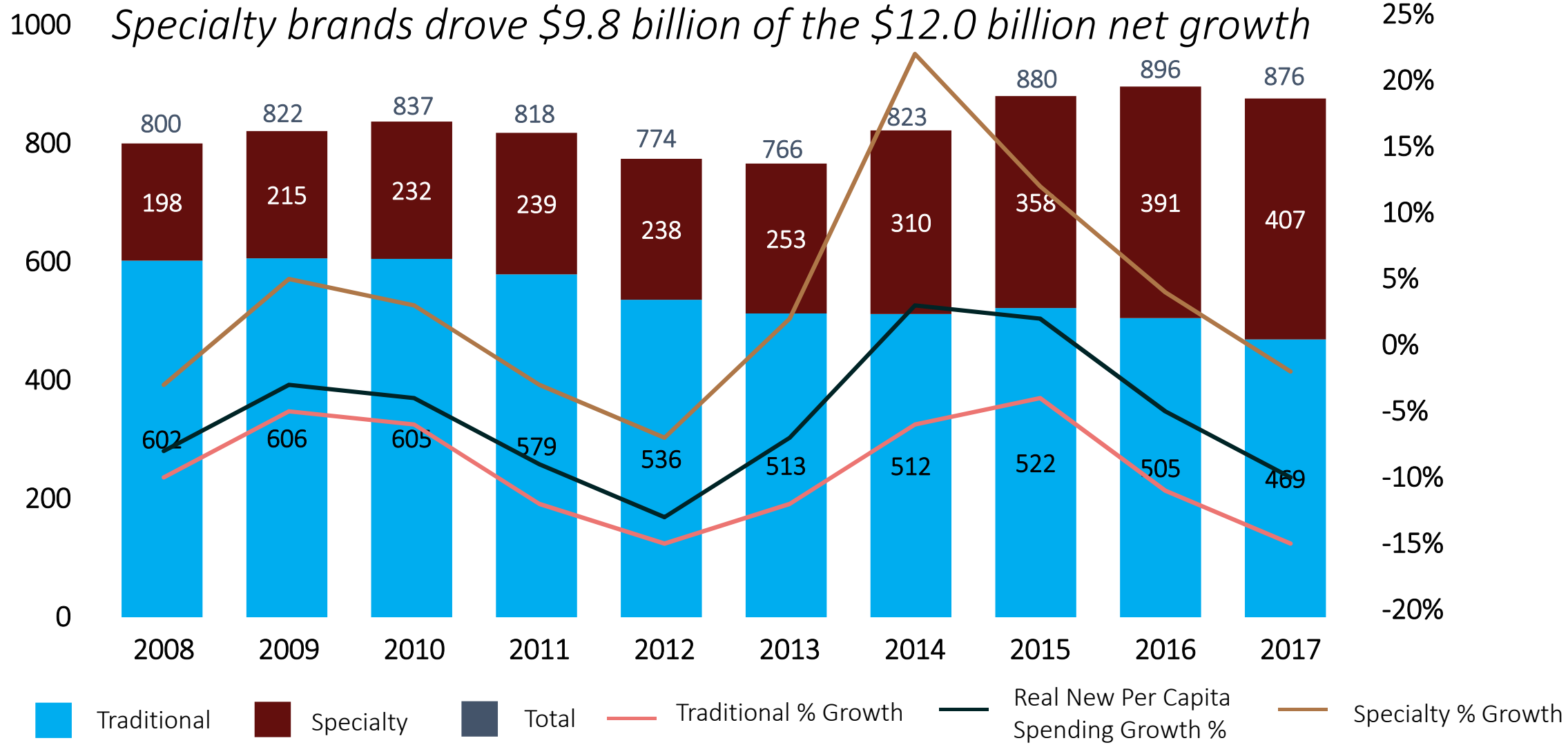
- Similar to other chronic conditions, adherence to hemophilia therapy is a challenge
- One of the goals of a high-touch integrated HTC pharmacy or SPP is to increase adherence
- Patient engagement remains a central concept to adherence-promoting efforts
- Initiatives focused on education and shared decision-making can enhance therapeutic adherence and encourage patients to be stewards of their own care
- Telehealth has become a key component of patient engagement and adherence-promoting activities as technology continues to be integrated among health systems



# *Cost Management Strategies for Clotting Factor Replacement Therapy*

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# Traditional Pharmaceutical Spending is Being Outpaced and Replaced by Specialty Spending



Medicine Use and Spending in the U.S. IQVIA Institute for Human Data Science. [https://www.iqvia.com/-/media/iqvia/pdfs/institute-reports/medicine-use-and-spending-in-the-us-a-review-of-2017-and-outlook-to-2022.pdf?\\_af=1532281287705](https://www.iqvia.com/-/media/iqvia/pdfs/institute-reports/medicine-use-and-spending-in-the-us-a-review-of-2017-and-outlook-to-2022.pdf?_af=1532281287705) Published April 2018

# Hemophilia Contributes to Specialty Drug Spend Despite Low-Prevalence



How many people are affected?

Obesity.....	93,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
Diabetes.....	30,000,000 <sup>2</sup>
COPD.....	12,000,000 <sup>3</sup>
MS.....	300,000 <sup>4</sup>
Hemophilia.....	20,000 <sup>5</sup>

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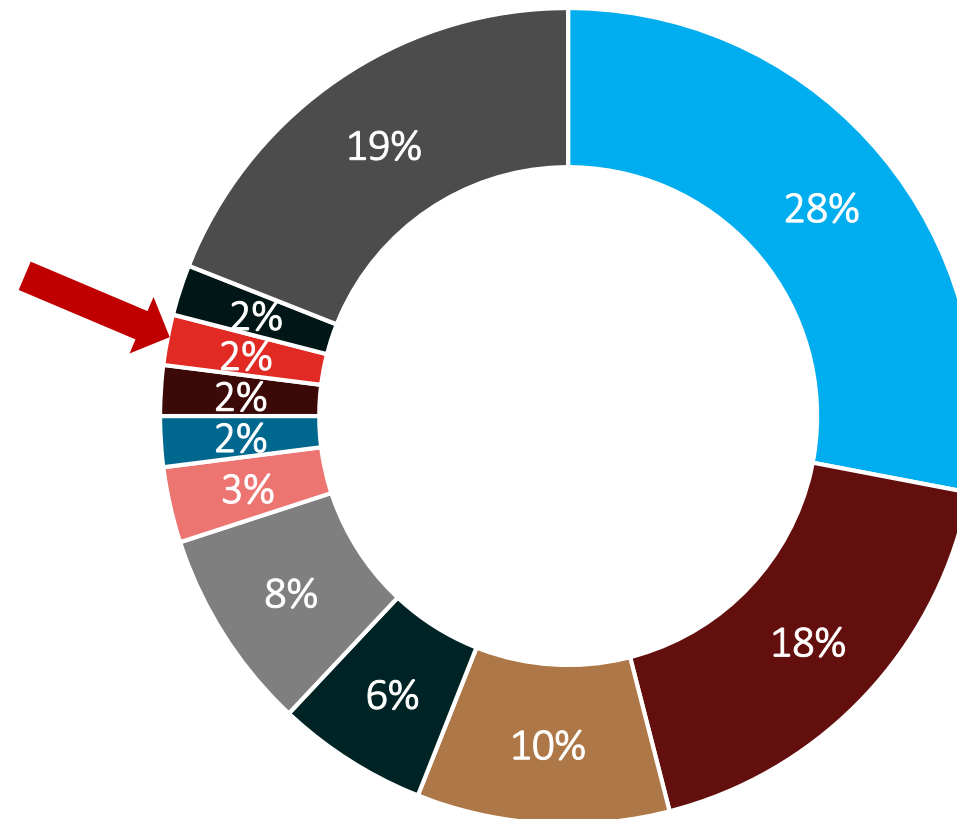
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# Specialty Drug Spend and Spend Growth by Disease Category in Global Developed Markets



Share of 2017 Developed Markets Specialty Spending \$297Bn



- Oncology
- Antivirals
- Blood Coagulation

- Autoimmune
- GM-CSF
- Poly IVIG IV/IM

- HIV
- ESA
- Others

- Immunosuppressants
- AMD

Notes: GM-CSF = Granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor; ESA = Erythropoiesis-stimulating agents; AMD = Age-related macular degeneration

# Top Specialty Categories by Plan Cost Across US Medical and Pharmacy Claims

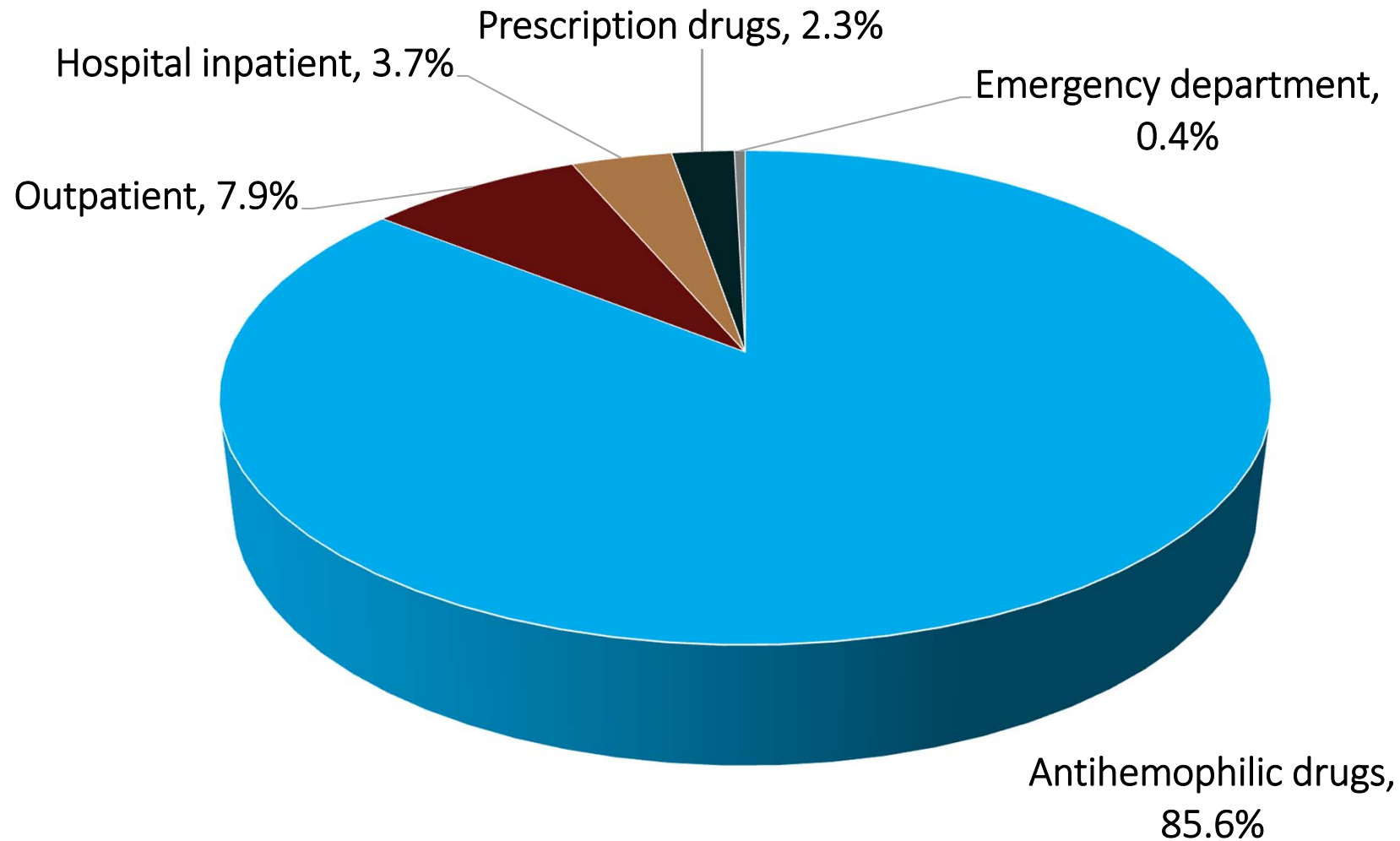


	2016 Rank	2015 Rank
Inflammatory Dis-Biologics	1	1
Oncology	2	2
Multiple Sclerosis	3	3
Hepatitis C	4	4
Immunological Disorders	5	6
Blood Cell Disorders	6	5
Growth Disorders	7	7
Enzyme Deficiency	8	9
Bleeding Disorders	9	8
Osteoporosis	10	10

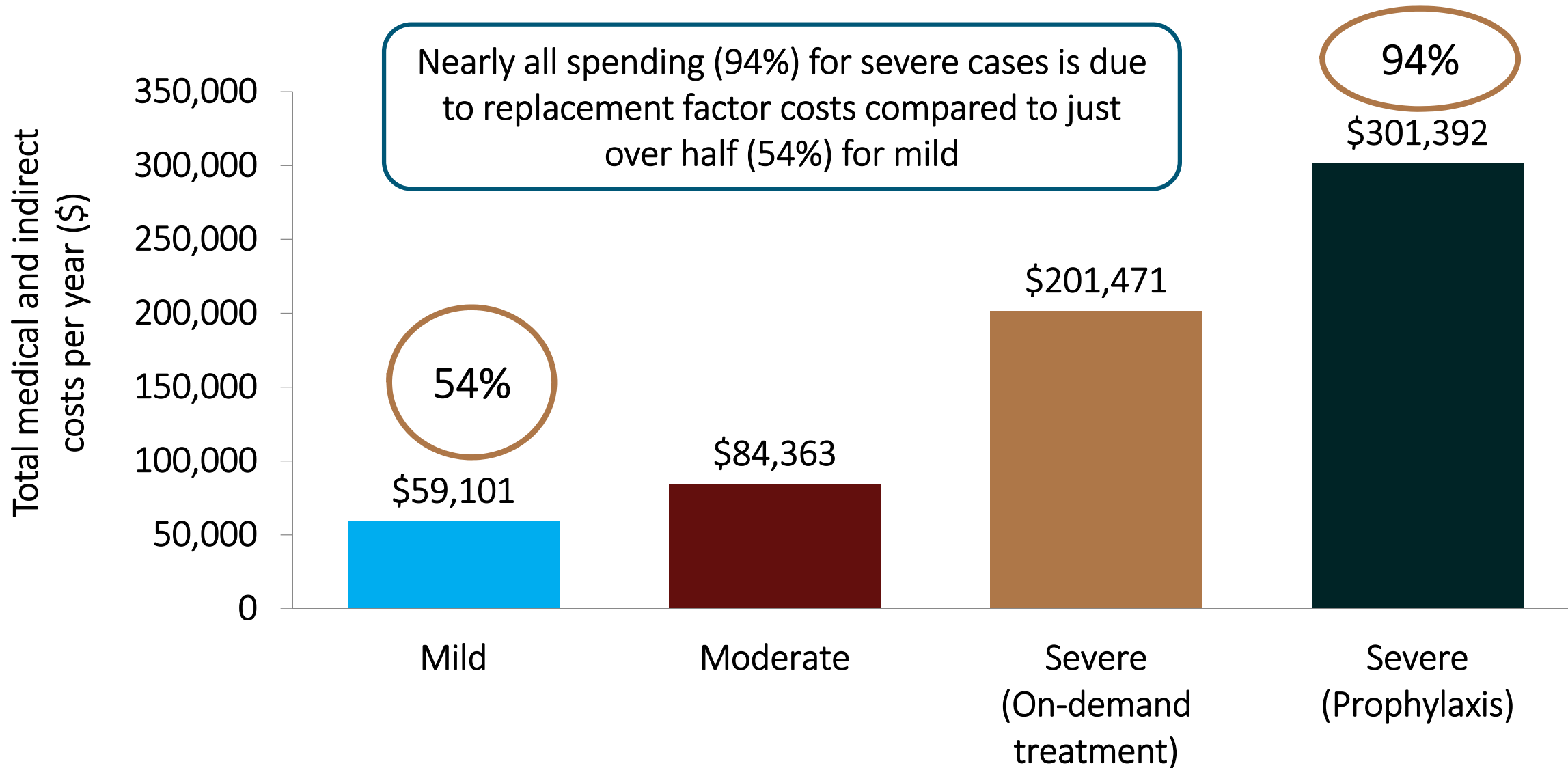
The top four drug categories remained the same

Bleeding Disorders

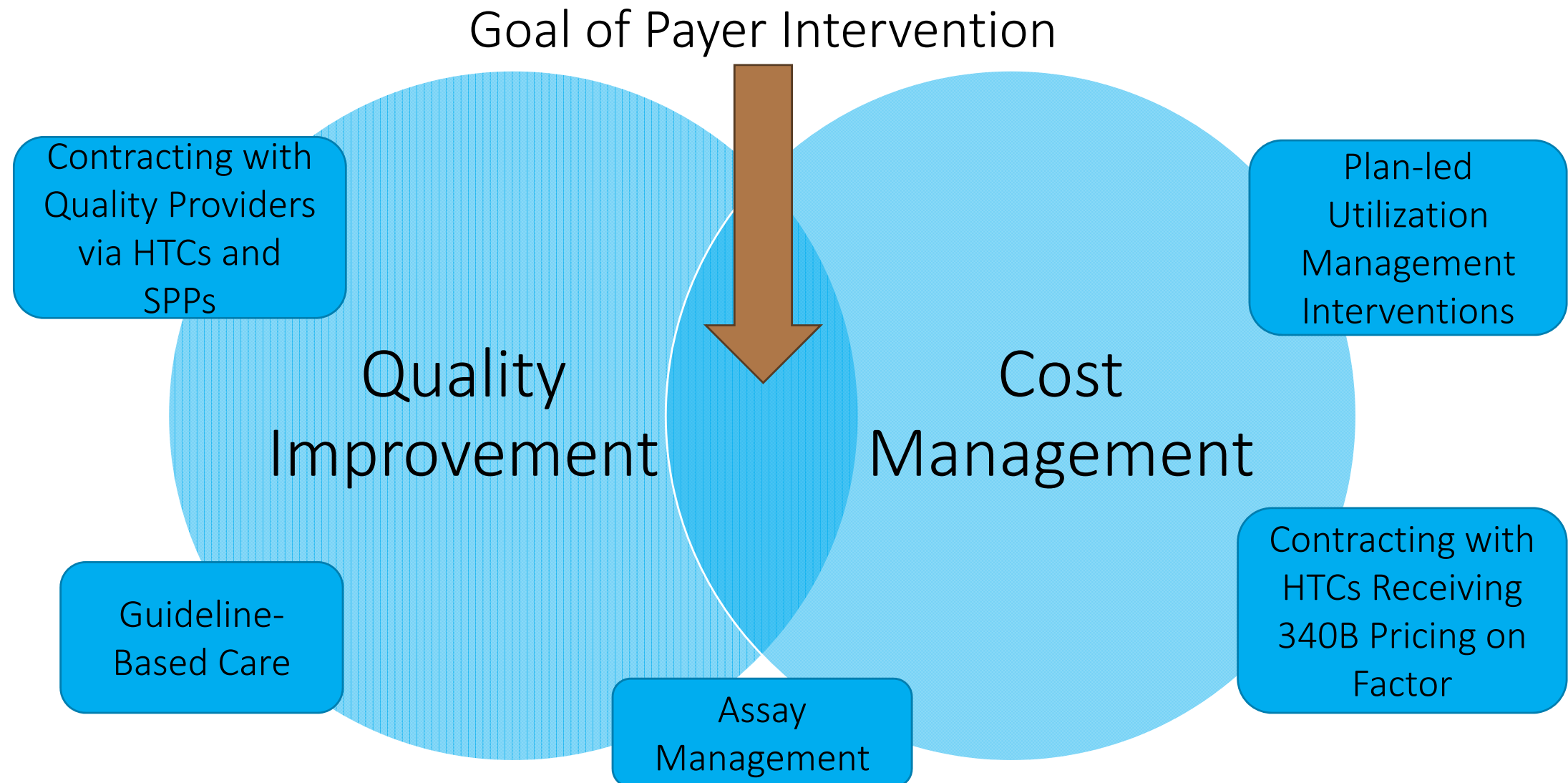
# Clotting Factor Replacement and Related Specialty Products Comprise a Vast Majority of Costs for Patients with Hemophilia



# Disease Severity and Treatment Approach Determines Factor Utilization



# Payer Management Interventions Seek to Improve Care Quality and Manage Costs

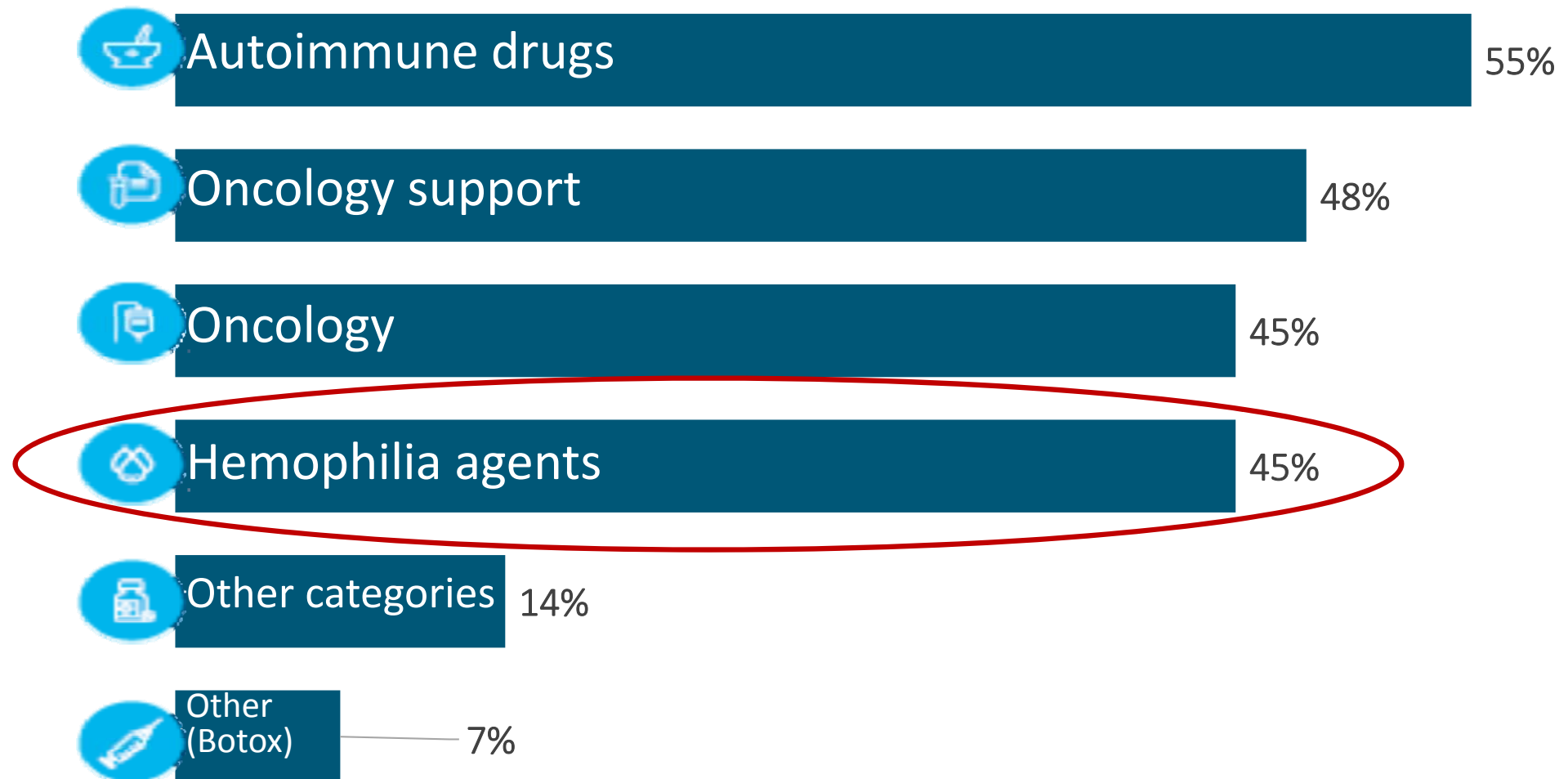


# Current Payer Approach to the Management of Hemophilia



- Current medical and pharmacy utilization controls often include prior authorization or pre-certification for therapies
  - Objectives:
    - Verify diagnosis
    - Ensure products and technologies are being used within labeling and best clinical practices
  - Goal:
    - Encourage appropriate care
- Case management services often are made available to
  - Minimize barriers to access
  - Improve quality of care
- Coordinate care with HTC's and SPPs

# Current Trends Among Purchasers: Prior Authorization

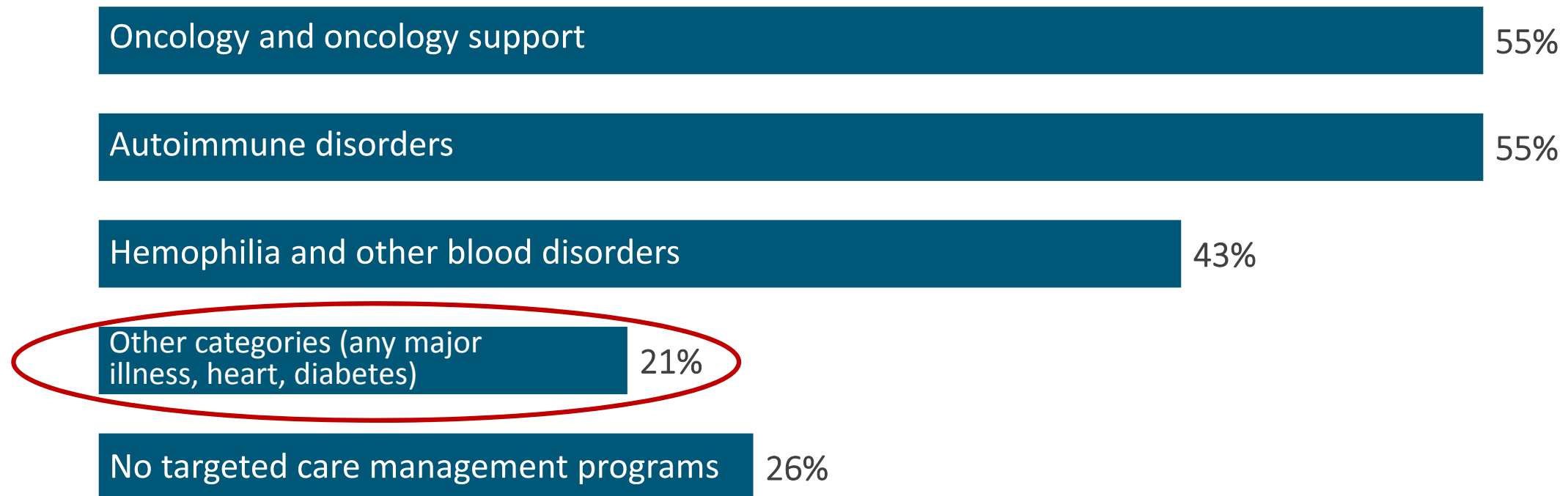




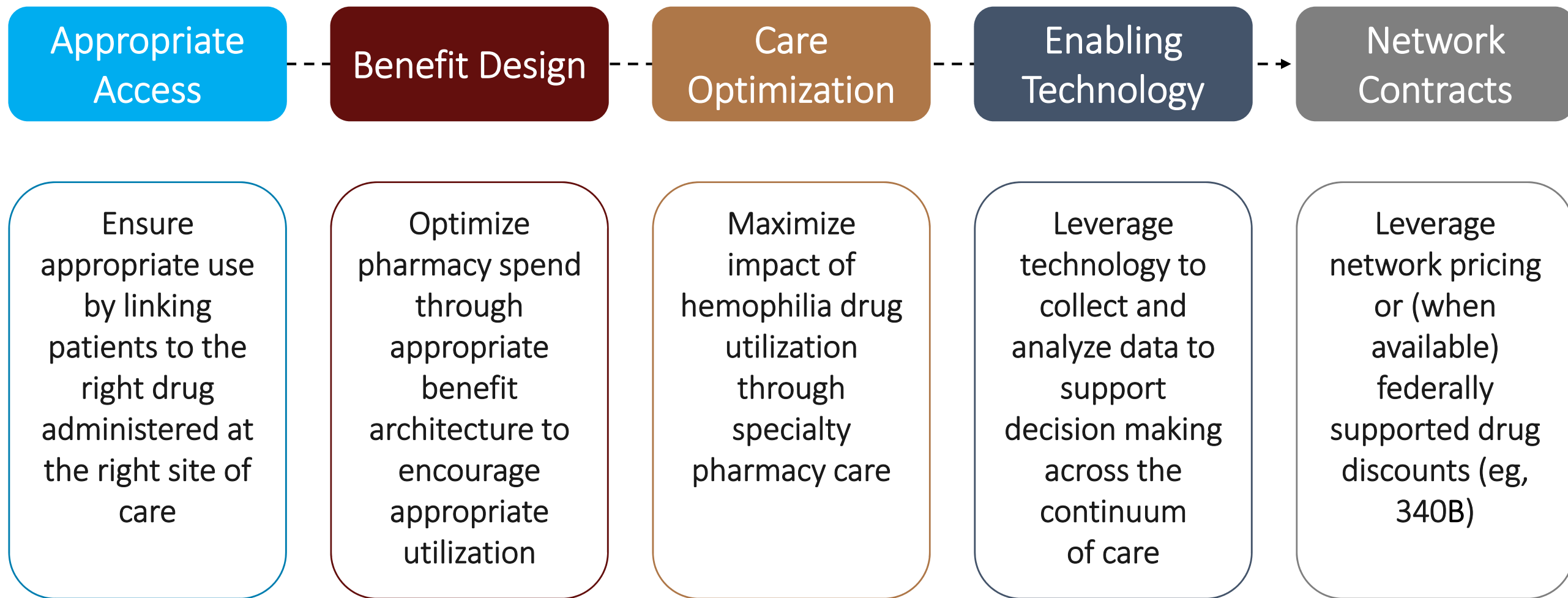
# Current Trends Among Purchasers: Care Management



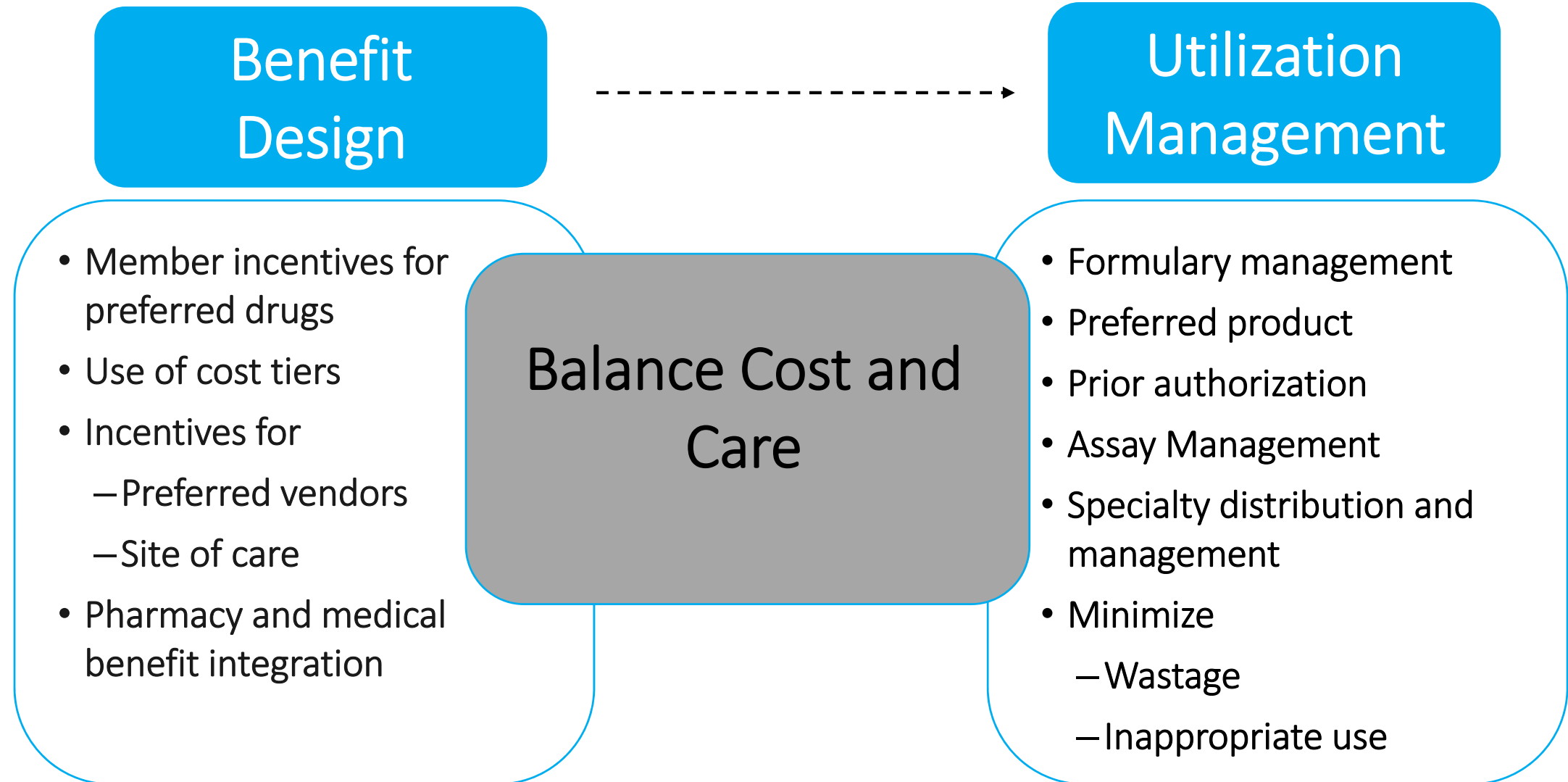
## 2017 Care Management Programs



# Strategies for Improving Outcomes While Managing Spend



# Management Principles



# Management Principles



## Appropriate Access

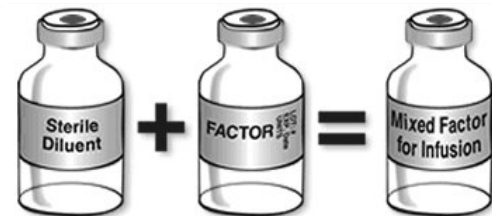
### Right Patient

- Described in treatment guidelines
- Supported by clinical trial evidence and/or clinical experience



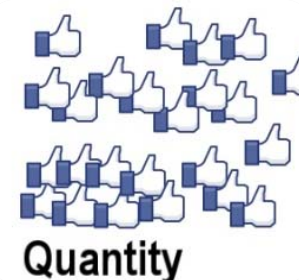
### Right Drug

- Labeled indication
- Included in treatment guidelines
- Effective, safe, well-tolerated
- Branded vs generic / biosimilar



### Right Quantity

- Proper vial size (single- vs multiple-dose)
- Appropriate dose (assay management)
- Limit wastage
- Avoid “dosage-creep”



### Right Site of Care

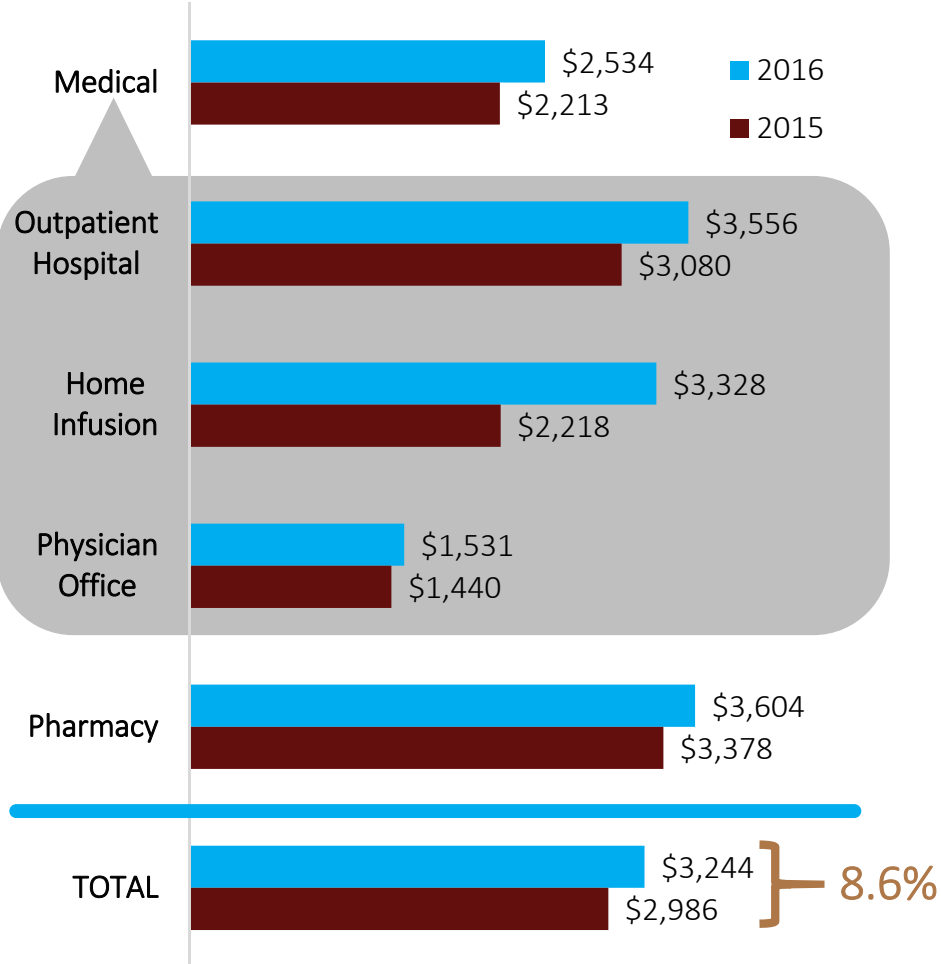
- In-patient
- Clinic
- Home healthcare
- Home; self-administered



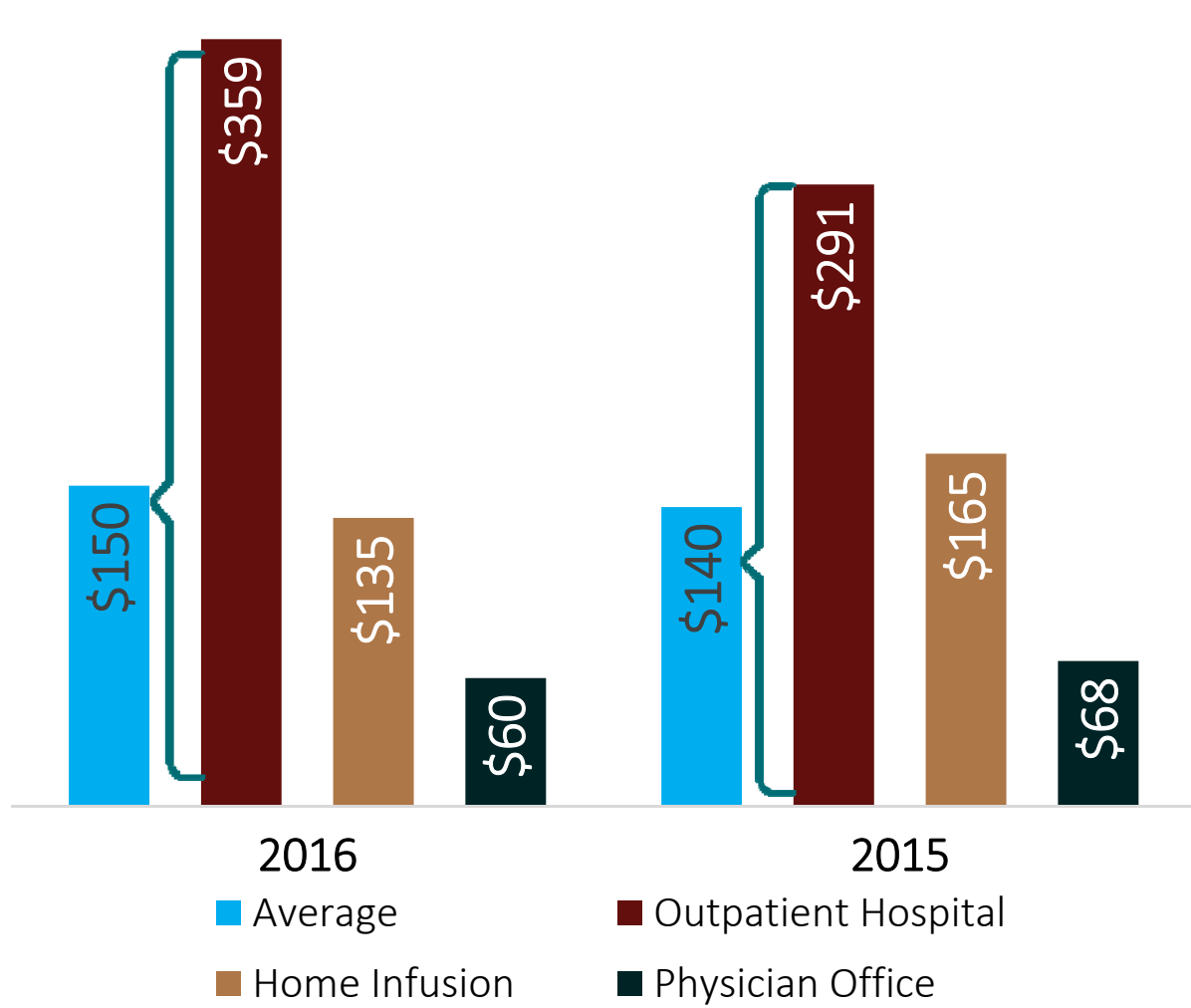
# Site of Care Initiatives are Founded on the Notion that Specific Administration Settings are Inherently Associated with Lower Costs



Average Specialty Drug Cost



Average Cost to Administer Specialty Drugs by Setting

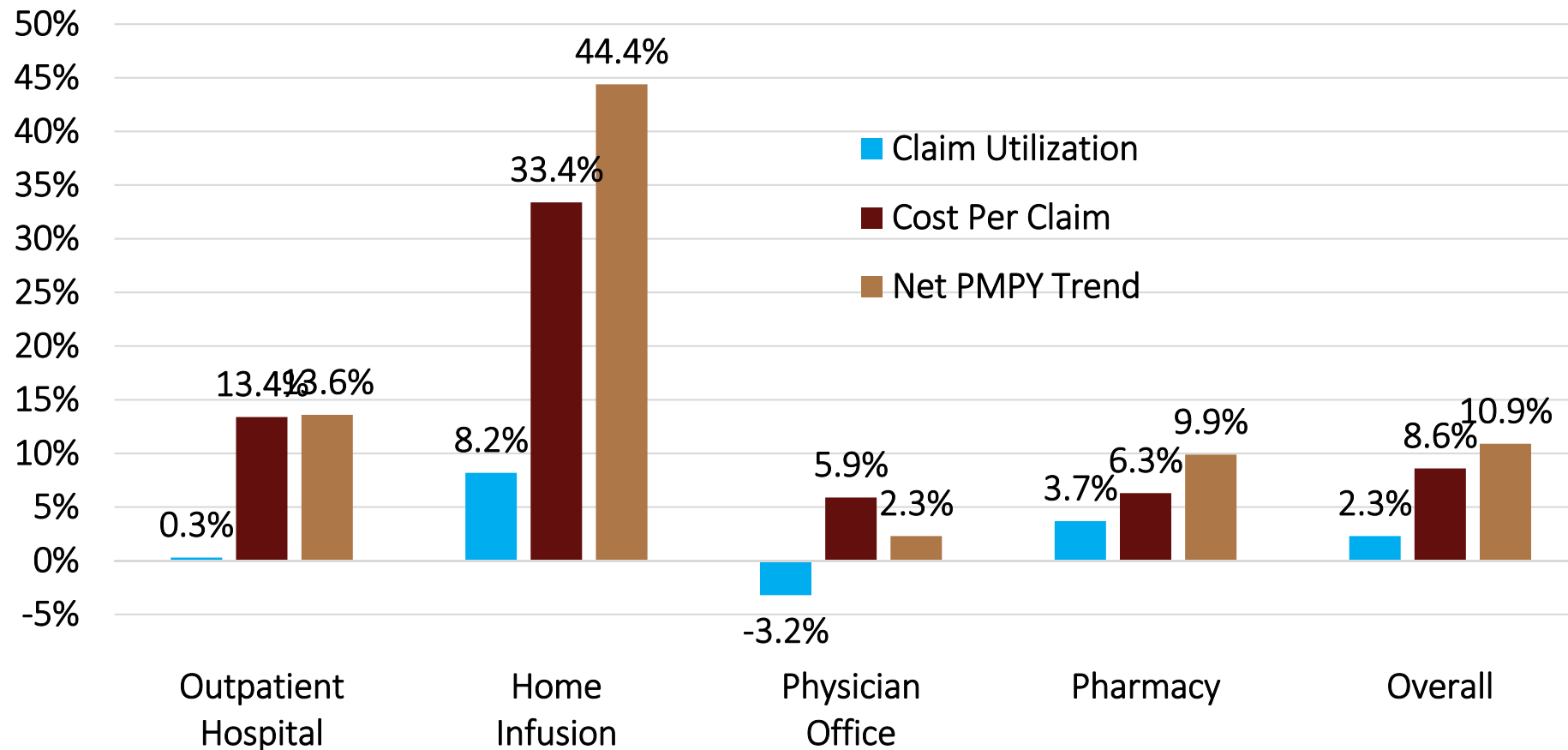


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## Specialty Trend



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# Contracting Approaches



## Drug

- Formulary positioning
  - Multiple specialty tiers
  - Closed formularies
  - Step therapy

## Provider

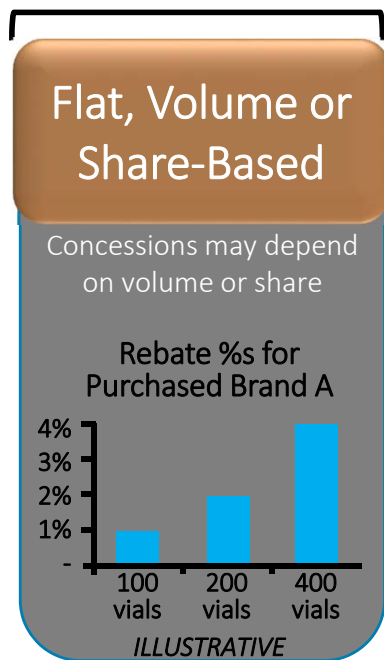
- Narrow networks
- Reimbursement issues
  - Role of the HTC and 340B pricing
- Accreditation
- Credentialing



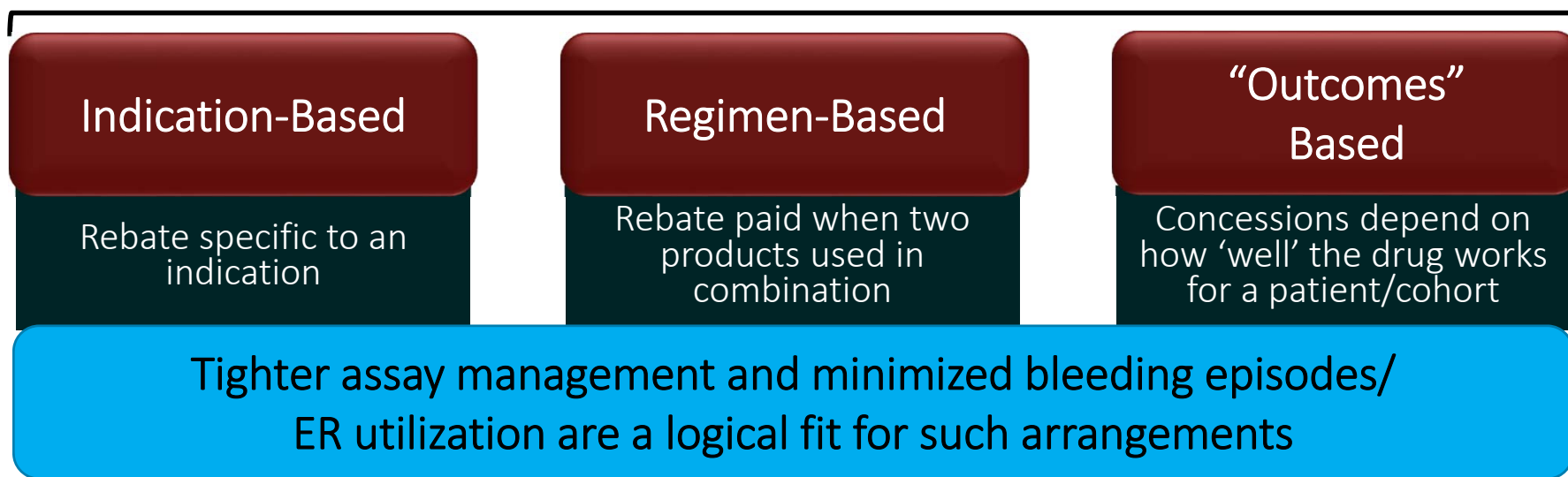
# Traditional vs. Value-based Contracting in Hemophilia



## Traditional Contracting



## Value-Based Contracting





# Summary

- The specialty drug trend is increasing and outpacing that of traditional drugs
- Although hemophilia features an extremely low prevalence, it has a noteworthy impact on the specialty trend
- Payer management interventions seek to balance cost and quality, while providing patient the access to the right drug in the right quantity and the right time
- Outside of utilization management, which remains among the most prevalent forms of payer intervention, care management, site of care initiatives, channel management, and contracting play a significant role
  - Multifaceted approaches to improving care quality and managing costs offer promise without compromising member access



# *Managed Care Case Study*

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# Background



- A beneficiary's dependent presented to the pediatrician's office shortly after birth with concerns regarding diffuse bruising and an apparent hematoma on his back
- Suspecting a bleeding disorder, the pediatrician referred the family to a pediatric hematologist within the health system in the rural area where the family lives
- The hematologist confirmed a diagnosis of severe hemophilia B

# Plan Intervention



- Upon identification of the hemophilia diagnosis in the system, a plan case manager reaches out to the family and suggests consultation with an HTC located 3 hours away from the member's home
- The family attends an initial comprehensive care visit at the HTC and is given a treatment plan that includes being trained on how to infuse prophylactic factor for the infant in the home setting
- After follow-up with the family, the case manager verifies that the plan's contracted specialty pharmacy will be able to deliver clotting factor concentrate within an assay management range of  $\pm 10\%$  and arranges for home delivery of the HTC-prescribed product

# Follow-up/Conclusion



- After being trained to infuse her son, the member has been administering prophylactic FIX with minimal bleeding episodes and complications
- The plan case manager follows up with the specialty pharmacy on a regular basis to ensure that the appropriate dose is being delivered to the family
- In turn, the specialty pharmacy also follows up with the family and is available with on-demand support under the guidance of the HTC to assist if the family has any questions
- The member brings her child, now 2 years of age, to the center for comprehensive care visits twice a year and has experienced a limited number of bleeding-related complications due to the collaborative efforts of the HTC, specialty pharmacy, and plan case manager

# Additional CE Opportunities



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