#### Effectively Increasing Patient Adherence as a 360 Degree Approach

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#### **Presenter Background**

- Founder & CEO, Intelecare Compliance Solutions, Inc.
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- Sales and marketing executive at Epocrates
- Founder of E-Health firm that developed and streamed patient education and professional CME videos
- Management consultant with boutique public policy firm

#### **Presentation Overview**

- Impact engagement, connectivity and retention
- Improve provider interaction and integration
- Support repeated positive behavioral changes
- Provide for flexible, scalable patient-centric solutions
- Drive sustainable results



# The percentage of Americans taking at least 1 prescription medication

Kaiser Family Foundation



## The percentage of Americans not taking medications as prescribed

DiMatteo MR.

Variations in patients' adherence to medical recommendations: A quantitative review of 50 years of research

### \$300 Billion

## The estimated annual cost to the healthcare system

DiMatteo MR.

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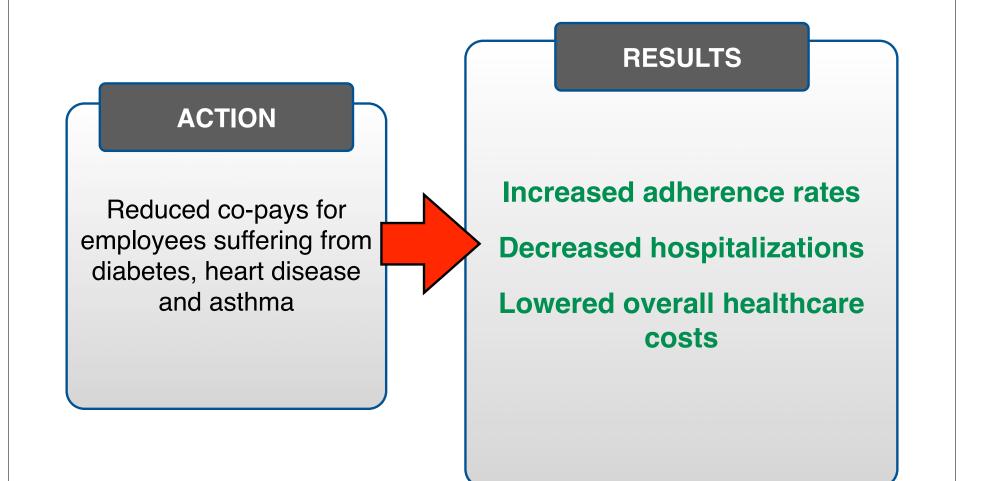
## The portion of hospitalizations directly linked to non-adherence

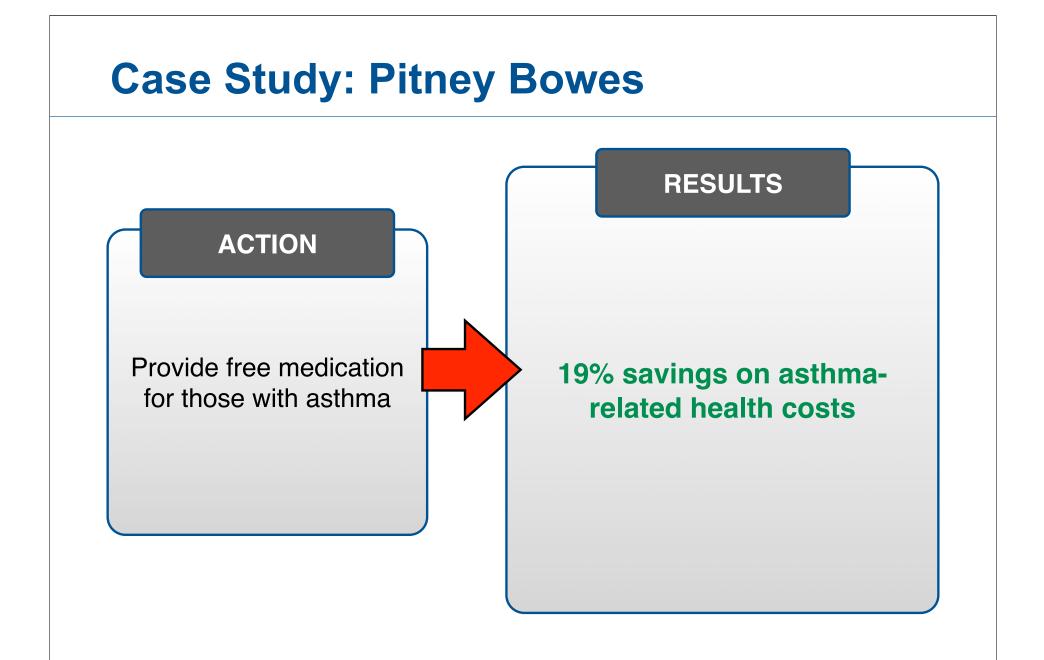
National Council on Patient Information and Education Enhancing Prescription Medicine Adherence: A National Action Plan

### **Lacking Engagement and Continuity**

- Indeed a problem of pandemic proportion
- Affects all chronic diseases and demographic profiles
- Hundreds of factors hypothesized over 30 years of research
- Few consistent generalizations
- Fewer interventions yielding viable results to date
- Too many over-thinking/over-complicating the solutions

#### **Case Study: Marriott**

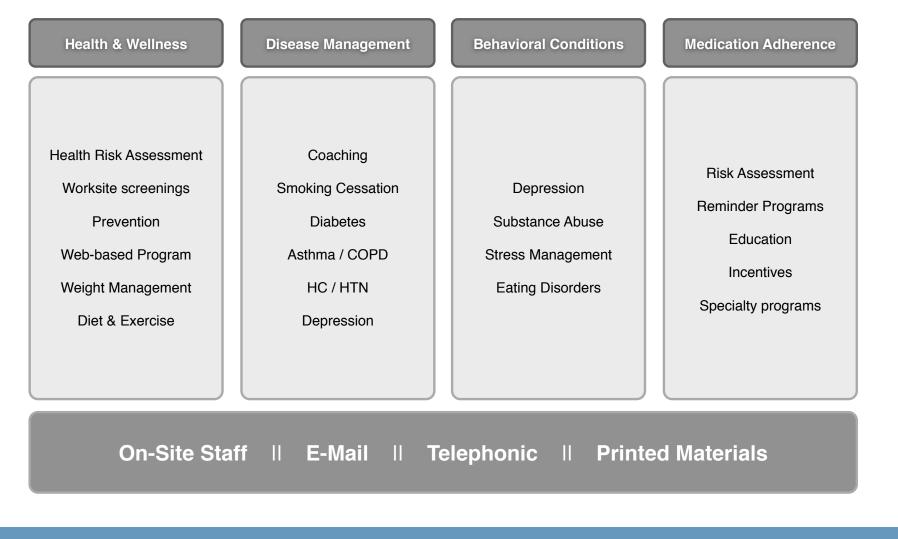






Question 1 - Let's Get S	Started!	
risk for health conditions such a Height	ft in	ex (BMI), a number that represents your d hypertension. Calculate my BMI
Weight	lbs	▶ Calculate my BMI

#### **A Modicum of Personalization**



### **A Failed Strategy**

- One-size-fits-all approach doesn't even work for baseball hats
- Approximately 160 million patients with unique needs
- Postal mail medication and appointment reminders are already late
- Refill-only email and postal mail capabilities lack broad appeal
  - If patients are not compliant on a daily basis, the refill is moot
- Switching medications at patient request
- Programs with "single-source" business rules lack efficacy

#### **Today's Patients and Caregivers**

- Like today's recommended approach, no longer can we see patients as silos if we want to make a bona-fide impact
  - "Sandwich Generation" totals 50 Million thus, mobile communications are key
  - Socio-economic hardships leading to increased behavioral health issues; behavior compounds difficulty in maximizing adherence programs
- To increase engagement, the offer must resonate on a more parochial level
- To retain active participation, incentives should continue for the duration of the program
- Adherence for asymptomatic conditions being fundamentally ignored



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## The percentage of prescriptions that were never filled in 2007

Wilson Rx and Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmacy Satisfaction Digest 2007



# Number of heart attack victims that stop taking medication after 1 month

Wilson Rx and Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmacy Satisfaction Digest 2007

#### **Provider Interaction Must Be Improved**

#### • Logical and there is applicability/adaptability, but not practical today

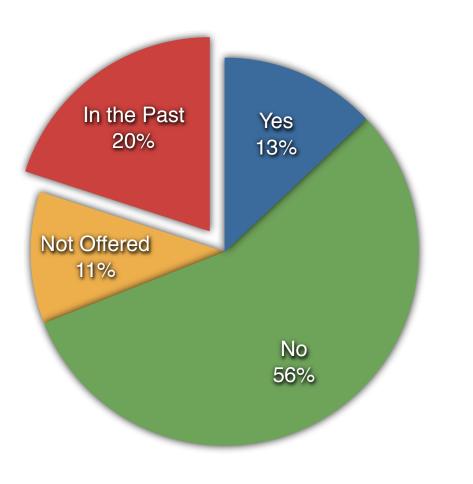
- Data shows that physicians do not want to be involved in non-clinical tasks
- Providers spend, on average, 3.2 minutes discussing medications with patients
- 38% do not know why they are taking a particular medication
- Provider automation may curb reluctance to engage
  - Appointment reminders
  - Bi-directional communication
  - All integrated into main systems architecture for continuity



#### Active Subscriber Survey, May 2008

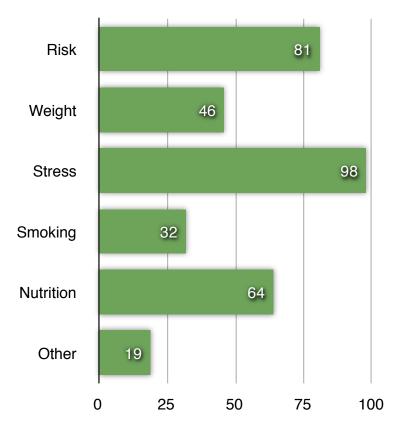
- Email based survey sent to individuals with at least one (1) active reminder in the system
- Active is defined as a reminder that is scheduled to be sent in the next 30 days
- Respondents: 879
- Proportional to population distribution

- Do you currently use any health or wellness resources provided by your employer or insurance provider?
  - Yes
  - No
  - Nothing Offered
  - Not Currently, But I have in the Past



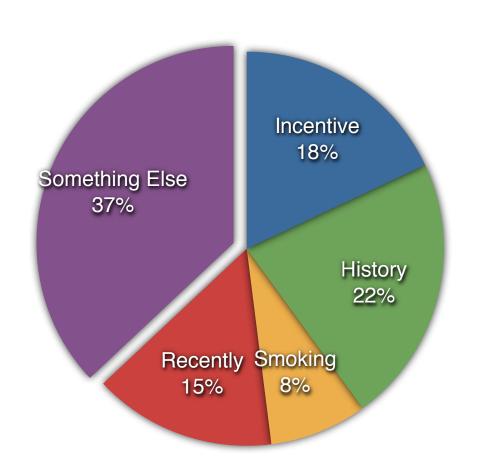
N = 879 May, 2008

- (If Yes to #1) Please tell us which of the following services/ program offerings you are currently participating in:
  - Health Risk Assessment
  - Weight Management
  - Stress Management
  - Smoking Cessation
  - Nutrition/Diet/Exercise
  - Other disease management program offerings



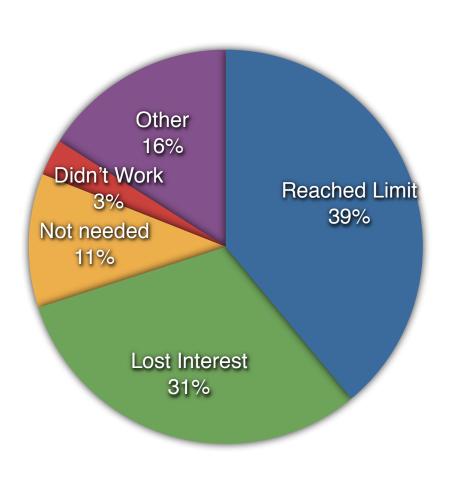
N = 114 May, 2008

- 3. (If <u>ever</u> active) What is the main reason you decided to participate (open ended question; top 5):
  - Incentive was offered
  - History of medical condition in family / Promote better health
  - Wanted to stop smoking
  - Recently diagnosed
  - Something else to do at work



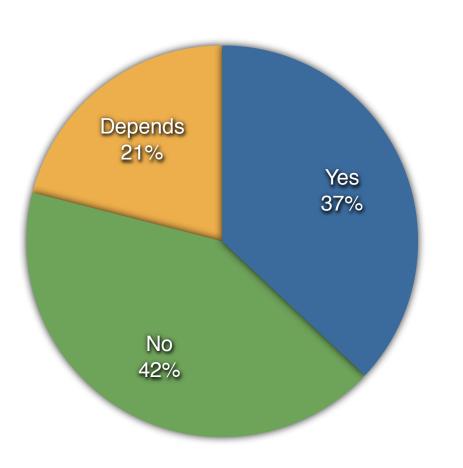
N = 290 May, 2008

- 4. (If <u>ever</u> active) What is the main reason you stopped participating in health and wellness programs?
  - Reached the incentive limit
  - Lost interest
  - Didn't need service any more / Got better
  - Didn't work
  - Other



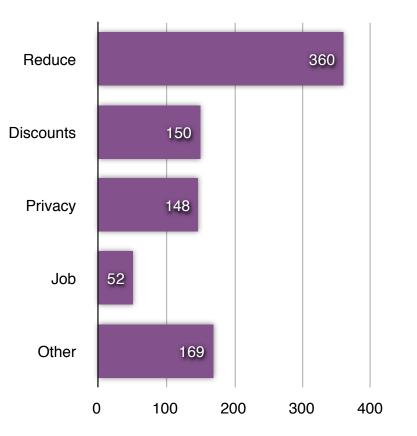


- 5. Would it impact your decision to participate in a program if a pharmaceutical company sponsored the program for your employer/insurer?
  - Yes
  - No
  - Don't Know / Unsure



N = 879 May, 2008

- 6. What can your employer or insurance carrier provide for you to participate in its health and wellness program indefinitely?
  - Reduce my health insurance premium (41%)
  - Discounts on medications (19%)
  - Privacy (19%)
  - Job security
  - Other



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#### **Demographic Profile v. Respondents**

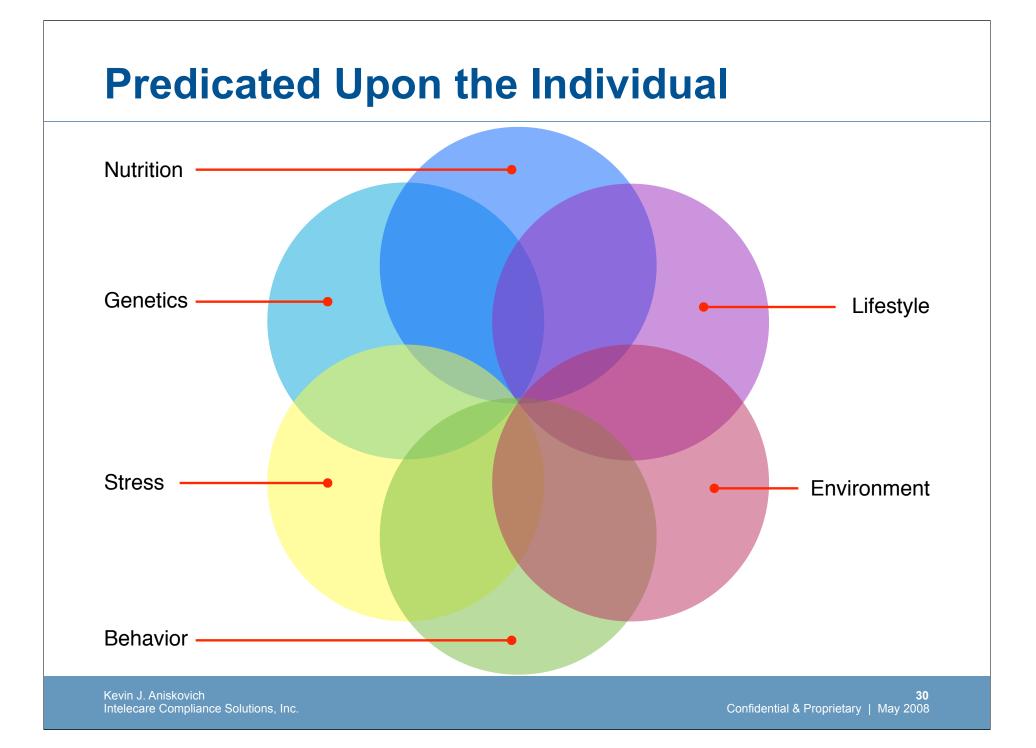
Gender		Survey
Male	43%	41%
Female	57%	59%
Ethnicity		
African American	11%	7%
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	0%	-
Asian, Pacific Islander	2%	-
Caucasian	86%	93%
Hispanic	1%	-
Active Reminder Splits		
Email	87%	84%
SMS	11%	14%
Voice	2%	2%
Patients with 2 or more Reminders	73%	69%

Age Profile		Survey
Average Age	44	41
18 - 24	3%	-
25 - 35	19%	21%
36 - 45	37%	44%
46 - 55	29%	26%
55 and older	12%	9%

### **Adherence 2.0**

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### The 360° Approach

- Multi-prong / Multidisciplinary approach
  - Diverse communication channels
- Advent of "Smart" business rules engine that allows for patientdriven customization
  - Content creation (Comorbidity "bundles")
  - Incentive structure based on individual profiles
- Leverage third party vendor competencies
  - Continual product development keeps programs fresh
- Opt-In by offering, not program
- Simplify offerings (promote utilization, not RM program)

#### Solution "Selling"

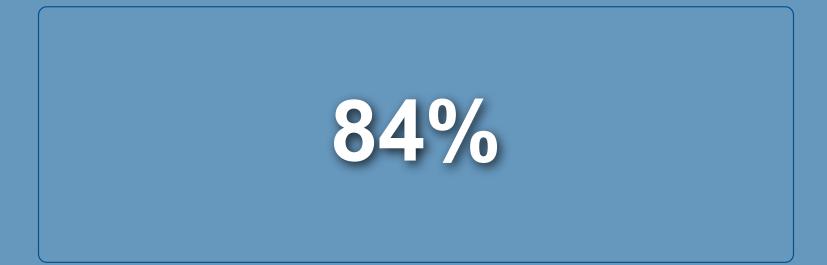
- We all need to sell the program up the chain of command
- You then have to sell any program to your users
- It must be practical, not (just) cool (for the user AND the company)
  - Careful of interactive agencies
- Flexible
- Scalable
- Dependable
- Already part of their daily lives resist desire to make end user learn anything new

### **Determining Your Primary End Point**

- Ask yourself this question what do you want to accomplish with an integrated health and wellness program?
  - if it's as benign as "increase adherence," keep thinking...
- Do you want them to utilize the service for X-number of months or do you want them to just opt-in so you can send them information?
- Do you want this program to be highly utilized across the spectrum of consumers, or just among those in high risk categories

#### **Engagement and Continuity**

- Adequately engaging a diverse population requires an equally diverse amount of offerings
  - Culturally sensitive
  - Content unique to their patient, not just on a condition by condition basis
- Reminder programs need to be broader notification and communication programs
  - Communication preferences set by the patient
  - Adherence begins on a daily basis
  - Drive incentives and information with reminders
  - On Demand system should be mobile, telephonic and web-based



### Patients who cite forgetfulness as the reason they are non-adherent.

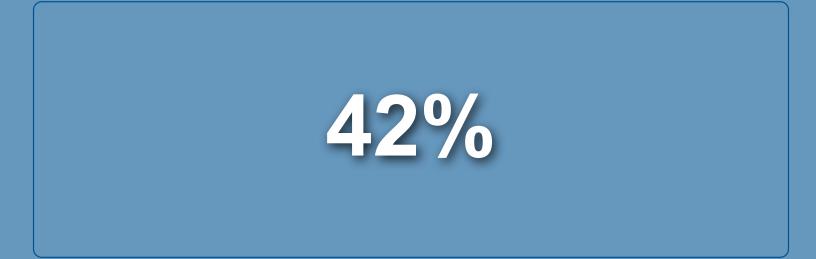
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#### **Integrated Notification Solutions**

- Notification platform should be augment, not supplant
- Communication should drive content, not just reminders
- Bi-directional communication imperative
- Maximize utilization with:
  - Email
  - SMS
  - Voice
  - Native device applications (mobile)
  - Desktop widgets/gadgets

### **Comprehensive Notification System**

- Notification system should be seamlessly integrated into existing web properties
  - Includes Email, SMS and Voice reminders to ensure coverage
  - Private label to reinforce brand and increase loyalty
- Have option for Hosted or Enterprise level integrations
- Breadth of reminder types (daily, refill, appointment, vitals)
  - Reinforces persistency with each reminder
- Features should be able to be fully customized
- Option of back-end management by vendor
- Flat-fee pricing for (at least) hosted solutions



## Percentage of consumers that have used their mobile phone for SMS

Forrester Research, Inc. North American Technographics Technology, Media and Marketing Benchmark Survey, 2007



## Percentage of consumers that have used their mobile phone for MMS

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#### **Positive Behavioral Drives Adherence**

- Positive behavioral change can not be achieved with one program
- An integrated approach is required to provide various solutions that resonate with a diverse participant base
- Integrate with existing tactics that have demonstrable outcomes
- Ensure privacy
- Specific Family Caregiving solution
- Make adherence practical/realistic Reward Success
  - Manageable milestones and reward once achieved

#### Anatomy of a Successful Program

- Start NOW, amend later
- Outsource when possible
  - IT doesn't have the bandwidth they think they do
- Diversify adherence offerings
  - Integrate into existing wellness offerings; Its easier than you think
- Scrap pilot program all the work is upfront; accelerate growth
- Incent today / Incent tomorrow
- Reinforce privacy and advocacy

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