

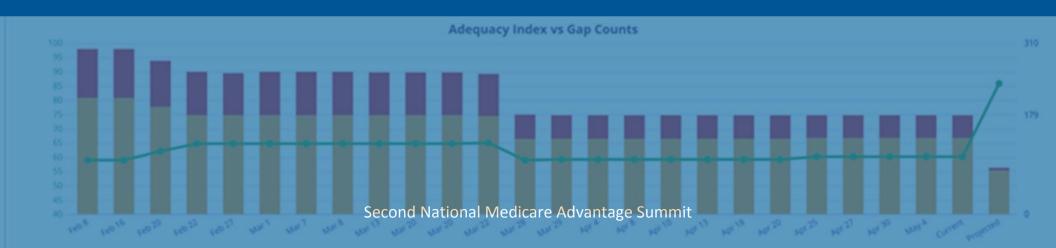


# **Data Driven**

Regulatory Requirements & High Value Networks

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## **Today's Challenges**

#### **HEALTH PLAN**



- Ongoing compliance monitoring against the same standards as CMS
- Ongoing, timely processes for validation, verification and updating provider data
- Integration with internal process for directories listing (consumer/regulator)
- Lack of effectiveness of existing sources of provider data
- Desire to drive members to high value providers without violating member rights or regulatory standards.

#### **REGULATOR**



- Provider networks are narrowing and tiering
- Unflattering media attention
- Researchers are documenting narrowing
- Advocates are forwarding access issues

#### **CONSUMER**



Inaccuracies on key patient's needs

- Insurance accepted
- · Contact information and location
- · Accepting new patients
- Appropriate specialties

CMS will use directories to help determine whether insurers have enough doctors to meet beneficiaries' needs.

# The Result: The Stakes are Rising

- Now: Adequacy Are there enough providers?
- Now: Accuracy Are consumers correctly informed of their providers?
- Coming: Comparative How do networks look vs. each other?
- Coming: Stability Are networks fluctuating unusually?

NOTE TO: Medicare Advantage Organizations, Prescription Drug Plan Sponsors, and Other Interested Parties

#### Announcement of Calendar Year (C Medicare Advantage and Part D Pay

CMS received many submissions in re-Advance Notice, published on Decemb Letter, published on February 1, 2018. organizations, Medicare Advantage (M agencies, pharmaceutical manufacturer citizens. In response to the comments Organizations and Part D Plan Sponsor approaches for providing Medicare ber expects the additional flexibility will re Medicare beneficiaries. CMS is comm transforming the MA and Part D progra beneficiary choice, and is looking forw goals.

#### **Enforcement Actions for Provider Directories**

As reiterated in the 2019 draft Call Letter, CMPs and other enforcement actions may be and Call Letter that reflect CMS's cont imposed against MAOs that have received a compliance notice or notices for violations that have gone uncorrected. In addition, CMS (similar to other government agencies with enforcement authority) has the discretion to take enforcement actions when egregious instances of noncompliance are discovered.

## **CMS Has Embraced Automated Solutions**

Network Adequacy	Directory Accuracy
Automated HSD review with manual exceptions process	Auditing directory accuracy
Migrating to enterprise-wide audit activity	Machine readable directories previously recommended

#### **Automated Solution Revolution**

# **Automated Network Adequacy System Permits:**

- Using the same standards as your regulator
- Checking network adequacy in real time throughout the year
- Using a master provider list to focus provider outreach on the providers you need most
- Having an empirical exception argument ready when a standard cannot be met

# **Automated Network Accuracy Solution Permits:**

- Linking Adequacy to Accuracy to help ensure Access to care
- Combining Data Science with Primary Source Validation
- Integrating accurate data into your existing workflow and data management system
- Trending your improvement over time to show commitment to fixing the problems

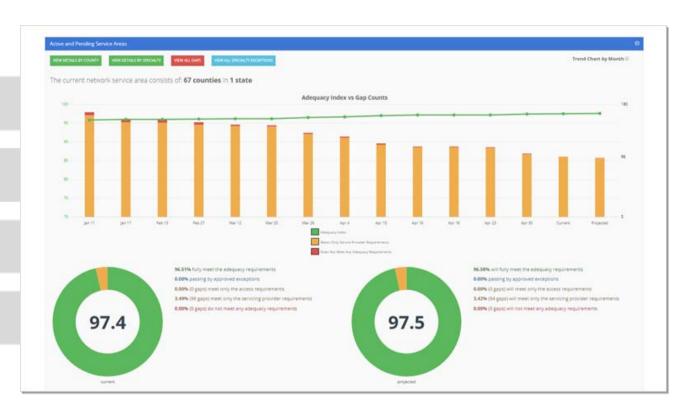
# **Ongoing Monitoring**

**Adequacy Index** 

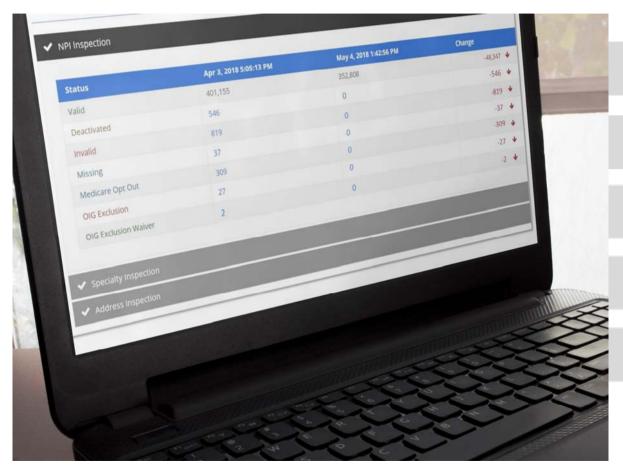
**Adequacy Trending** 

**Gap Trending** 

**Adequacy Market Comparison** 



# **Data Inspection Index Trending**



**NPI Inspection** 

**Suspect Specialty Inspection** 

**Suspect Location Inspection** 

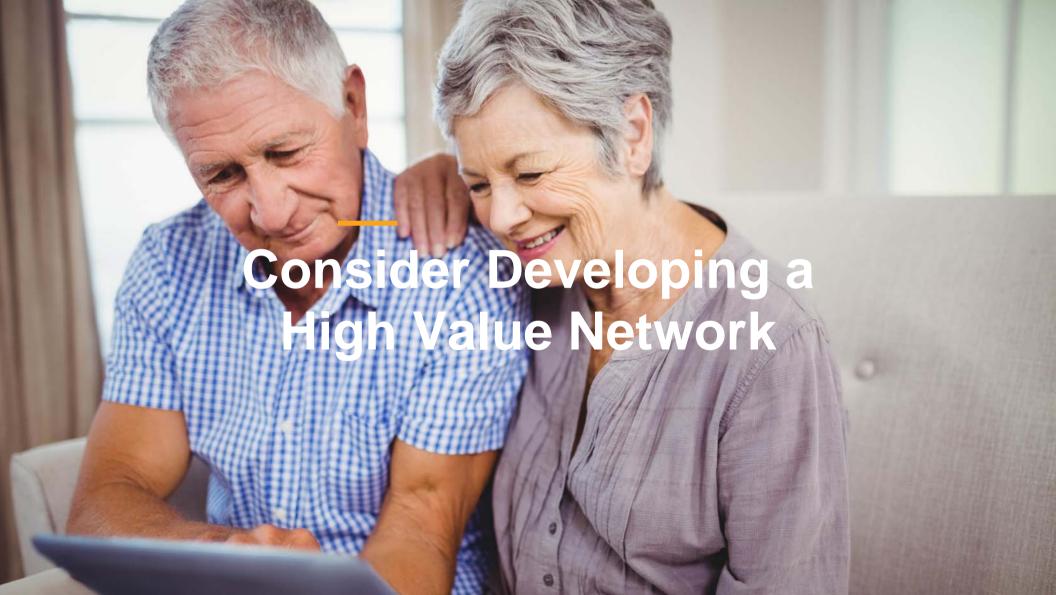
**Medicare Opt-Out Inspection** 

**OIG Inspection** 



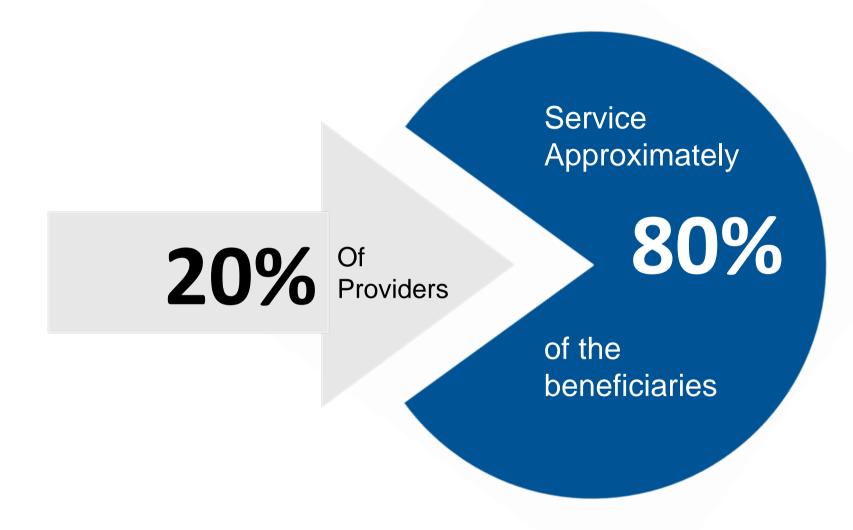
# Leveraging an Automated Solution:

- •An enterprise solution provides utmost transparency on current network footprint and how it trends over time
- •Encourages cohesion across the organization
- Bridges gaps between various departments and compliance
- Reduces risk and prevents surprise



## Do You Know How Your Network Compares to the Market?

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	Code 🔺	Specialty	With %	Without %	Avg Dist	Avg Time	Met	Required	In County	Servicing	Met	Met	Gap Age	Access %	In County	Servicing	Market %	Impact
	034	Vascular Surgery	100.0	0.0	15.8	17.3	Υ	1	2	5	Υ	Υ		100.0	5	96	5.2	
	035	Cardiothoracic Surgery	100.0	0.0	16.5	18.1	Υ	1	0	15	Υ	Υ		100.0	2	36	41.7	
	040	Acute Inpatient Hospitals	99.6	0.4	9.9	10.8	Υ	75	2	1,531	Y	Υ		100.0	51	1,953	78.4	
	041	Cardiac Surgery Program	75.6	24.4	31.2	37.5	N	1	0	3	Υ	N	91	100.0	0	6	50.0	•
	042	Cardiac Catheterization Services	75.6	24.4	31.2	37.5	N	1	0	5	Υ	N	91	100.0	2	15	33.3	•
	043	Critical Care Services – Intensive Care Units (ICU)	49.8	50.2	31.2	37.5	N	1	0	7	Υ	N	91	100.0	2	16	43.8	•
	044	Outpatient Dialysis	88.0	12.0	15.7	17.1	N	1	1	15	Υ	N	91	100.0	3	23	65.2	•
	045	Surgical Services (Outpatient or ASC)	49.8	50.2	31.2	37.5	N	1	0	7	Υ	N	91	100.0	3	43	16.3	•
	046	Skilled Nursing Facilities	99.4	0.6	9.4	10.3	Υ	1	6	-21	Y	Y		100.0	14	81	25.9	



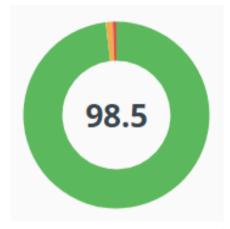
# Drop Low Volume Producers — Still Serve Your Members

## Your Full Network



3,830 unique providers 1,528 unique locations

# **Your Optimized Network**



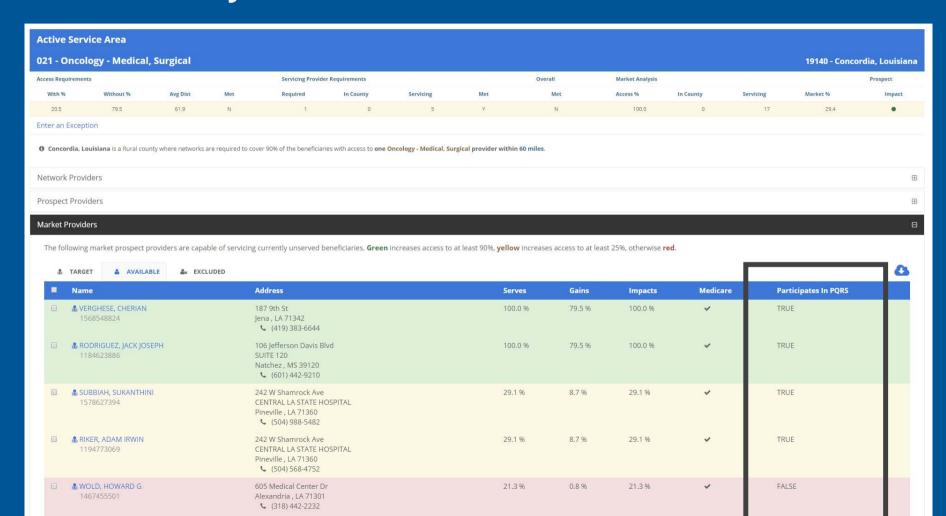
838 unique providers 650 unique locations



## Who Would You Rather Have in Your Network?

Provider Name	Specialty	<b>Total Paid</b>	<b>Benes Served</b>
John P. Jones, MD	Primary Care	\$475,716	744
Melody M. Rodriguez, MD	Primary Care	\$1,473	22
Susan L. Sitka, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	\$21,845,794	3,810
Frank K. Elorana, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	\$438	11
Melissa S. Gomez, MD	Ophthalmology	\$6,145,551	2,708
Juan P. Rodriguez	Ophthalmology	\$4,390	58

# **Another Way to Prioritize Providers — PQRS**



## Focus Resources, Save Time, Reallocate Budget Dollars

**One Example: Primary Source Validation** 

Required: Quarterly

Cost: Up to \$10-\$40 per provider/per quarter

Network Providers	Cost Per Provider	Frequency a Year	<b>Total Cost</b>			
3,830	\$10-\$40	4	\$153,200 - \$612,800			
838	\$10-\$40	4	\$33,520 - \$134,080			
		TOTAL SAVINGS	· \$119 680 - \$478 720			

### **Thank You: Q&A**



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#### Quest Cloud Services™

As the industry continues to focus around Network Adequacy concerns, continuity of care and access to selected providers, it becomes increasingly important for plans to have tools in place to measure, monitor, trend and compare their networks across all product lines. The Quest Cloud Services™ is a proven automated solution used by 300+ health, dental, vision and pharmacy plans to help ensure the Adequacy and Accuracy of their networks.

