

## Incentive Payments and Public Reporting

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### **BTE Program Fundamentals**

Pay rewards AFTER physicians have demonstrated high performance

Encourage employees to seek better performers; create incentives for better self-care

Pick performance measures that change practice patterns and yield better, safer care

**Keep pushing for tougher standards** 

Keep demanding complete accountability for use of resources and delivery of outcomes



### **Incentive Program Design & Methods**

Shared Savings Model – Pilot markets - Rewards are up to \$100 for each diabetic (DCL) or up to \$160 for cardiac (CCL) patient, and \$50 for each patient (POL)

Physicians can earn up to \$20,000 annually, \$50,000 over the program timeframe

Physician rewards are based on the count of participating employers' patients identified from health plan claims data

In the pilot markets - qualified physician applicants are reimbursed for NCQA application fees they paid in application process

Administrators consolidate payments from employers and sends single reward / reimbursement check to each physician.



# The rewards are designed to encourage adoption AND use of better systems

#### **5-PCP Practice with 1000 patients covered by the program:**

- 3.5% are diabetic patients
- 2.5% are cardiac patients

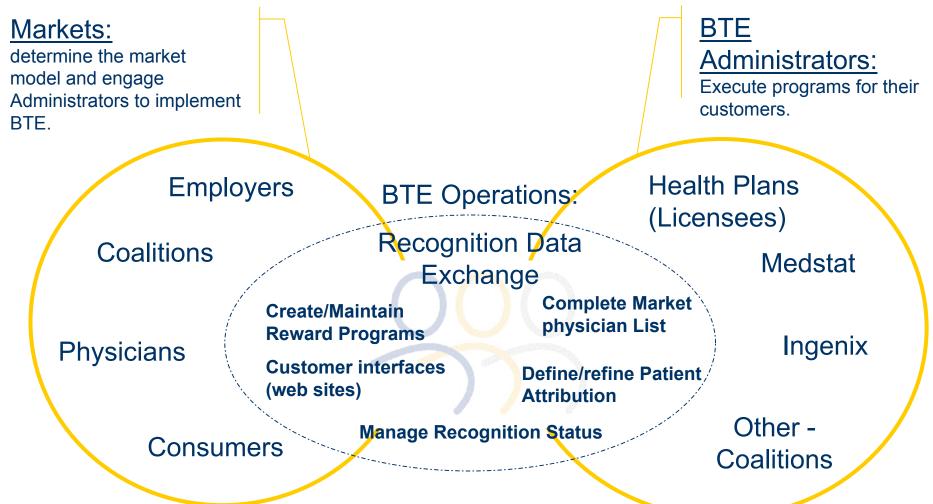
#### Assume practice meets maximum performance goals

#### **Practice receives total of \$54,800:**

- \$40 \* 1000 = \$40,000 for meeting system measures (PPC)
- \$80 \* 60 + \$10 \* 1000 = \$14,800 for meeting clinical measures

## Purchaser is motivated since patients will be healthier and cost less

# P4P Infrastructure has evolved for long term sustainability



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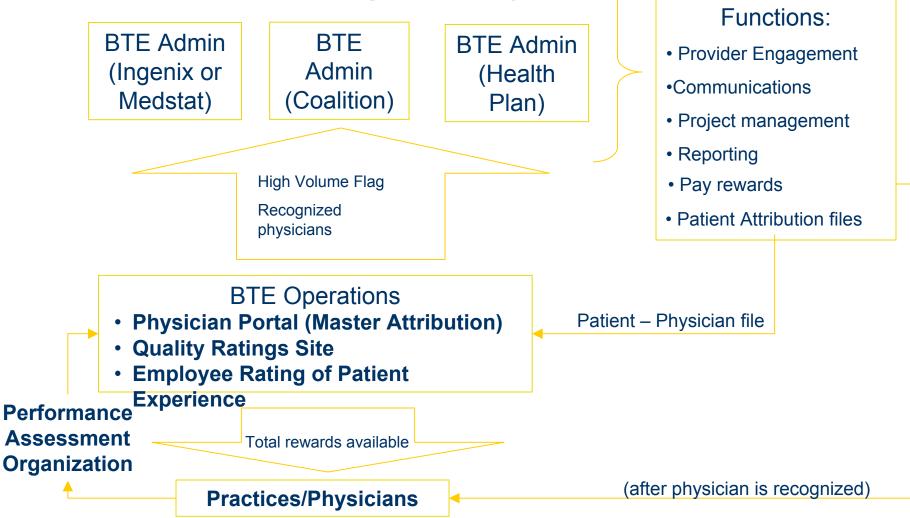
# The BTE Recognition Data Exchange enables key Program features

 Provides master patient attribution for all physicians in a region – the only way for physicians to gauge total reward potential

#### Recognition data intake & output

- Physician-Practice Portal: Only way for practices to participate in POL
- All Assessment Organizations (NCQA, QIOs, ABIM) feed data to BTE to match up to Master Physician List
- Consumer Portal: The Physician Quality Ratings site provides all employers with a complete view of physician and practice recognition status and engages consumers in filling out a patient experience of care survey

### BTE Administrators manage the program for Participating Employers BTE Admin



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# Consumers are engaged through our report card web site

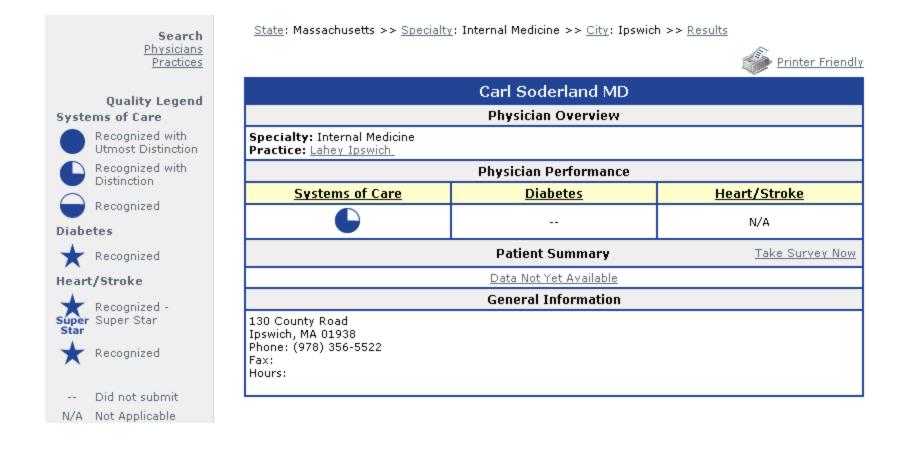
- High-level roll-up of physician's overall performance
- Distinguishes relative performance of physicians within each level



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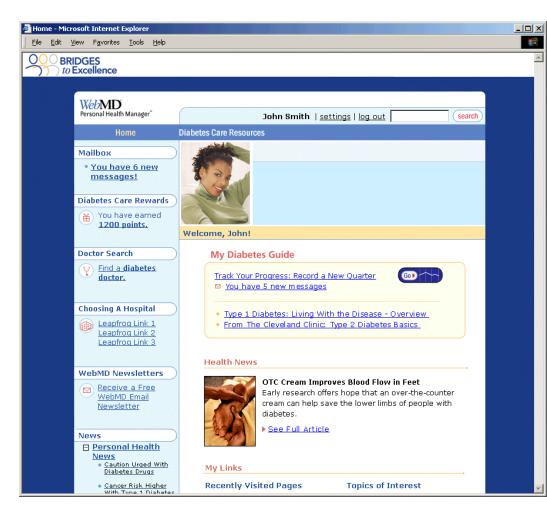
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# Effectiveness results come from NCQA, & patient experience of care from employees





### Diabetes Patients can also be engaged through WebMD



#### Four-step process

- Create a profile to establish baseline
- Use CareGuide with doctor to set long term goals
- Use CareJournal to track progress
- Earn CareRewards by answering the self-care questions



### **Major Lessons in P4P**

Meaningful incentives – 5% to 10% of physician revenue ~ \$10K to \$15K per physician...cash is especially important for PCPs

Independent review of performance (i.e. NCQA), and panel-wide sampling

Standard and recognized measures that are attainable

Consumer engagement when holding physicians accountable for outcomes

## Predictable costs & benefits, and timely rewards

Small practices need lots of help in reengineering and there are not many resources available

Single disease focus limits program uptake among PCPs

Recognized docs are happy to get more patients, even w/ a chronic condition

You need a pull (bonus) and a push (steerage) to maximize results

Organized groups required smaller per physician bonuses to get engaged