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Correspondence Memorandum

Date: July 25, 2019
To: Group Insurance Board
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Subject: Data Warehouse Dashboard

This memo is for informational purposes only. No Group Insurance Board (Board) action is required.

This memorandum provides the Board with the quarterly dashboard and highlights. The previous quarter's dashboards and highlights can be found in the meeting materials from the May 2019 Board meeting ([GIB | 5.15.19 | 13K](#)).

Dashboard Data

The dashboards include data for health care services rendered from March 2018 to February 2019 (*current period*) compared to services rendered from March 2017 to February 2018 (*previous period*). The reported data includes payments through June 2019. The four months between the latest rendered services reported and the most recent paid period allows for a completion of all transactions associated with the reporting period.

Notable Dashboard Highlights

- **Continued increase in the Total Net Payment.**
 - The Year Over Year (YoY) Total Net Payment trend of 6.8% is slightly higher than the 6.0% trend for comparable state government employers, and higher than the last rate increase of 5.8%. ETF's fully-insured program structure means increases in Total Net Payment are not immediately experienced by the program but increases over time can be expected to increase health insurance premiums. *[Attachment A: Data Warehouse Dashboard – Financial page 1 top, center]*

Reviewed and approved by Eileen K Mallow, Director, Office of Strategic Health Policy

Electronically Signed 8/5/19

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- **Specialty drug costs continue to increase.**
 - Specialty drug costs as a percentage of total drug costs continue to increase: 48.3% compared to 47.2% in our last reporting and comparable to approximately 49% recorded for similar employers. This trend is driven by the development of new and relatively more expensive specialty drugs. ETF and Navitus continue to monitor the specialty drug costs. *[Attachment A: Data Warehouse Dashboard – Financial page 1 top, right]*

- **Outpatient use continues to be a main driver for the increase in total cost.**
 - Utilization of outpatient services continues to be a major driver of overall cost. ETF is working to address opportunities for improvement in emergency services utilization, which is a major contributor to the overall outpatient trend. *[Attachment A: Data Warehouse Dashboard – Financial page 2 top, right]*

- **Updates to the Risk Band Profiles.**
 - IBM Watson Health updates to the Diagnostic Cost Groups (DCG) methodology (see Glossary of Terms in Attachment A) incorporates the most current risk assessment know-how in the healthcare industry, which results in changes to the baseline definition of the risk band categories. Consequently, comparison to previous Risk Band Profile results are no longer valid. Notable changes are in the Allowed Amounts Per Member Per Year and the percentage of cost for each of the risk bands. Baseline updates are implemented infrequently, and all historically stored data has been recalibrated using the new methodology to ensure future analysis is consistent. *[Attachment A: Data Warehouse Dashboard – Clinical page Financial page 4]*

- **Reduction in cost trend for WEA Trust.**
 - The approximate 25% cost trend previously reported for WEA Trust is now adjusted closer to 20%. The reduction in cost trend for this plan is expected to continue as more months in 2018 are included in the “previous” period, thus defining a new baseline. This will be complete when the population for both the previous and current periods have full representations of the relatively higher risk IYC Access health population recently acquired by WEA Trust. *[Attachment A: Data Warehouse Dashboard - Financial page 5]*

Note: Relatively small health plans (plan size indicated by diameter of circle) are more susceptible to effects of cost outliers (e.g. new high cost claimant).

Staff will be at the Board meeting to answer any questions.

Attachment A

Financial

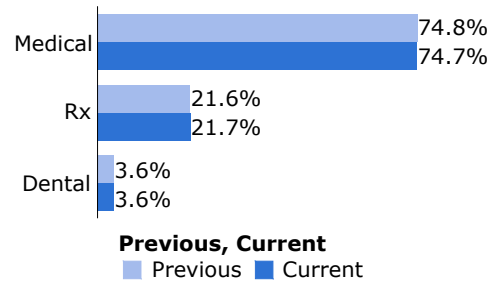
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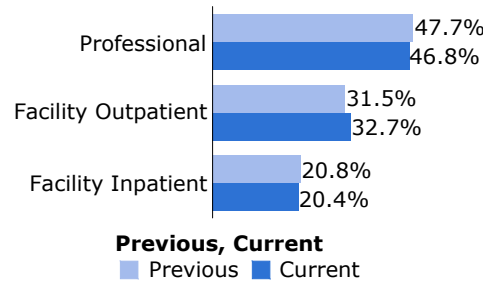


	Previous	Current	% Change
Total Net Payment	\$1.42 B	\$1.52 B	6.8% ▲

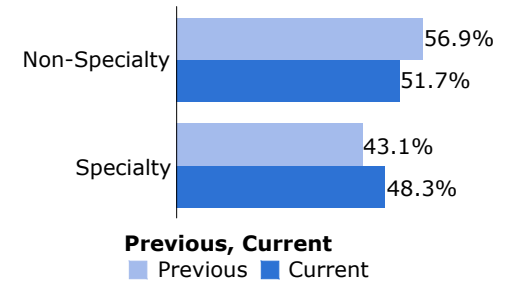
Net Payment by Summary Categories



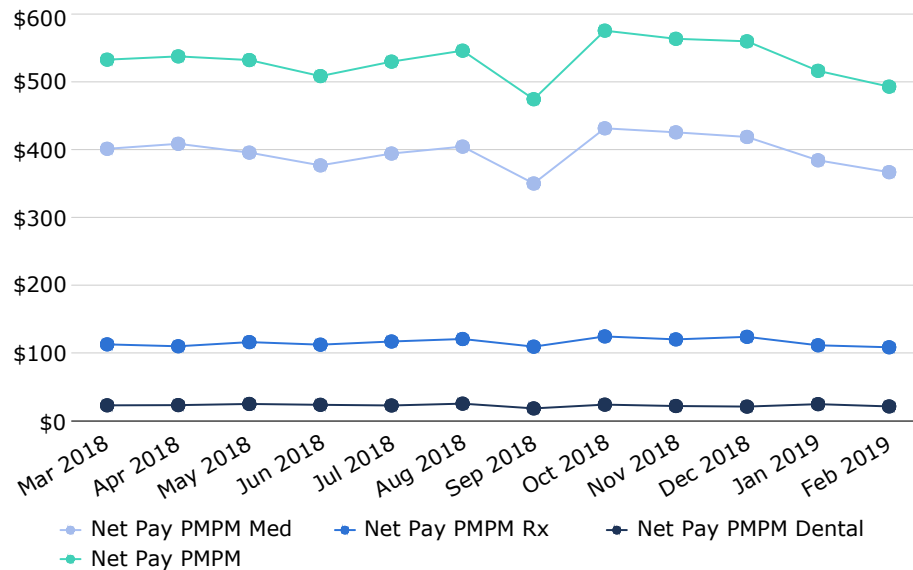
Net Payment by Medical Service Categories



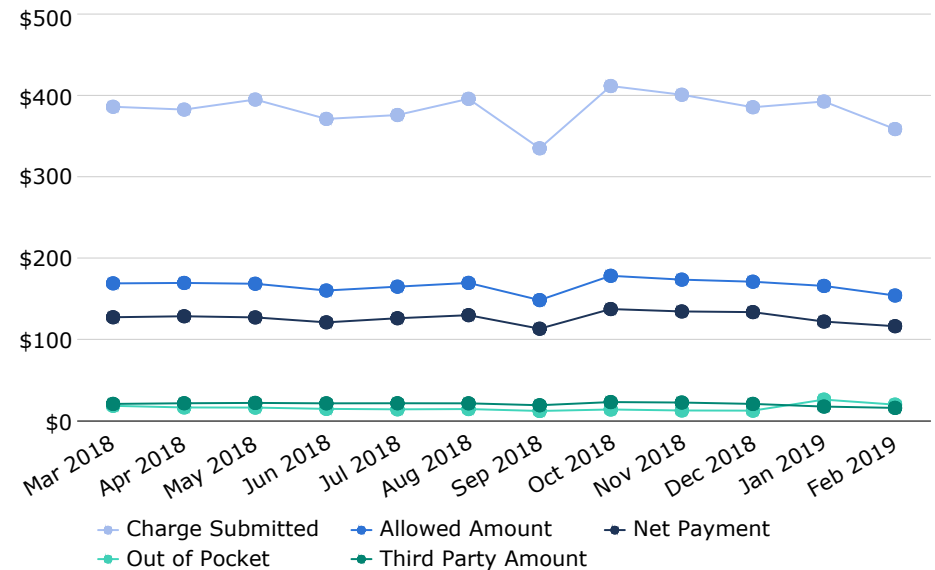
Net Payment by Non-Specialty vs Specialty Drugs



Monthly Cost Per Member



Total Monthly Costs (in Millions)



Financial

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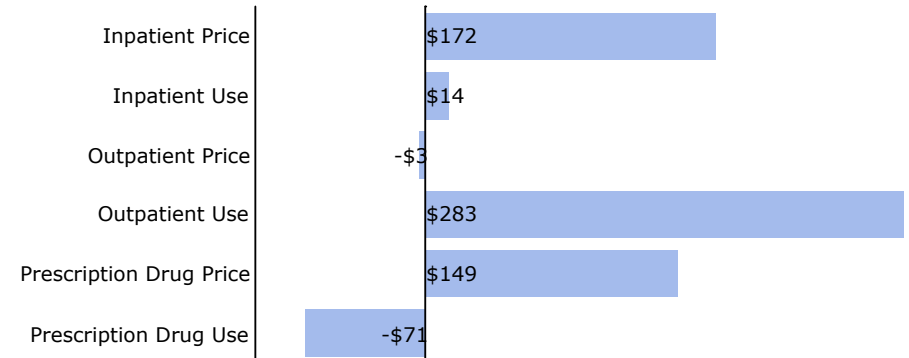


Cost Per Member

	Previous	Current	% Change		Norm	% Difference from Norm
Allow Amt PMPY Med and Rx	\$7,641	\$8,184	7.1%	▲	\$6,729	21.6% ▲
Allow Amt Per Visit Office Med	\$209	\$214	2.7%	▲		
Allow Amt Per Adm Acute	\$19,315	\$20,689	7.1%	▲	\$30,132	-31.3% ▼
Allow Amt Per Visit ER	\$1,493	\$1,649	10.4%	▲	\$1,978	-16.6% ▼
Allow Amt Per Script Rx	\$121	\$128	5.4%	▲	\$134	-4.9% ▼
Visits Per 1000 Office Med	6,959	6,882	-1.1%		5,845	17.7%
Admits Per 1000 Acute	70	71	0.6%		54	30.6%
Visits Per 1000 ER	272	264	-2.9%		207	27.7%
Scripts Per 1000 Rx	15,833	15,641	-1.2%			

Cost Drivers

Allowed Amount PMPY increased \$544 in the current period.
The factors driving this change include:



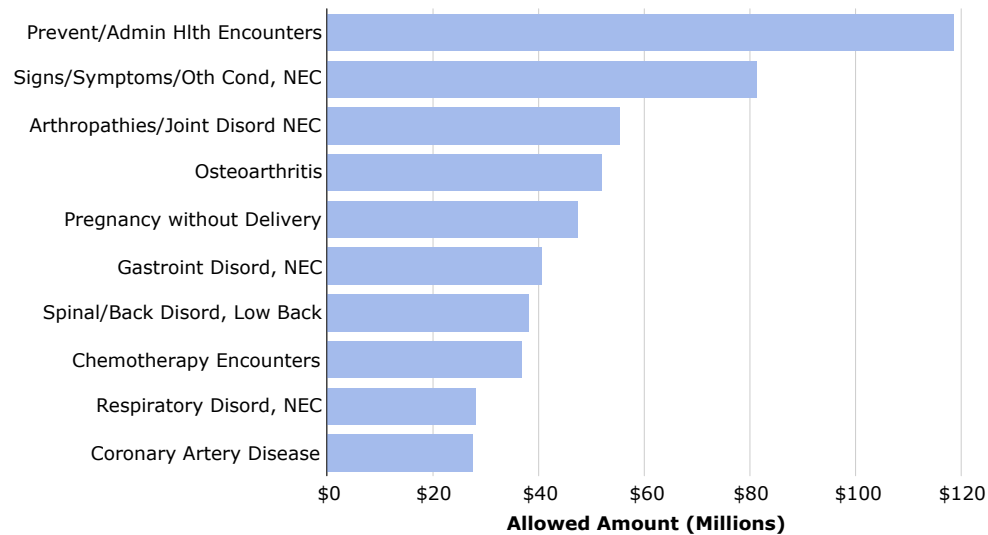
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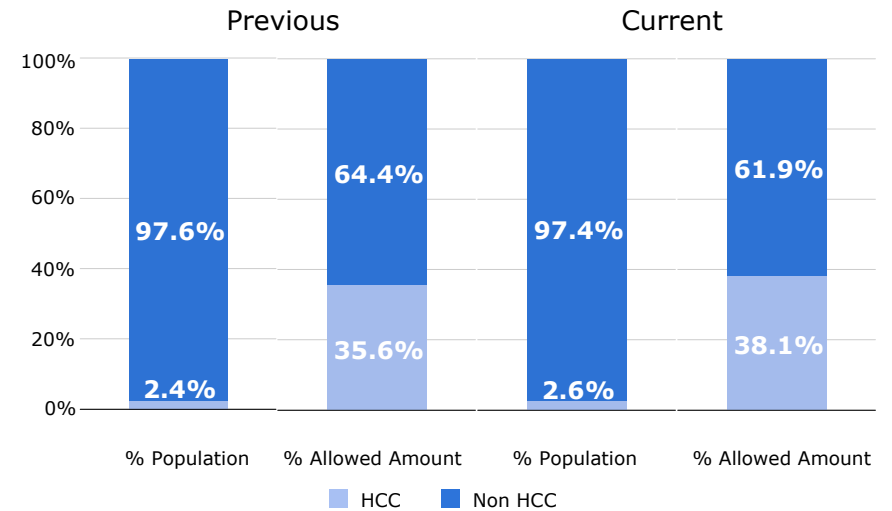
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10 Most Expensive Clinical Conditions



High Cost Claimants (HCC) Trends



Top 10 Conditions for *Consistent HCC

Condition	Allow Amt Med	Patients	**Allow Amt Per Patient Med
Chemotherapy Encounters	\$18,521,376	323	\$57,342
Renal Function Failure	\$10,939,954	328	\$33,354
Signs/Symptoms/Oth Cond, NEC	\$9,414,697	2,000	\$4,707
Neurological Disorders, NEC	\$5,422,790	589	\$9,207
Condition Rel to Tx - Med/Surg	\$5,216,564	414	\$12,600
Respiratory Disord, NEC	\$4,976,624	965	\$5,157
Multiple Sclerosis	\$4,783,089	249	\$19,209
Cancer - Nonspecified	\$4,692,324	305	\$15,385
Cancer - Leukemia	\$4,408,308	141	\$31,265
Cancer - Breast	\$4,127,372	143	\$28,863

HCC: defined as member with allowed amount >= \$50K.

*Consistent HCC: in addition, member must meet the HCC requirement for each of the last 2 Incurred Rolling years.

	Allow Amt Med	% of Total	+Patients	**Allow Amt Per Patient Med
Prevent/Admin Hlth Encounters	\$118,545,864	8.1%	167,359	\$708
Signs/Symptoms/Oth Cond, NEC	\$81,251,577	5.6%	67,083	\$1,211
Arthropathies/Joint Disord NEC	\$55,252,010	3.8%	47,437	\$1,165
Osteoarthritis	\$51,802,730	3.6%	14,466	\$3,581
Pregnancy without Delivery	\$47,423,149	3.3%	5,049	\$9,393
Gastroint Disord, NEC	\$40,627,035	2.8%	24,445	\$1,662
Spinal/Back Disord, Low Back	\$37,991,227	2.6%	25,779	\$1,474
Chemotherapy Encounters	\$36,717,066	2.5%	994	\$36,939
Respiratory Disord, NEC	\$28,078,643	1.9%	19,760	\$1,421
Coronary Artery Disease	\$27,409,211	1.9%	5,271	\$5,200
Top 10 Subtotal	\$525,098,512	36.1%	196,765	\$2,669
All Clinical Conditions	\$1,455,767,199	100.0%	242,274	\$6,436

+Patient counts may not be unique since some patients have multiple conditions.

**Only costs associated with this condition in the current period, patients may have multiple conditions.

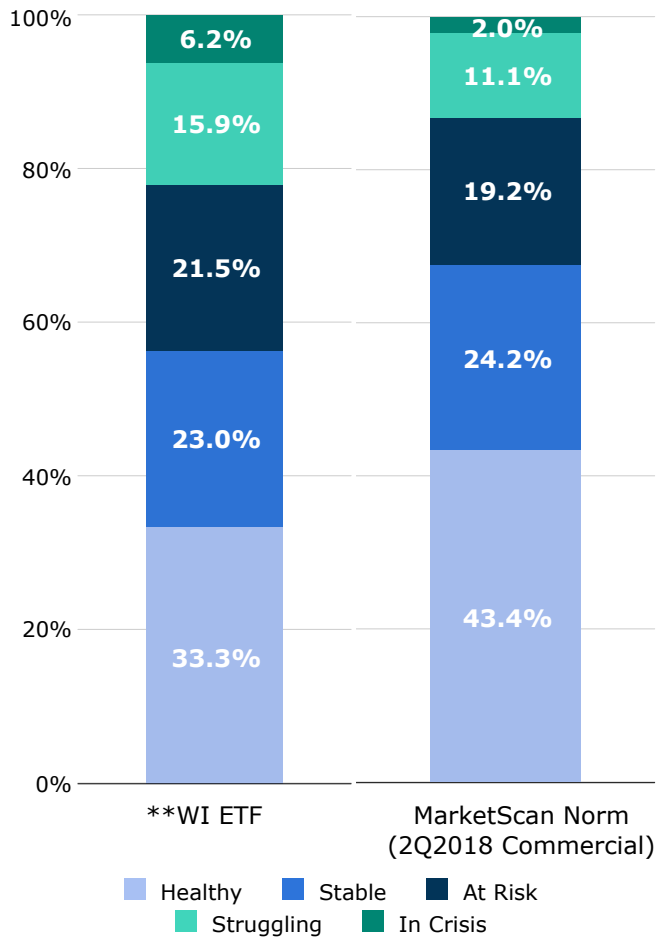
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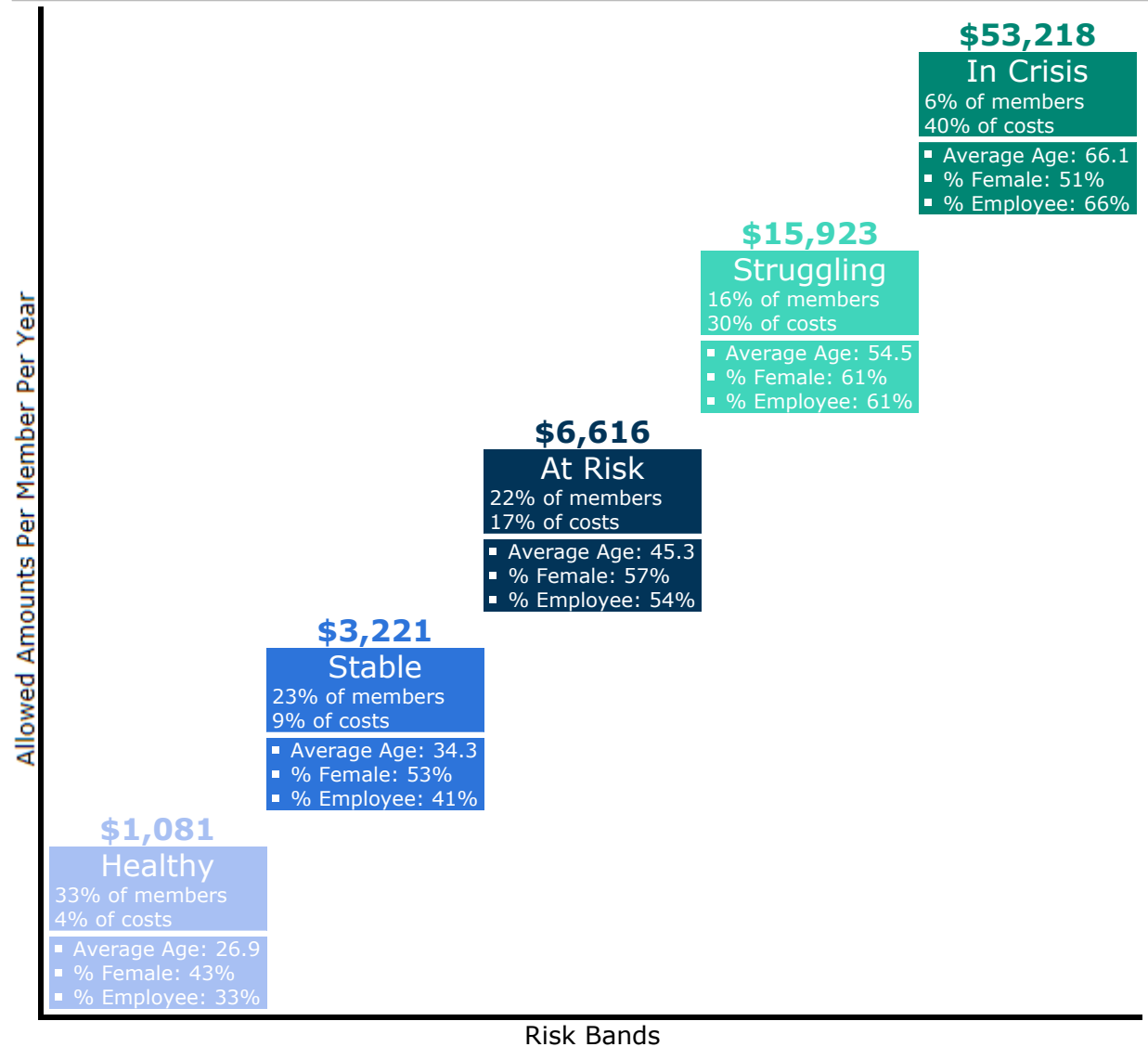
**DCG Period: Jan 2018 - Dec 2018



% of Members by Risk Band



Risk Band Profiles



*Demographic and financial metrics are for the current period
 **See glossary for details on DCG Methodology

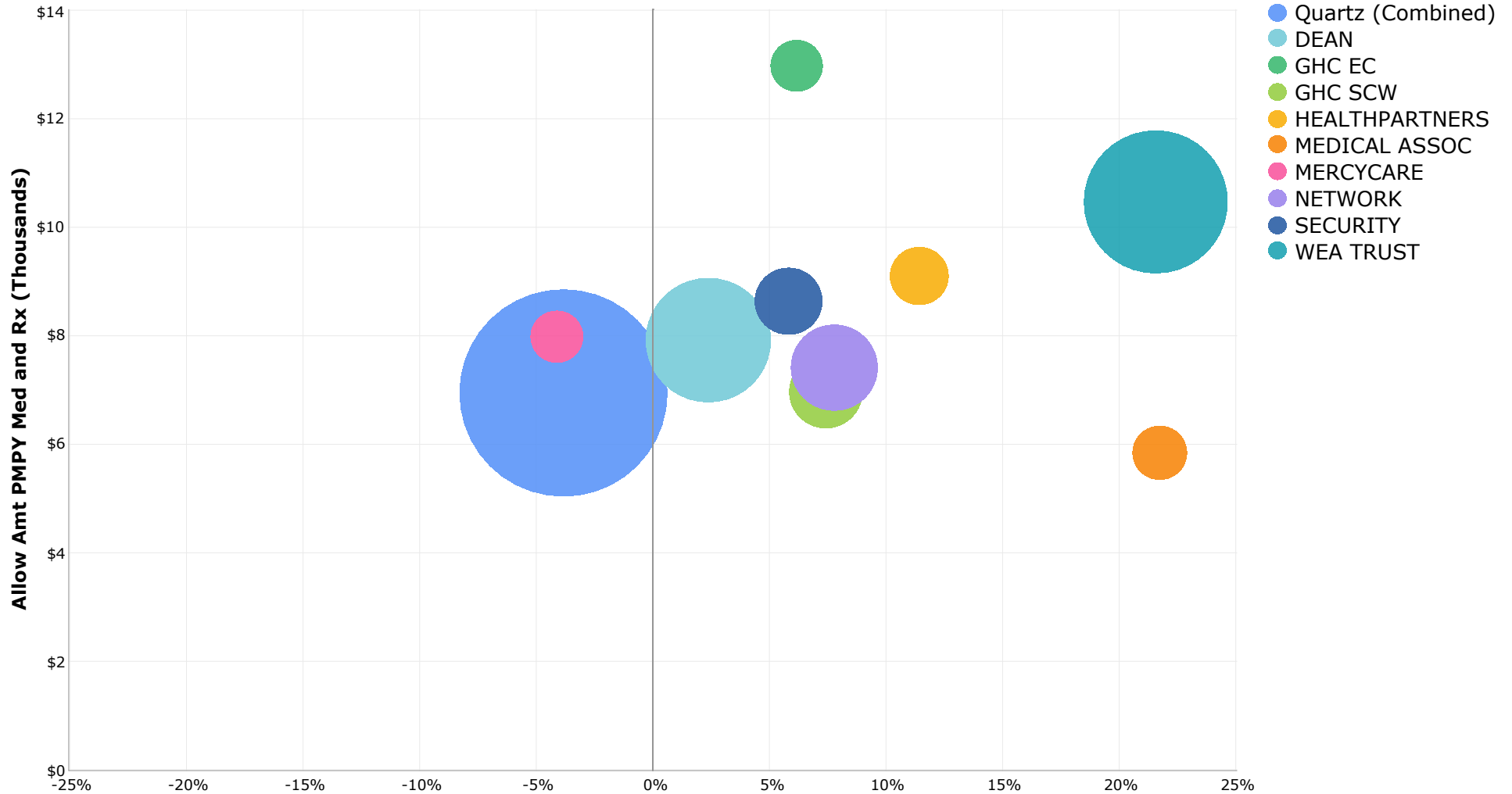
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Enrollment and Allowed Amount PMPY by Plan Group



Size of the bubbles represent current enrollment in each plan group
X-axis: % Change Allowed Amount PMPY Current vs Previous for each plan group

Eligibility

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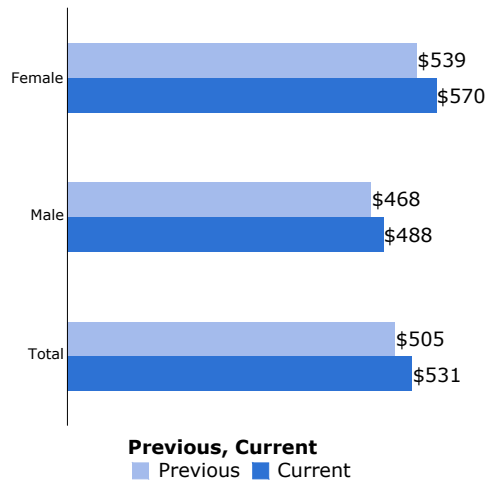
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	Enrollment			Average Age		
	Previous	Current	% Change	Previous	Current	% Change
Employees	120,782	120,488	-0.2%	51.0	51.1	0.0%
Members	265,131	262,272	-1.1%	39.3	39.4	0.2%
Family Size Avg	2.2	2.2	-0.8%			

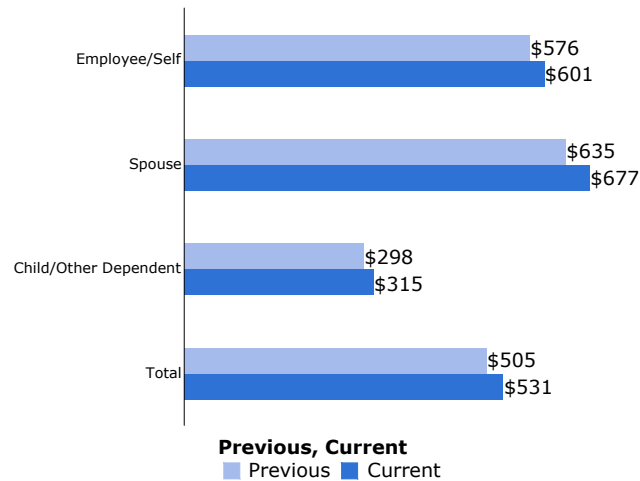
Membership and Net Pay PMPM by Gender

	Previous	Current	% Change
Female	137,076	135,893	-0.9%
Male	128,055	126,379	-1.3%



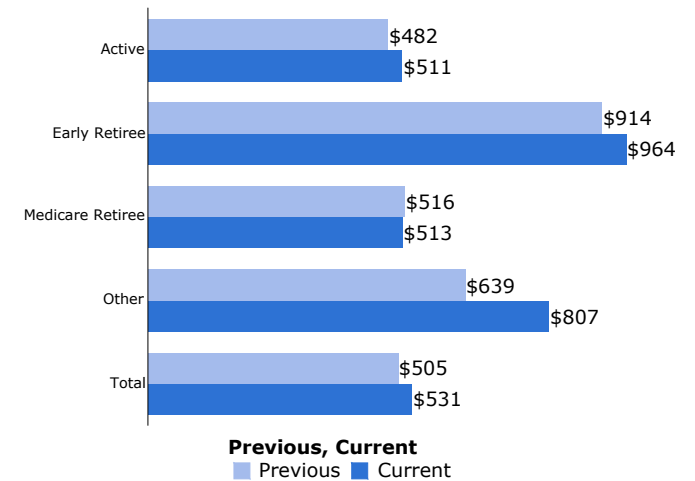
*Membership and Net Pay PMPM by Employee Relationship

	Previous	Current	% Change
Employee/Self	120,568	119,843	-0.6%
Spouse	62,196	60,786	-2.3%
Child/Other Dependent	82,366	81,643	-0.9%



* Membership and Net Pay PMPM by Employee Status

	Previous	Current	% Change
Active	221,945	218,817	-1.4%
Early Retiree	13,244	12,854	-2.9%
Medicare Retiree	34,970	35,208	0.7%
Other	1,338	1,499	12.0%



*Membership counts may not be unique since there may be transitions between the listed categories during the reported period

Time Periods

- CRY: Current Rolling Year
- DCG Periods
 - Related to Diagnostic Cost Group methodology and risk adjustment
 - Typically aligned with Jan - Dec plan year
- Incurred: the date a service was rendered
- Paid: the date that the claim for a service was paid
- PRY: Previous Rolling Year

Clinical

- Clinical Conditions: IBM description for a clinical condition based on valid ICD principal diagnosis
- IP: inpatient service, related to an admission
- OP: outpatient services
- Rx: prescription drugs

Eligibility

- Employees: subscriber/self
- Family Size: average number of covered members per family
- Member Age: average age of covered employees/members
- Members: subscribers and dependents

Financial

- Allowed Amount: the total amount paid to the provider by all parties - the underlying medical cost that drives spending
- Net Payment: the amount paid by the plan sponsor (WI ETF)
 - $\text{Net Payment} = \text{Allowed Amount} - (\text{OOP} + \text{Third Party Payment})$
- OOP: Out Of Pocket, cost to member
- Rates:
 - PMPM: Per Member Per Month
 - PMPY: Per Member Per Year
- Third Party Payment: e.g. Medicare, Medicaid, and other insurance

Other

- DCG: Diagnostic Cost Group (DCG) classifications are the foundation of a family of risk-adjusted payment and analysis methodologies
- Risk Scores and Categories
 - Are the predicted patient risk based on (i) Diagnosis codes (ICD 9/10) and (ii) Demographics
 - Concurrent / prospective: current and predicted risk scores
 - NonRescaled: DCG model population reference / average = 100
 - Rescaled: WI ETF population reference / average = 100
 - Risk Bands: groupings of risk scores based on IBM MarketScan