# Integrated Physical & Behavioral Health

**A Business Opportunity for Employers** 



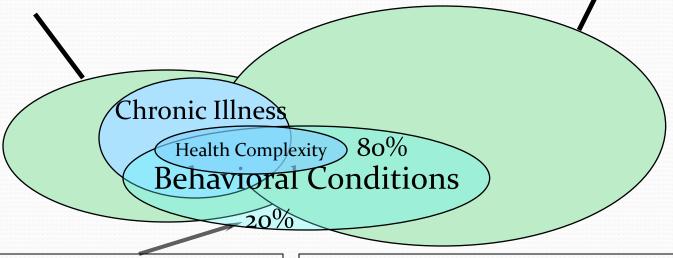
# About the Health and Health Costs of Your Employees

- 80% of employees with behavioral difficulties (~20% of employer covered lives) are seen and treated in the primary care sector (without access to behavioral specialists)
- On average, behavioral health conditions add about \$1,600 in direct behavioral health treatment cost and lost productivity and about \$3,200 in use of additional "physical health" services
- Current "carved out" and "carved in" insurance products prevent physical and behavioral service integration and contribute more than \$130 annually to total health costs



### **Delivery of Physical and Behavioral Care**

Physical Health Inpatient Sector Physical Health Outpatient Sector



#### **Behavioral Health Sector**

- ~20% of behavioral health patients
- ~97% of behavioral health budget
- ~90% of behavioral health providers

Mark TL et al, Health Affairs, 30:284-292, 2011

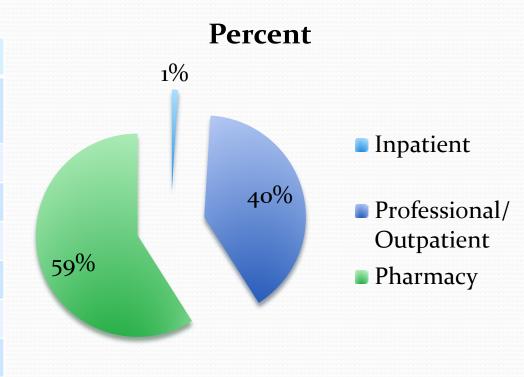
### Behavioral Condition Treatment in the Physical Health Sector

- ~80% of behavioral health patients
- ~3% of behavioral health budget
- ~10% of behavioral health providers



# Comparatively "Small" Direct Cost of Behavioral Care to Employers

Prevalence	464
Percent affected	12%
Direct Cost	\$358,978
Inpatient	\$4,050
Professional/Outpatient	\$142,330
Pharmacy	\$212,589
Per Diseased Employee	\$774
Per Employee	\$89



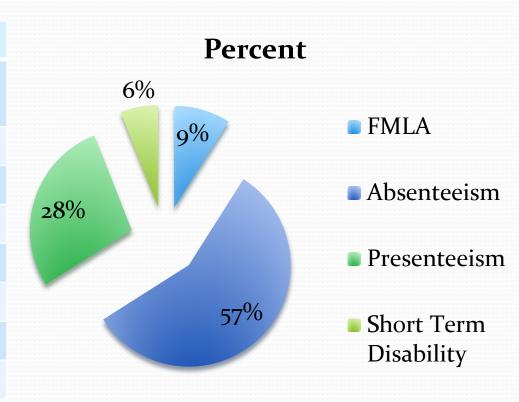
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4,031 employees

#### **Lost Productivity Costs of Behavioral Disorders**

Prevalence	464
Percent affected	12%
Direct Cost	\$404,782
Family Leave	\$36,574
Absenteeism	\$232,020
Presenteeism	\$113,2030
<b>Short Term Disability</b>	\$22,984
Per Diseased Employee	\$872
Per Employee	\$100

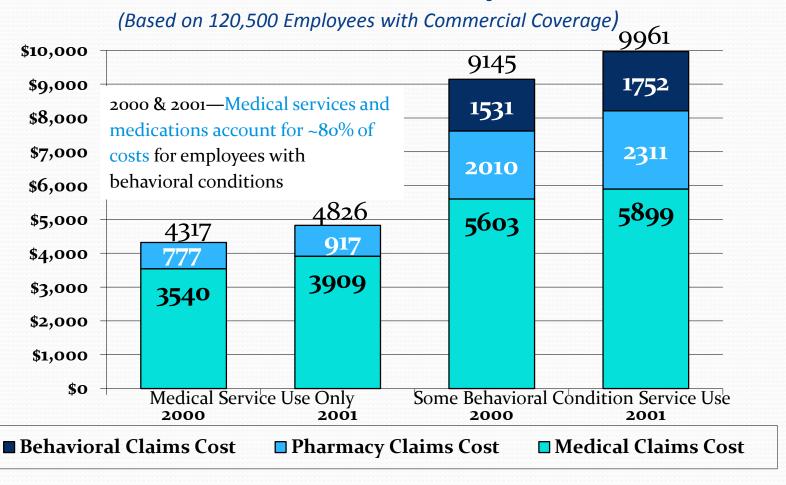


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### Behavioral Disorders Add about \$3,300/Employee to Medical and Pharmacy Costs





# Total Health-Related Costs of Untreated Behavioral Disorders in 100,000 Employees

	Per Affected Employee	Per Employee	Per 100,000 Employees
Direct Behavioral Cost	\$774	\$89	\$8,900,000
Productivity Cost	\$872	\$100	\$10,000,000
Associated Medical Cost	\$3,300	\$380	\$37,950,000
Total	\$4,946	\$569	\$56,850,000



### Concurrent Behavioral Conditions in Employees with Chronic Medical Conditions Show Similar Patterns but Substantially Higher Cost

	Patient Groups	Annual Cost of Care	Illness <u>Prevalence</u>	% with Comorbid Mental Condition*	Annual Cost with Mental Condition	
•	All Insured	\$2,920		15%		
•	Arthritis	\$5,220	6.6%	36%	\$10,710	94%
•	Asthma	\$3,730	5.9%	35%	\$10,030	169%
•	Cancer	\$11,650	4.3%	37%	\$18,870	62%
•	Diabetes	\$5,480	8.9%	30%	\$12,280	124%
•	Chronic Pain	\$7,320	1.1%	70%	\$15,840	116%
•	CHF	\$9,770	1.3%	40%	\$17,200	76%
•	Migraine	\$4,340	8.2%	43%	\$10,810	149%
•	COPD	\$3,840	8.2%	38%	\$10,980	186%

<sup>\*</sup>Approximately 10% receive evidence-based mental condition treatment

Cartesian Solutions, Inc.<sup>™</sup>--consolidated health plan claims data



### **Traditional Behavioral Health Management\***

(Shifts Behavioral Condition Costs to General Medical Benefits)

Introduced Behavioral Health Management Practices	Behavioral Condition Service Users (Test Group)	Non-Behavioral Condition Service Users Control Group)
BH Expenditures	Decreased 38% (\$1,912 to \$1,192	
Non-BH Expenditures	Increased 36.6% (\$2,325 to \$3,175)	Increased 1.4% (\$1,297 to \$1,315)
Net Total Cost of Care	Increased \$130/employee (\$4,241 to \$4,369)	Increased \$18/employee (\$1,297 to \$1,315)
Days Absent from Work	Increased 21.9% (6.4 to 8.7)	Decreased 10.8% (4.0 to 3.6)

\*managed behavioral health organizations (MBHOs)

Rosenheck et al, Health Aff 18:193-203, 1999



### Integrated Care in Multiple Settings Improves Employee Health and Reduces Cost

- Depression and diabetes: 115 fewer days of depression/year; projected \$2.9 million/year lower total health costs/100,000 diabetic members¹
- Panic disorder in PC: 61 fewer days of anxiety/year; projected \$1.7 million/year lower total health costs/100,000 primary care patients<sup>2</sup>
- <u>Substance use disorders with medical compromise</u>: 14% increase in abstinence at 6 months (69% vs. 55%); \$2,050 lower annual health care cost/patient in integrated program<sup>3</sup>
- Delirium prevention programs: 30% lower incidence of delirium; projected \$16.5 million/year reduction in IP costs/30,000 admissions4
- <u>Unexplained physical complaints</u>: no increase in missed general medical illness or adverse events; 9% to 53% decrease in costs associated with increased healthcare service utilization<sup>5</sup>
- <u>Health Complexity</u>: halved depression prevalence; statistical improvement of quality of life, perceived physical and mental health; 7% reduction in new admissions at 12 months<sup>6</sup>
- Proactive Psychiatric Consultation: doubled psychiatric involvement with nearly one day shorter ALOS and 4:1 to 14:1 return on investment<sup>7</sup>

Data from 1. Katon et al, Diab Care 29:265-270, 2006; 2. Katon et al, Psychological Med 36:353-363, 2006; 3. Parthasarathy et al, Med Care 41:257-367, 2003; 4. Inouye et al, Arch Int Med 163:958-964, 2003; 5. summary of 8 experimental/control outcome studies; 6. Stiefel et al, Psychoth Psychosom 77:247, 2008; 7. Desan et al, Psychosom 52:513, 2011



### **Integrated Care Enhances Productivity**

<u>Usual Care</u>	_
(N = 168)	Р
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Max. Productivity

Hours Work Lost

Treatment Value \$ 1,982/year/depressed FTE

Rost et al, Med Care 42:1202-1210, 2004



### **Capturing the Business Opportunity**

- Purchasing Health Insurance Products for Employees
  - Desired Outcome--employee access to coordinated physical and behavioral services
  - Important contract features for physical and behavioral health care delivery support
    - Contract with a single integrated network of physical and behavioral providers that use a common electronic health record
    - Contract uses common physical and behavioral payment adjudication procedures
    - Contract allows employees access to an integrated network of behavioral and physical health providers driven by illness prevention and health outcomes that achieve the Triple Aim (improved health, lower cost, better delivery experience), e.g., accountable care organization, clinically integrated network of providers
  - Core Health Benefit Contract Components
    - Behavioral services are part of physical health benefits with similar/identical payment procedures
    - Behavioral health providers are core members of the physical health physician provider network
    - Single enrollee identifier for physical and behavioral health service use
    - Colocation and close communication expectation for physical and behavioral services delivery, such as with collaborative care teams
    - Integrated physical and behavioral health care/case management support procedures and payment for complex, complicated, comorbid, high cost employees
    - Common claims and quality improvement data set for all physical and behavioral health service use

