

Lunch and learn: Meet the experts: CRGs and PFEs

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Meet the speakers

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CRGs

Clinical Risk Groups

Overview and use case

3M Clinical Risk Groups – Overview and use case

- A population-based classification system that describes the health status and burden of illness of individuals in an identified population based on diagnoses and procedures reported from patient claims and encounters during an extended time period, such as a year. Suitable for all populations
- More specifically, a categorical clinical classification system that generates mutually exclusive groupings for both very detailed and more highly aggregated diagnostic categories, including explicitly defined severity levels.
- The grouping output also includes a full profile of all individual chronic and acute conditions, available for further drill-down or supplemental analyses by users.
- CRGs can be used for population health analysis and risk adjusting in policies for payment and quality measures

3M Clinical Risk Groups – Overview and use case

3M CRGs can be used by payers, managed care organizations, hospitals, disease management and similar firms, researchers from academic and government organizations, and anyone else who seeks to understand or manage population-wide patterns of utilization, cost and quality.

| Use | | |
|---|---|---|
| <div>Population Health Management</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifying total disease burden and prevalence of individual chronic and acute conditions to manage• Population segment analysis• Understand enrolled non-user population• Examine high-cost outlier patients for reasons | <div>Risk Adjusted Payment</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capitated payment rate setting• Shared savings programs• Bundled payment using 3M’s Patient-Focused Episodes | <div>Quality Measurement</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total service utilization and cost of care• Risk adjusted value-based measures of potentially preventable events using 3M’s Population-Focused Preventables (PPA, PPV, PPS)• Tracking and evaluating services, costs and outcomes for defined clinical subgroups of the population (e.g., CHF, COPD, diabetes, mental health, substance abuse)• Measuring disease progression |



3M Clinical Risk Groups use in risk adjustment

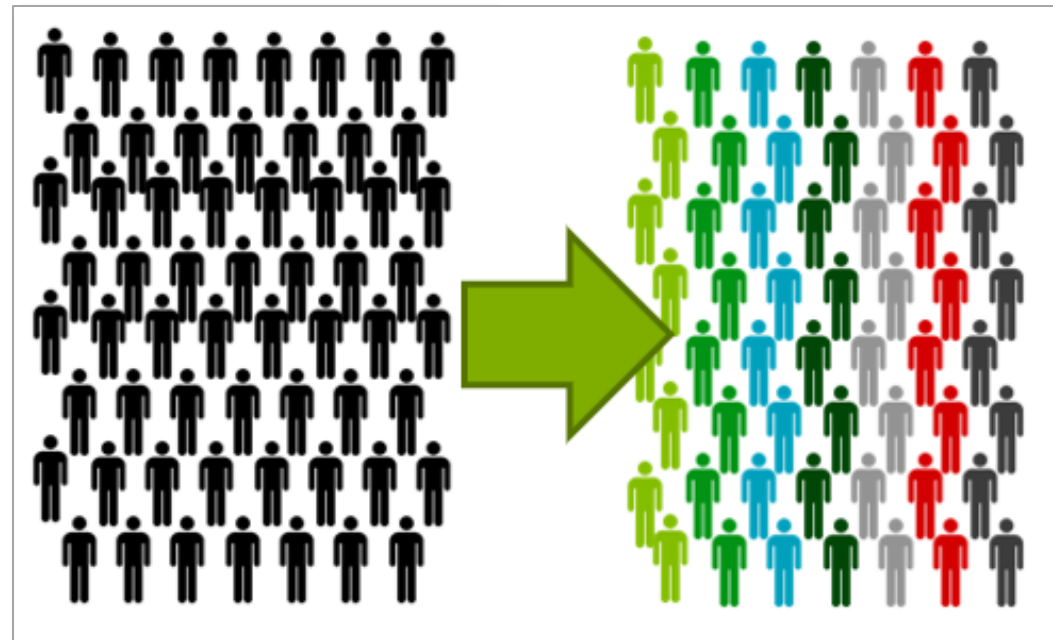
Risk Adjustment

- “the **statistical process** that takes into account the underlying health status and health spending of the **enrollees** in an insurance plan when looking at their health care outcomes or health care costs” – healthcare.gov

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CRGs

- a clinically-driven, whole-person approach to measuring a patient’s burden of illness
- assigns each patient into a single, mutually exclusive category,
- supports risk adjusted comparisons with clinical and financial similar individuals – *“compare apples with apples”*



3M Clinical Risk Groups use in Shared Savings Program

- Ohio has implemented the Comprehensive Primary Care (CPC) program, a team-based care delivery model led by a primary care practice that comprehensively manages a patient’s health needs. Practices must adhere to activity requirements as well as efficiency and quality metrics
- Practices receive quarterly PMPM base payments to support activities that are required for the CPC that are risk adjusted based on CRG
- Practices can get additional rewards for managing total cost of care (TCOC) relative to their peers and to their own past performance, risk adjusted comparisons using CRG

Ohio Department of Medicaid

2022 Ohio CPC Per Member Per Month (PMPM) Payments

Remains the same as 2021

The PMPM payment for a given CPC practice is calculated by multiplying the PMPM for each risk tier by the number of members attributed to the practice in each risk tier

| Tiers | Health Status | Example | CPC PMPM |
|-----------------|--|---|----------|
| CPC PMPM Tier 1 | Healthy | Healthy (no chronic health problems) | \$1.80 |
| | History of significant acute disease | Chest pains | |
| | Single minor chronic disease | Migraine | |
| CPC PMPM Tier 2 | Minor chronic diseases in multiple organ systems | Migraine and benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) | \$8.55 |
| | Significant chronic disease | Diabetes mellitus | |
| | Significant chronic diseases in multiple organ systems | Diabetes mellitus and CHF | |
| CPC PMPM Tier 3 | Dominant chronic disease in 3 or more organ systems | Diabetes mellitus, CHF, and COPD | \$22.00 |
| | Dominant/metastatic malignancy | Metastatic colon malignancy | |
| | Catastrophic | History of major organ transplant | |

Practices and MCPs receive payments prospectively and quarterly

Risk tiers are updated quarterly, based on 24 months of claims history with 3 months of claims run-out

Quarterly PMPM payments are meant to support practices in conducting the activities required by the CPC program

Detailed requirement definitions are available on the Ohio Medicaid website

Source:
<https://medicaid.ohio.gov/static/Providers/PaymentInnovation/CPC/CPC-Program-Updates.pdf>
<https://medicaid.ohio.gov/static/Providers/PaymentInnovation/CPC/SharedSavingsMethodology.pdf>

Ohio Department of Medicaid

Relative to peers: TCOC is calculated for each practice and then adjusted for differences in risk profiles across practices

Calculate TCOC for each CPC practice

To determine total spend for each CPC practice within the time frame (e.g., performance year)

Risk adjustment

To account for differences in risk profile of patient panels across practices within the time frame (e.g., performance year)

What it's applied to

Performance year TCOC calculations across practices

How it's calculated

Total spend for attributed population based on:

- Adjudicated (medical, Rx) claims
- Received quarterly PMPM payments
- Excludes spend at patient- and service-level (see P8)

Members in each practice assigned a 3M CRG

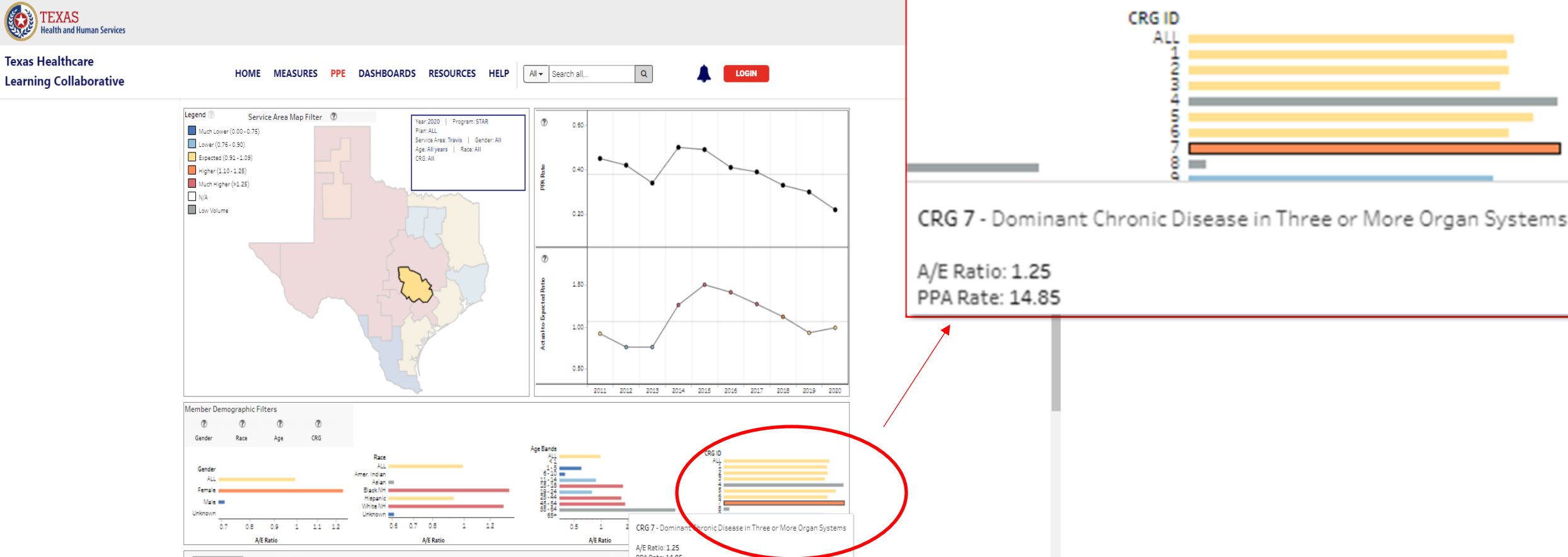
PMPM TCOC payments across CRGs compared to average PMPM TCOC (across all CRGs)

Risk score is calculated at the practice level to compare practice-specific risk to average

Risk adjusted TCOC calculated as TCOC / risk score



3M Clinical Risk Groups use in quality measures – PPA



<https://thlcportal.com/home>

Intro to methodology

3M Clinical Risk Groups - Definition and examples

Definition

The 3M™ Clinical Risk Groups classification methodology describes the health status and burden of illness of individuals in an identified population.

Risk Adjustment

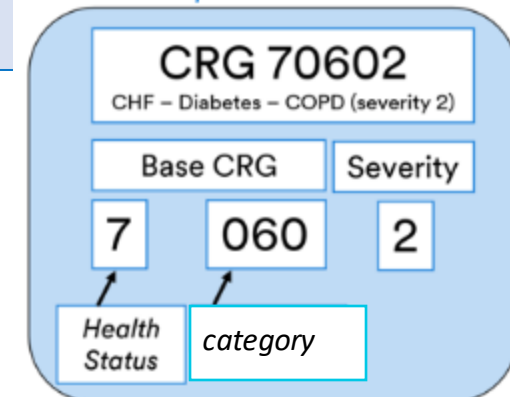
CRGs adjust for differences in patient acuity:

- Capitation payment to MCOs and similar
- Risk stratification
- Shared savings programs
- Measuring population health status
- 3M Potentially Preventable Admissions
- 3M Potentially Preventable ED Visits
- 3M Potentially Preventable Services

Examples v2.2

11900 Pregnancy without Delivery, without Other Significant Illness
20800 Major Trauma Diagnosis, with or without Other Significant Illness
31411 Chronic Bronchitis Level -1
40002 Multiple Other Minor Chronic Diseases Level – 2
57474 Bipolar Disorder Level 4
62605 Dominant Chronic Developmental Disability and Other Moderate Chronic Disease Level – 5
70602 Congestive Heart Failure - Diabetes - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Level – 2
86472 Lung Malignancy – Under Active Treatment Level - 2
90103 Dialysis with Diabetes Level - 3

Example: CRG 70602



3M Clinical Risk Groups – Assignment process

Phase I. Claims and encounter information is processed and edited or “validated for use,” and a disease profile and history of past medical interventions is created.

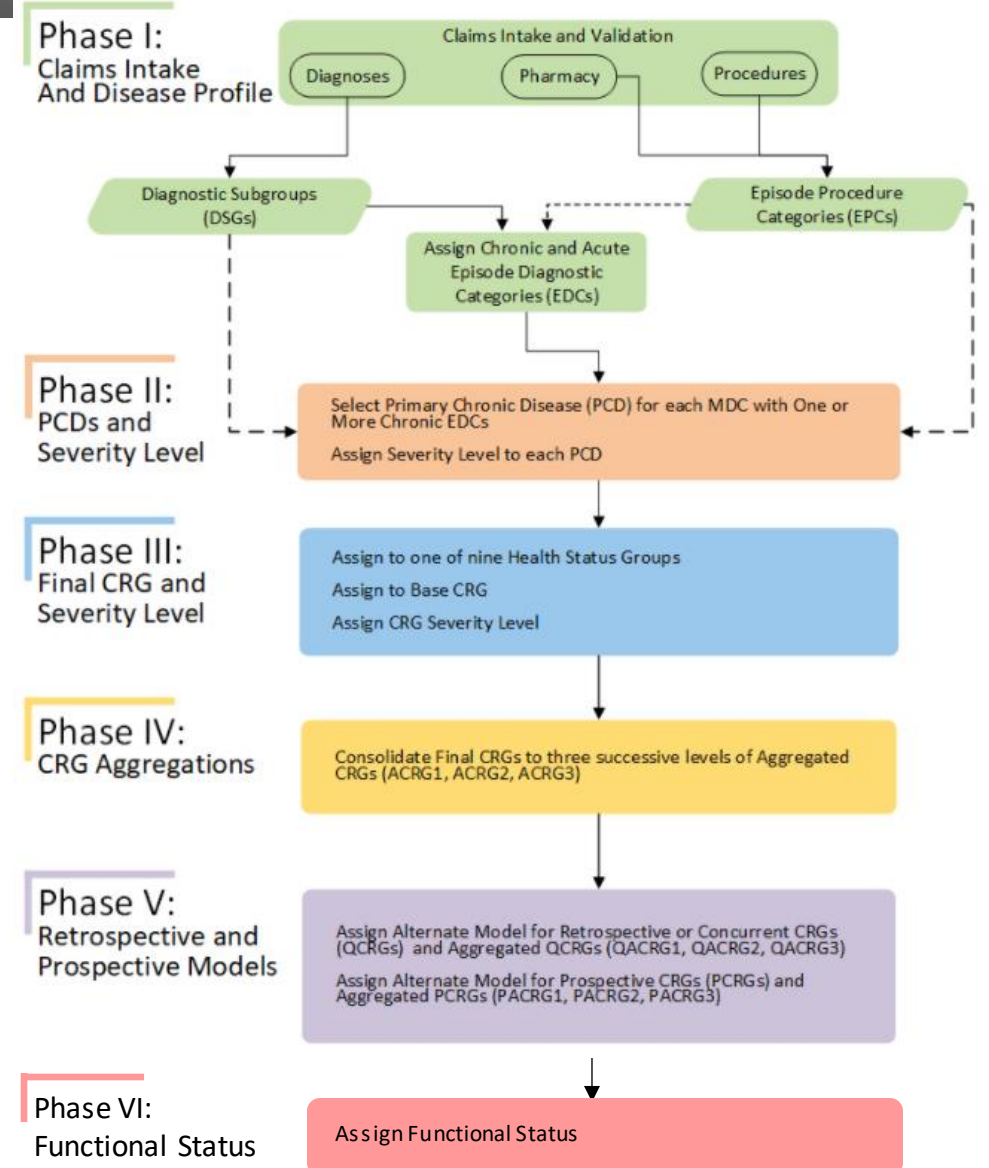
Phase II. For each organ system, the most significant primary chronic disease is identified, if one exists, and its severity of illness level is determined.

Phase III. The primary chronic disease(s) and its (their) associated severity of illness level(s) are used to determine the CRG category and severity level. Absent chronic disease, assignment to CRG category takes into account the presence of one or more significant acute illnesses.

Phase IV. The initial CRGs are consolidated into three successive tiers of aggregation, referred to as Aggregated CRGs or ACRGs.

Phase V. Final CRG assignments are made for prospective or concurrent/retrospective applications. The final assignments take into account additional information, and in particular for the Concurrent CRGs, the presence of significant health events such as pregnancy, delivery, and newborn births.

Phase VI. 3M™ Functional Status Grouping (FSG) logic is called and delivered as part of the CRG output. The output does not impact CRG assignment but is made available as additional information for analytic and risk-adjustment purposes.

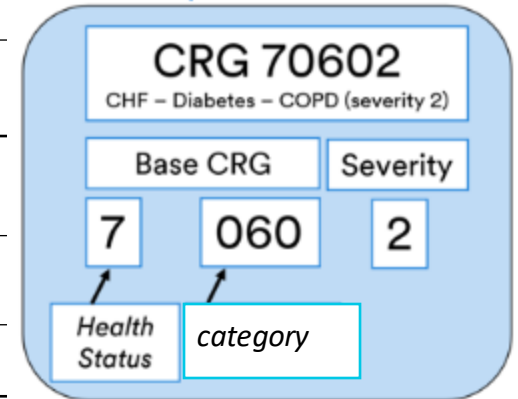


3M Clinical Risk Groups – Assignment process

At the broadest level, the 3M CRGs are organized into ten health status groups:

| 3M CRG health status group | Example(s) | Base 3M CRGs | Severity levels | Number of 3M CRGs |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 9 – Catastrophic Conditions | History of Major Organ Transplant | 10 | 4 | 40 |
| 8 – Malignancy, Under Active Treatment | Lung malignancy + chemotherapy | 19 | 4 | 76 |
| 7 – Significant Chronic Disease in Three or More Organ Systems (Triplets) | CHF + Diabetes + COPD | 25 | 6 | 150 |
| 6 – Significant Chronic Disease in Multiple Organ Systems (Pairs) | CHF + Diabetes | 70 | 6 | 420 |
| 5 – Single Dominant or Moderate Chronic Disease | Diabetes | 115 | 4 | 460 |
| 4 – Multiple Minor Chronic | Hypertension + Migraine disease | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 3 – Single Minor Chronic Disease | Hypertension | 53 | 2 | 106 |
| 2 – History of Significant Acute Disease | Pneumonia, Premature Newborns | 39 (Concurrent) 33 (Prospective) | 0 | 39 (Concurrent) 33 (Prospective) |
| 1 – Healthy | Upper Respiratory Infections, Newborns | 30 (Concurrent) 26 (Prospective) | 0 | 30 (Concurrent) 26 (Prospective) |
| 0 – Non-Users | Non-users | 1 | 0 | 1 |

Example: CRG 70602



Total Base CRGs 366 (Concurrent)
356 (Prospective)



Total Number of 3M CRGs
1,338 (Concurrent)
1,328 (Prospective)

Recent developments and what's next

3M Clinical Risk Groups – Recent developments

- V2.2 most recent and new version in 2021 includes:
 - Reclassification of Hypertension
 - Reclassification of Diabetes
 - Revised criteria for health status group 8, Malignancy in Active Treatment
 - Other revised or new Diagnostic Subgroups (DSGs), Episode Procedure Categories (EPCs), Episode Diagnostics Categories (EDCs) and Clinical Risk Groups (CRGs)
 - New logic for processing and validating DSGs and EDCs
 - Updates to diagnosis code sets and procedure code sets
 - Consolidation of low volume CRGs and new CRG additions
 - Other revised CRGs
 - Renumbering of CRGs in Status 1 and 2
 - New Status 0 for Non-Users
 - Revised Aggregated CRGs (ACRGs)
 - Other software logic updates for claims data input and processing
- Activities toward future development includes:
 - Enhance the stratification of the aggregated CRG groups (ACRGs)
 - Additional International code set support

PFEs

Patient Focused Episodes

Overview and use case

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Overview and use case

- A population-based classification system that identifies episodes based on diagnoses and procedures reported from patient claims and encounters during an extended time period
- More specifically, a categorical clinical classification system that is patient-focused. An episode includes all costs of patient-provider encounters during the user defined episode period. This is important because patients with comorbidities account for most health care spending
- The grouping output contains episodes, with aggregated costs and services that relate to various time segments that make up the episode period (e.g., post acute, pregnancy term).
- PFEs can be used for population health analysis, episode of care payment policy, and quality measures or to gain insights on where to reduce cost and improve outcomes.

Patient Focused Episodes – Overview and use case

3M PFEs can be used by organizations interested in improving system-wide health care performance, provider profiling and payment reform. Examples include large integrated delivery systems, payers, accountable care organizations, government agencies, employers and research groups

| Use | | |
|---|--|---|
| <div>Population Health Management</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifying cohorts and prevalence of individual chronic and acute conditions, to manage• Episode focused areas of research on targeted chronic disease or other episode areas | <div>Risk Adjusted Payment</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Event-based bundled payment using 3M’s Patient-Focused Episodes, risk adjusted by 3M’s Clinical Risk Groups | <div>Quality Measurement</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total episode service utilization and cost of care• Post-acute care measures (rates, cost)• Episode Drill Down (overlay PPEs)• Public Reporting and transparency of episode price |



3M Patient Focused Episodes - Post acute care service rates

Researchers used PFEs to report PAC facility admission rates by geographical location, identifying variation and potential areas for improvement

“Hospitals are responsible for arranging an appropriate post-discharge setting for a patient...”

To consider a PAC facility admission to be associated with a prior hospitalization, it should occur within a reasonable period of time following hospital discharge. A 4-day post-acute window was selected...

Based on a risk-adjusted comparison to the national 4-day PAC facility admission rate, there was substantial variation in the 4-day PAC facility admission rate across census regions and states with the northeastern states having higher risk adjusted 4-day PAC facility admission rate”

-- Averill, Fuller, Mills 2021

<https://multimedia.3m.com/mws/media/20513820/report-geographic-variation-in-post-acute-care-facility-admissions.pdf>

Geographic Variation

Table 2 contains the %(A-E)/E for 4-day PAC facility admissions using the national norm for the nine census regions. The Mountain and the West South Central census regions have the best performance at 11.09% and 10.65% below expected, respectively. New England and the Middle Atlantic region have the poorest performance at 19.88% and 13.77% above expected, respectively. The East North Central was also above expected (3.60%) while all other census regions were below expected.

Table 2: %(A-E)/E for 4-day PAC Admissions using national norm by census region

| Census Region | States | Eligible Discharges | 4-day PAC Facility Admissions | %(A-E)/E National Norm |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| New England | ME, VT, NH, CT, MA, RI | 416,227 | 115,755 | 19.88 |
| Middle Atlantic | NY, NJ, PA | 1,019,489 | 268,978 | 13.77 |
| South Atlantic | FL, GA, SC, NC, VA, WV, DC, MD, DE | 1,674,877 | 373,473 | -2.99 |
| E North Central | IL, WI, MI, IN, OH | 1,193,552 | 290,139 | 3.60 |
| E South Central | KY, TN, AL, MS | 550,162 | 122,034 | -2.76 |
| W South Central | TX, OK, AR, LA | 769,032 | 158,852 | -10.65 |
| W North Central | MN, IA, MO, KS, NE, SD, ND | 573,044 | 133,976 | -1.11 |
| Mountain | AZ, NM, UT, CO, NV, WY, ID, MT | 413,032 | 88,087 | -11.09 |
| Pacific | CA, OR, WA, HI, AK | 825,821 | 185,415 | -7.69 |
| Nation | | 7,435,236 | 1,736,709 | 0.0 |

Intro to methodology

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Definition and examples

Definition

Patient-focused Episodes (PFEs) are a categorical clinical model that defines episodes of care to reflect a patient's total burden of illness, not merely the presence of a single disease. The PFEs simultaneously quantify the patient's acute and post-acute resource needs, taking into account both the immediate need for care and baseline health status. The methodology was designed for purposes of payment, utilization analysis, and clinical insight.

Risk Adjustment

After episodes have been defined, they are cross-tabulated by 3M Clinical Risk Group (ACRG) to capture the impact of a patient's baseline health status on resource use during an episode of care.

PFE Examples (n = 453)

Event-Based Episodes (n = 330)

Inpatient Surgical Event (n = 120)

- 1622 Aortic Valve Procedures

Inpatient Medical Event (n = 127)

- 1381 Bronchiolitis & RSV Pneumonia

Outpatient Procedure Event (n = 74)

- 0470 Level II Arthroplasty

Outpatient Medical Event (n = 9)

- 1454 Status Asthmaticus

Cohort Episodes (n = 123)

Chronic Cohort (n = 93)

- 0020 Parkinson's Disease

Acute Cohort (n = 23)

- 0420 Cerebrovascular Infarction

Pregnancy Cohort (n = 6)

- 5401 High Risk Pregnancy w Delivery

Population Cohort (n = 1)

- 0000 Population

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Event-based episodes

Triggered by a significant healthcare event

- Hospital inpatient event classified by APR DRG
 - May be split into separate PFEs by diagnosis or procedure when patterns of post-acute care differ
 - Example: APR DRG 021 Craniotomy → PFEs 0211, 0212, 0213, 0214
- Outpatient event (hospital outpatient or physician clinic) classified by EAPG
- Episode length is defined by user to include leading, trigger, and trailing windows
- A patient is in only one episode at a time

Inpatient Surgical Event (n = 120)

Examples

- 1622 Aortic Valve Procedures
- 2251 Laparoscopic Procedures for Appendix

Inpatient Medical Event (n = 127)

Examples

- 1381 Bronchiolitis & RSV Pneumonia
- 7531 Bipolar Disorders

Outpatient Procedure (n = 74)

Examples

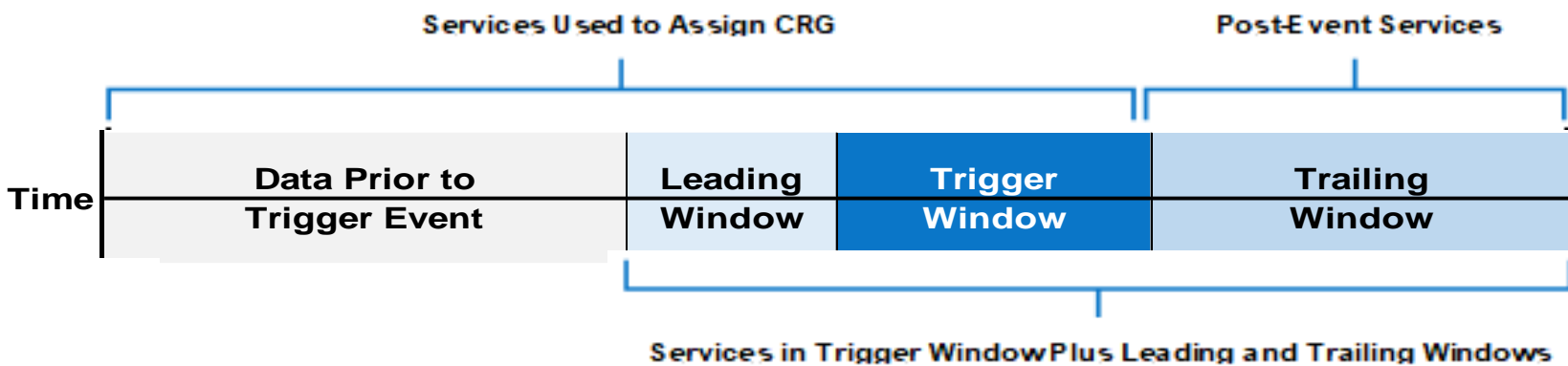
- 0990 Coronary Angioplasty
- 1910 Level I Fetal Procedures

Outpatient Medical Event (n = 9)

Examples

- 1454 Status Asthmaticus
- 7320 Cellulitis

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Event Based Episodes



| Example of Event Windows, Episodes (non overlapping aspect) | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----------|--------------|-----|-----|
| Event | Windows (User Choice) | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
| Inpatient Surg | 3,30 days | | | | Knee Surgery | | |
| Outpatient Med | 1, 30 days | | | Pneumonia | | | |

Options for PFE specification

- Leading window: 0, 1, 3, or 7 days or user-specified days
- Trailing window: 7, 15, 30, 60, 90 or user specified days
- Window for CRG: 90, 180, 365, or user-specified days
- Financial options: Aggregate, Estimate, Outlier indications
- Readmission logic: none, all-cause, potentially preventable
- Adjustment options for truncated episodes

Choose Services

Institutional Services

- ☐ Inpatient Hospital Facility (FI)
- ☐ Skilled Nursing Facility (FN)
- ☐ Extended Care Facility (FX)
- ☐ Hospice Facility (FH)
- ☐ Other Facility (FM)

Outpatient Hospital Services

- ☐ Emergency ER Facility (FE)
- ☐ Outpatient Hospital Facility (FO)
- ☐ Outpatient Surgery Facility (FS)

Professional Services

- ☐ Professional Office (PZ)
- ☐ Professional Inpatient (PI)
- ☐ Professional Outpatient (PO)
- ☐ Professional Ancillary Service (PA)
- ☐ Professional Extended Care (PX)

Other Services

- ☐ Home Health (HH)
- ☐ Outpatient/Professional Pharmacy (DD)
- ☐ Retail pharmacy (DX)
- ☐ Outpatient/Professional Laboratory (LL)
- ☐ Outpatient/Professional Radiology (RR)
- ☐ Outpatient/Professional DME (EE)



3M Patient Focused Episodes – Cohort-based episodes

Includes members who share a common disease, condition, or characteristic

- Cohort episodes are defined in a time window
 - Includes all costs – no arbitrary attempt to divide costs into comorbidities
 - Cohort PFEs therefore suitable for the most complex and most expensive patients
- Episode Diagnostic Categories (EDCs) and Diagnostic Subgroups (DSGs) used to assign cohort episodes
- Members can be assigned to more than one cohort during the analysis period

Chronic (n = 93)

- Occurs when specific EDCs appear in CRG results
- Enables analysis over, e.g., 180 days
- All chronic PFEs have the same start date (e.g., January 1)

Examples

- 4240 Diabetes
- 6060 Sickle Cell Anemia

Acute (n = 23)

- Starts when the progression of a chronic disease results in a major acute manifestation
- Enables analysis over, e.g., 180 days, unlike event-based PFEs that may be terminated by a new event

Examples

- 0420 Cerebrovascular Infarction
- 3260 Hepatitis

Pregnancy (n = 6)

- Starts with first pregnancy DSG
- Ends with delivery or termination
- Post-pregnancy time (e.g., 30 days) can be included

Examples

- 5401 High Risk Pregnancy w Delivery
- 5461 Normal Pregnancy w Delivery

Population (n = 1)

- All individuals are included in the population cohort, regardless of whether or not they had other episodes
- Enables analysis across the entire population

Example

- 0000 Population

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Cohort-based episodes

| Example of Cohort Windows, Episodes | | | | | | | |
|---|---|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|------------|
| Cohort | Window (User Choice) | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
| Chronic | 180 days | ★ DSG COPD | | | | | |
| Acute | 90 days | | | ★ DSG Pneumonia | | | |
| Pregnancy | From first DSG to delivery plus 30 days post-partum | | ★ DSG Pregnancy at 22 weeks | | | | ★ Delivery |
| Population | 180 days | | | | | | |
| Notes | | | | | | | |
| 1. DSG = Diagnostic Subgroup. EDC = Episode Diagnostic Category. COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease | | | | | | | |
| 2. The CRG analysis window is not shown. Its relationship to the cohort window depends on whether the analysis is concurrent or prospective. See the PFE Setup Guide for details. | | | | | | | |

Options for PFE Specification

- Cohort selection: Chronic, Acute, Pregnancy, Population
- Window length: Acute-15, 30, 60, 90; Chronic, Population-90, 180, 365; Pregnancy-Term, Term + 30
- Prospective or concurrent and window for CRG: 90, 180, 365
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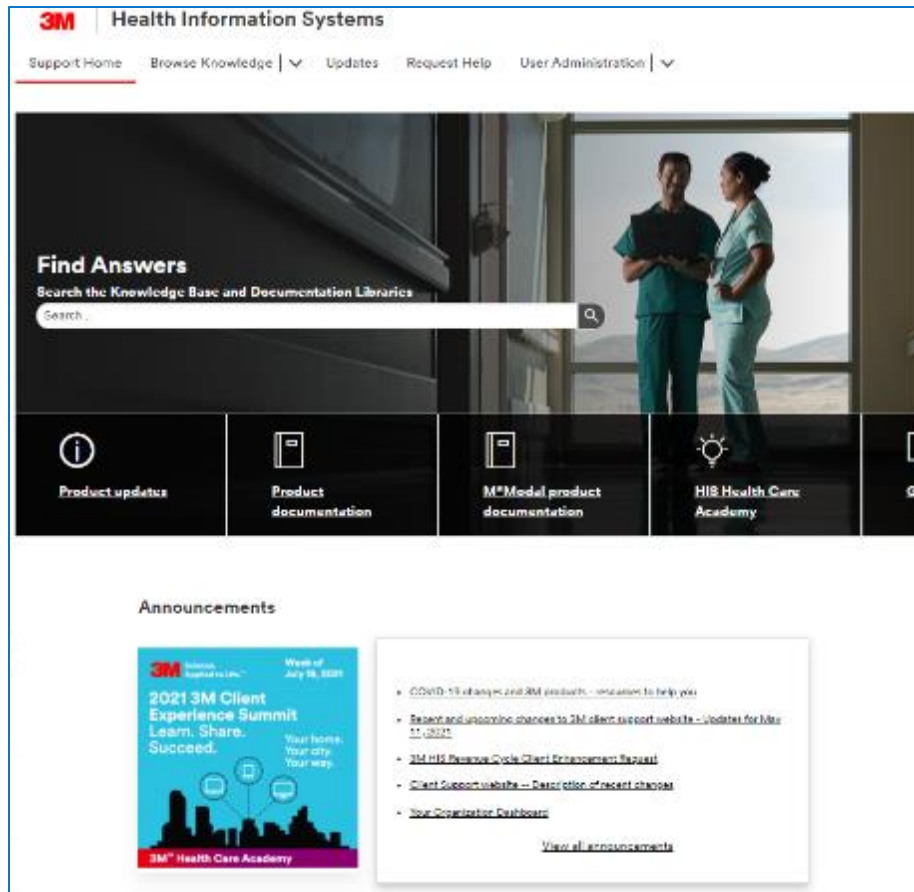
3M Patient Focused Episodes – Recent developments

- v2.0.1 new in 2022:
 - New Episode flag to identify Post Acute Care Facility SNF Admissions
- Activities toward future development includes:
 - Expanded weights across episodes, by payer type
 - Additional Post Acute Care event useful metrics
 - Targeted Episode Cohort research
 - Maternity
 - Oncology
 - Chronic Kidney Disease

Q & A

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APR DRG (includes Risk of Mortality - ROM)

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Webinar recordings: [3M APR DRGs 101](#)

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Release cycle: new version released annually

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Methodology overview: [v3.16](#) | [v3.15](#)

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Release cycle: annual code update

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Appendix CRGs – Additional use and logic detail

3M Clinical Risk Groups use in capitated payment

- Since 2008, NY Medicaid has used CRGs to calculate case mix-adjusted MCO capitation rates
- PMPM base rate x risk score = PMPM payment
 - FY base rate reflects historical average cost by region and eligibility group, trended forward with adjustments
 - FY risk score is the historical average CRG case mix
- Example: TANF children in Mid-Hudson region
 - Plan A: $\$188.86 \times 0.9452 = \178.51
 - Plan B: $\$188.86 \times 1.0732 = \202.68
 - Each plan may also receive plan-specific add-ons, e.g., quality incentives
- Creates strong incentive to economize while paying more to plans that serve sicker members

Why Pay by CRG?

- More fairly reimburse plans with a more severe case mix of members
- Variation in reimbursement from plan to plan is based on member health status rather than inefficiencies

-- NY Department of Health
submission to CMS, 3/31/2009

3M Clinical Risk Groups use in children's hospital research

- Researchers used CRGs to conclude that the greatest growth in inpatient growth at 28 children's hospitals was in the cohort of children with chronic conditions in two or more body systems

-- Berry et al., *JAMA Pediatrics*, 2012

- "The CRG grouper is a powerful tool for identifying and tracking patients over time."

-- Children's Hospital Association, *Coordinating All Resources Effectively for Children with Medical Complexity*, 2016

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Inpatient Growth and Resource Use in 28 Children's Hospitals

A Longitudinal, Multi-institutional Study

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Objective: To compare inpatient resource use trends for healthy children and children with chronic health conditions of varying degrees of medical complexity.

Design: Retrospective cohort analysis.

Setting: Twenty-eight US children's hospitals.

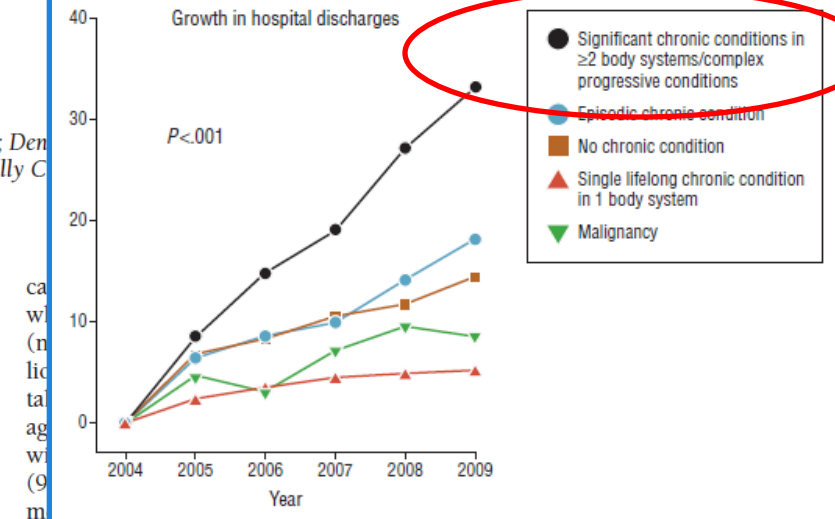
Patients: A total of 1 526 051 unique patients hospitalized from January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2009, who were assigned to 1 of 5 chronic condition groups using 3M's Clinical Risk Group software.

Intervention: None.

Main Outcome Measures: Trends in the number of patients, hospitalizations, hospital days, and charges analyzed with linear regression.

Results: Between 2004 and 2009, hospitals experienced a greater increase in the number of children hospitalized with vs without a chronic condition (19.2% vs 13.7% cumulative increase, $P < .001$). The greatest cumulative increase (32.5%) was attributable to children with a signifi-

Defined by CRG



spectively, observed among these patients.

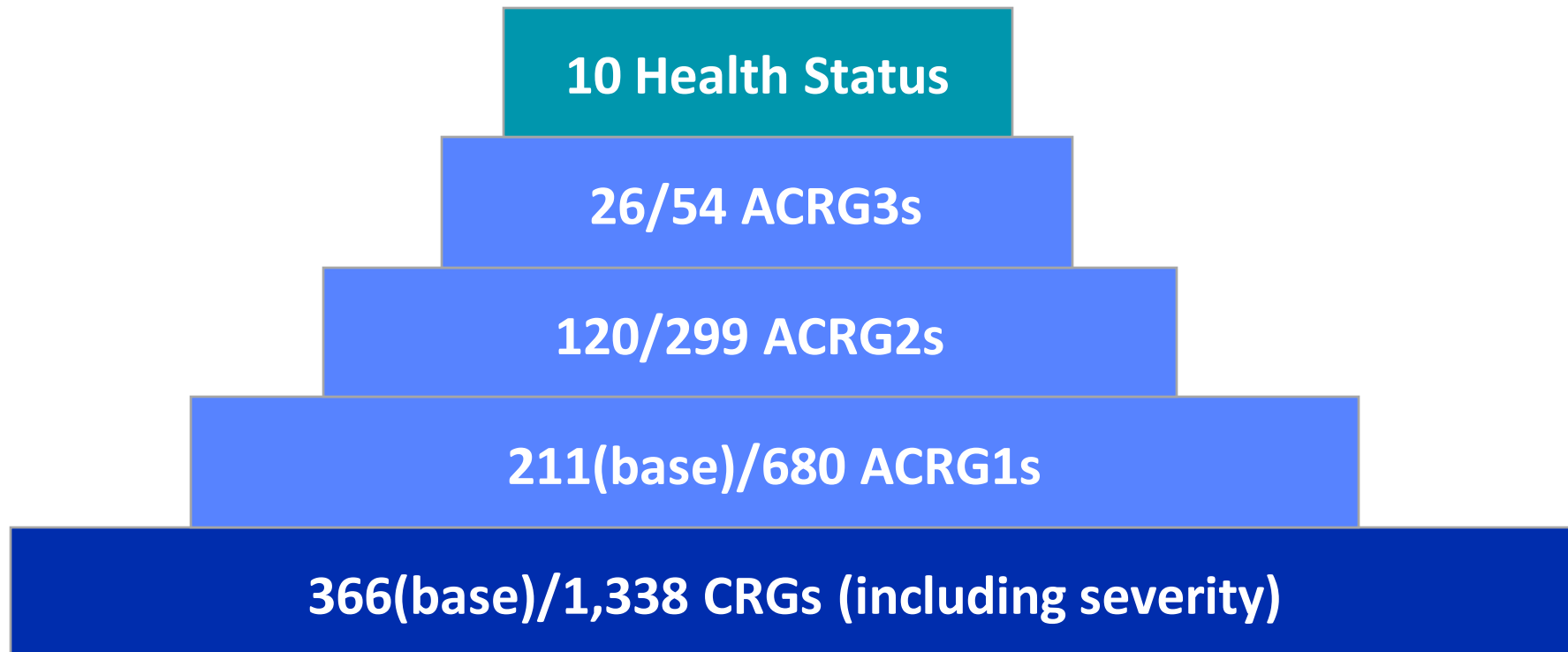
Conclusions: Patients with a chronic condition increasingly used more resources in a group of children's hospitals than patients without a chronic condition. The greatest growth was observed in hospitalized children with chronic conditions affecting 2 or more body systems. Children's hospitals must ensure that their inpatient care systems and payment structures are equipped to meet the protean needs of this important population of children.

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3M Clinical Risk Groups – Aggregations for flexibility in use

CRG Aggregations

v2.2 Concurrent



3M Clinical Risk Groups – Aggregation example

- CRGs can be rolled up at several levels of aggregation, at either the base or base + severity level

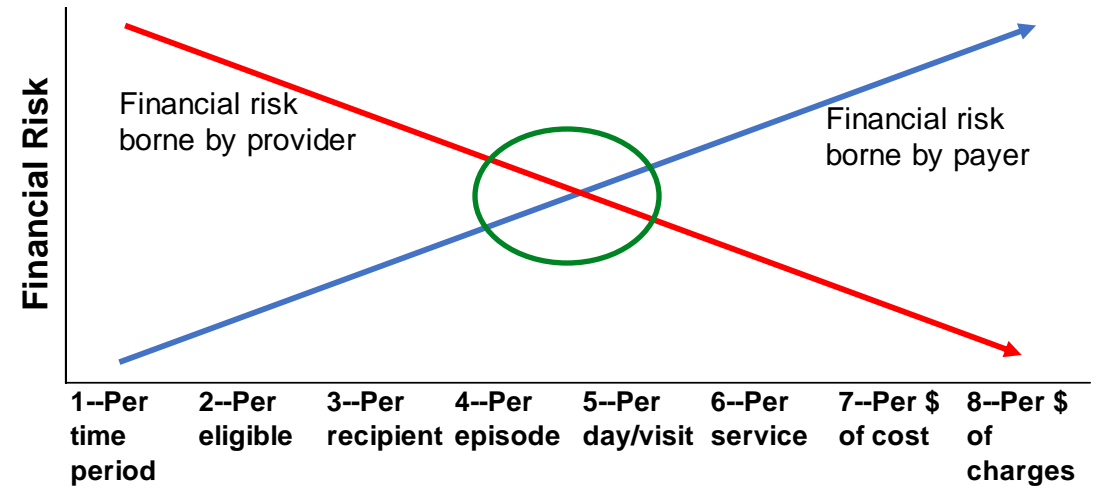
| Aggregation level | Example: person with illnesses in 3 body systems | | | CRG v2.2: number of groups | | | |
|---------------------|--|-----------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | CRG assignments for this individual | | | Concurrent Version | | Prospective Version | |
| | Base | Base + Severity | Description | Base | Base + Severity | Base | Base + Severity |
| CRG | 7060 | 70602 | CHF - diabetes – COPD (severity 2) | 366 | 1,338 | 356 | 1,328 |
| ACRG1 | 70100 | 701002 | Triple – CHF and COPD and diabetes (severity 2) | 171 | 680 | 179 | 670 |
| ACRG2 | 700 | 7002 | CHF and two other dominant chronic diseases (severity 2) | 93 | 299 | 102 | 289 |
| ACRG3 | 72 | | Dominant chronic disease in three or more organ systems (severity 2) | 20 | 54 | 23 | 50 |
| Health Status Group | 7 | | Dominant chronic disease in three or more organ systems | 10 | | 10 | |

Appendix PFEs – Additional use and logic detail

3M Patient Focused Episodes – payment middle ground

- Episode = A single comprehensive unit of service for the treatment of a patient
- Episodes rendered:
 - Across a specified time interval
 - Across multiple settings
 - Across multiple providers
- Episode bundled payment is middle ground of financial risk between payer and provider

The Split of Financial Risk Between Payer and Provider Depends on the Unit of Payment



Source: Quinn K, "The 8 Basic Payment Methods in Health Care," *Annals of Internal Medicine*, 2015

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Post acute care service cost

“How do I calculate casemix-adjusted expected values?
Where are we doing well and where could we do better?”

“We multiply our volume of episodes times the benchmark spending per episode. Let’s look at health status 7 as an example. We see that spending on hospital outpatient care is \$224,350 less than expected (that’s good) but readmission spending is \$609,130 more than expected. That’s an opportunity”

Actual = 30 x \$2,700
Expected = 30 x \$2,841

| Our Health Plan: Total Spending for Post-Event Care, Actual vs Expected | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--|
| ACRG4 | Service Type | Act & Exp | Severity 1 | Severity 2 | Severity 3 | Severity 4 | Severity 5 | Total | |
| Status 7: | Total episodes | | 10 | 30 | 100 | 110 | 300 | 550 | |
| Three or More Dominant Chronic Diseases | Hosp outpatient | Actual | \$ 40,000 | \$ 81,000 | \$ 280,000 | \$ 319,000 | \$ 1,050,000 | \$ 1,770,000 | |
| | | Expected | \$ 66,450 | \$ 85,230 | \$ 296,400 | \$ 318,670 | \$ 1,227,600 | \$ 1,994,350 | |
| | | Act - Exp | \$ (26,450) | \$ (4,230) | \$ (16,400) | \$ 330 | \$ (177,600) | \$ (224,350) | |
| | Readmissions | Actual | \$ 89,000 | \$ 420,000 | \$ 1,300,000 | \$ 1,540,000 | \$ 7,800,000 | \$ 11,149,000 | |
| | | Expected | \$ 89,030 | \$ 381,690 | \$ 1,260,900 | \$ 1,478,950 | \$ 7,329,300 | \$ 10,539,870 | |
| | | Act - Exp | \$ (30) | \$ 38,310 | \$ 39,100 | \$ 61,050 | \$ 470,700 | \$ 609,130 | |

3M Patient Focused Episodes – Logic process

