

Bend the

Health Care Cost Curve

by Reducing Care Variation

National Analysis in Brief

20.6M

Number of patient discharges analyzed from 468 hospitals with 100+ beds

Quality First

Top-performing hospitals on four patient outcomes used for cost benchmarks*

82%

Percentage of 983 diagnosis subgroups analyzed where top-quality performers delivered lower-cost care

91%

Percentage of 801 diagnosis subgroups where top-quality performers achieved savings through lower variance

\$16.1M

Average savings opportunity per hospital by closing cost gap on 30 diagnosis groups

Quantifying Your Care Variation Reduction (CVR) Opportunity

Benchmarking average hospital costs against top-quality performers by APR-DRG

Top 30 CVR Savings Opportunities Nationally		Cost Gap per Patient	Average Savings Opportunity per Hospital	National Savings Opportunity Estimate
1	Septicemia and disseminated infections	\$3,057	\$1,868K	\$3,891M
2	Percutaneous cardiovascular procedures w/o AMI	\$6,079	\$697K	\$1,294M
3	Heart failure	\$1,634	\$610K	\$1,266M
4	Major small and large bowel procedures	\$4,364	\$592K	\$1,227M
5	Dorsal and lumbar fusion proc except for curvature of back	\$4,926	\$587K	\$1,128M
6	Cesarean delivery	\$949	\$608K	\$1,120M
7	Vaginal delivery	\$516	\$594K	\$1,115M
8	Craniotomy except for trauma	\$10,385	\$641K	\$1,072M
9	CVA and precerebral occlusion w/infarct	\$2,519	\$504K	\$1,043M
10	Neonate, BWT >2499g, normal newborn or neonate w/other problem	\$340	\$560K	\$1,024M
11	Knee joint replacement	\$1,495	\$418K	\$856M
12	Respiratory system diagnosis w/ventilator support 96+ hours	\$13,445	\$332K	\$688M
13	Other pneumonia	\$1,226	\$316K	\$659M
14	Schizophrenia	\$2,600	\$340K	\$655M
15	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	\$1,181	\$312K	\$648M
16	Percutaneous cardiovascular procedures w/AMI	\$2,276	\$353K	\$626M
17	Renal failure	\$1,541	\$294K	\$610M
18	Hip joint replacement	\$1,433	\$296K	\$606M
19	Pulmonary edema and respiratory failure	\$1,976	\$288K	\$598M
20	Extracranial vascular procedures	\$5,014	\$298K	\$581M
21	Major depressive disorders and other/unspecified psychoses	\$1,486	\$270K	\$552M
22	Cardiac valve procedures w/o cardiac catheterization	\$8,055	\$396K	\$497M
23	Bipolar disorders	\$1,667	\$243K	\$468M
24	Cervical spinal fusion and other back/neck procedures excl disc excision/decompression	\$2,908	\$235K	\$461M
25	Rehabilitation	\$2,485	\$443K	\$389M
26	Coronary bypass w/cardiac cath or percutaneous cardiac procedure	\$4,703	\$286K	\$371M
27	Cardiac valve procedures w/cardiac catheterization	\$20,589	\$284K	\$356M
28	Coronary bypass w/o cardiac cath or percutaneous cardiac procedure	\$4,641	\$270K	\$343M
29	Kidney transplant	\$6,667	\$449K	\$94M
30	Extensive 3rd degree burns w/skin graft	\$33,120	\$279K	\$35M

*Quality indicators: mortality rate, 30-day readmission rate, complication rate, length of stay.