



# Health Management as a Serious Business Strategy

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# Health Status as a Serious Economic Strategy

The Mission: Regaining Vitality in Americans and America

The Do-Nothing Strategy: **The Failed Focus** **XX**

The Health Status Strategy: **The Emerging Focus** **XX**

The Solution: **The Culture of Health Strategy** **XX**

**Slides available**



# Introductory Comments



# **UM-HMRC Corporate Consortium**

- ✓ Steelcase (H)
- ✓ Progressive (H)
- ✓ Crown Equipment
- ✓ Delphi Automotive
- ✓ Southern Company
- ✓ Foote Health System
- ✓ University of Missouri
- ✓ Medical Mutual of Ohio
- ✓ St Luke's Health System
- ✓ Cuyahoga Community College
- ✓ International Truck and Engine
- ✓ United Auto Workers-General Motors
- ✓ Wisconsin Education Association Trust
- ✓ Australian Health Management Corporation

- ✓ Kellogg
- ✓ US Steel
- ✓ JPM Chase
- ✓ We Energies
- ✓ General Motors
- ✓ Affinity Health Plan
- ✓ Florida Power & Light

\*The consortium members provide health care insurance for over two million Americans. Data are available from eight to 18 years.

Meet on First Wednesday of each December in Ann Arbor

# Health Management a Serious Business Strategy

- 1. Building an Integrated, Sustainable Business Strategy  
(Next Generation Programs,  
Champion Companies, Zero Trends) Six Hours**
- 2. Complete Strategy and Next Generation Four Hours**
- 3. Fundamental Strategy and Next Generation Two Hours**
- 4. Business Strategy and Next Generation 90 minutes**
- 5. Short Business Strategy and Next Generation 75 minutes**
- 6. Executive Summary 45 minutes**
- 7. Executive Summary of Executive Summary 20 minutes**



**Since September 1, 2003**

**400 Presentations  
45,000 People  
20,000 Organizations**

**“...To change the conversation  
around health...”**



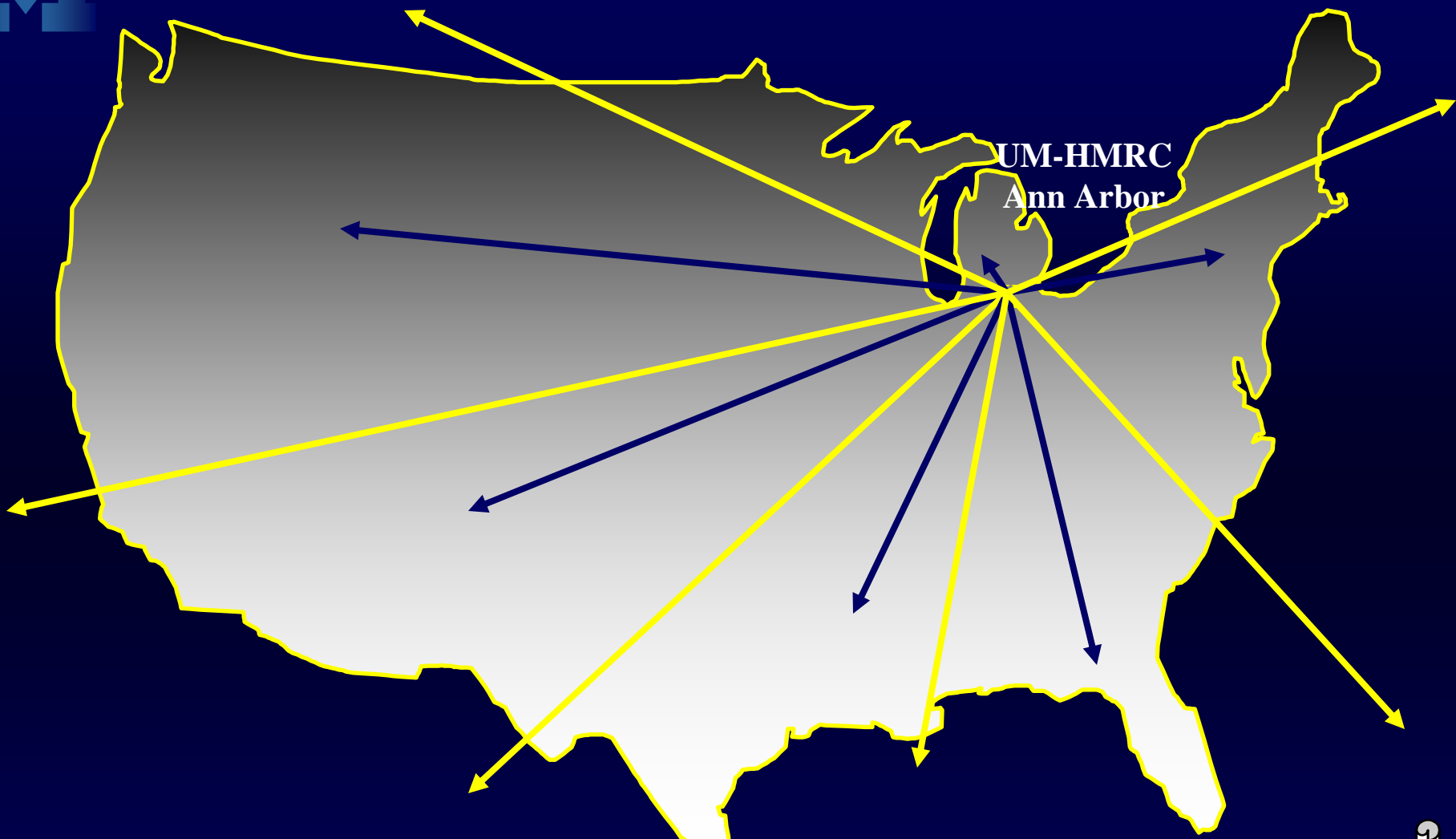
# To Change the Conversation

From Health as the Absence of Disease **to**  
**Health as Vitality and Energy**

From the Cost of Health Care **to the**  
**Total Value of Health**

From Individual Participation **to**  
**Population Engagement**

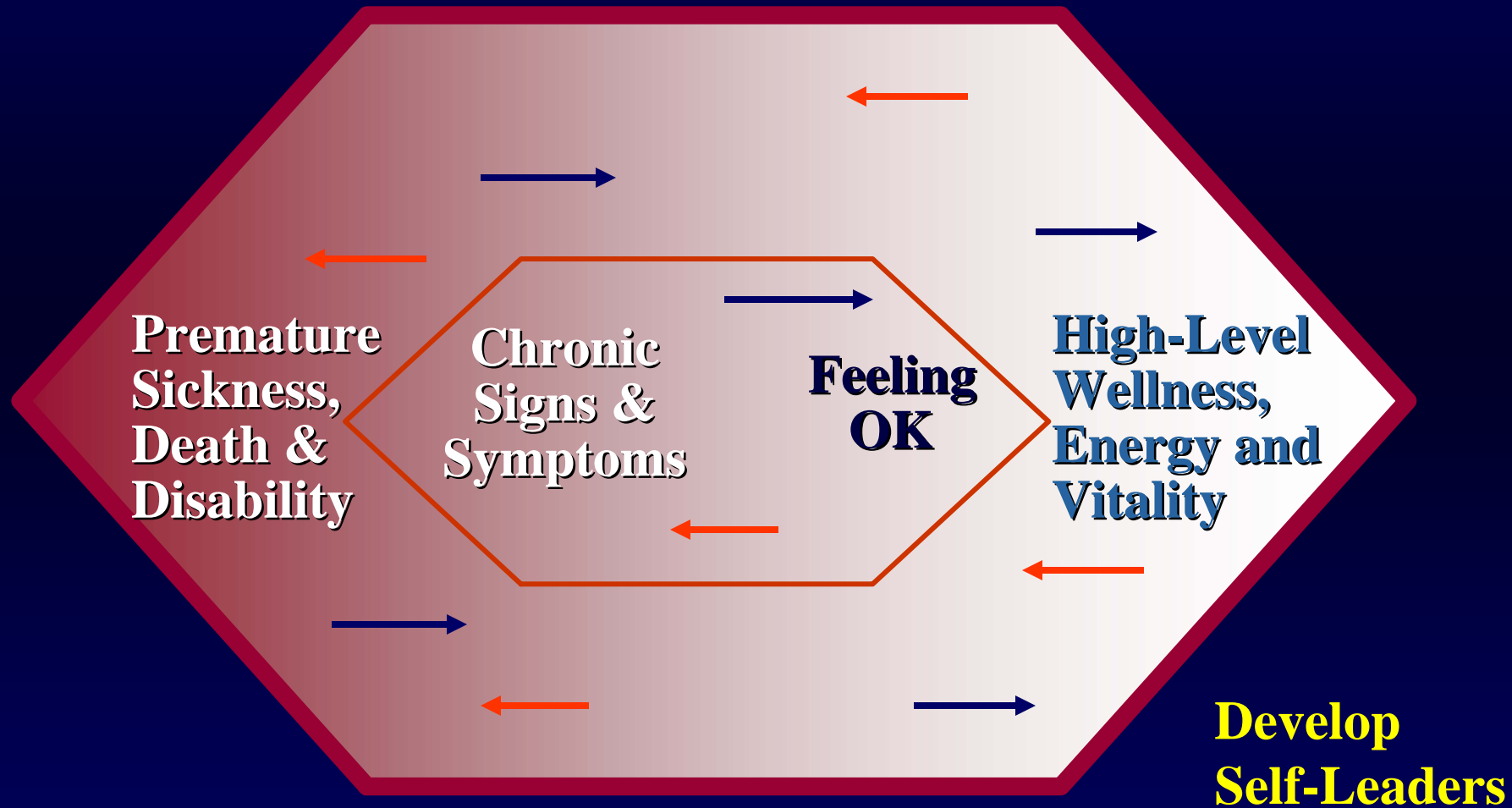
From Behavior Change to  
**Culture of Health**



**New way to do Health and Productivity Management  
In America and Throughout the World**



# Lifestyle Scale for Individuals and Populations: Self-Leaders





# Section I

## The Do-Nothing Strategy: The Failed Focus



# Estimated Health Problems

## Self -Reported

## Health Problems

Allergies	33.2%
Back Pain	26.9%
Cholesterol	16.2%
Heart Burn/Acid Reflux	15.2%
Blood Pressure	14.5%
Arthritis	14.5%
Depression	10.7%
Migraine Headaches	9.4%
Asthma	7.0%
Chronic Pain	6.4%
Diabetes	3.8%
Heart Problems	3.3%
Osteoporosis	1.8%
Bronchitis/Emphysema	1.7%
Cancer	1.3%
Past Stroke	0.7%
Zero Medical Conditions	31.9%

UM-HMRC  
Estimated Medical  
Economics Report



# Estimated Health Risks

Health Risk Measure	High Risk
Body Weight	41.8%
Stress	31.8%
Safety Belt Usage	28.6%
Physical Activity	23.3%
Blood Pressure	22.8%
Life Satisfaction	22.4%
Smoking	14.4%
Perception of Health	13.7%
Illness Days	10.9%
Existing Medical Problem	9.2%
Cholesterol	8.3%
Alcohol	2.9%
Zero Risk	14.0%

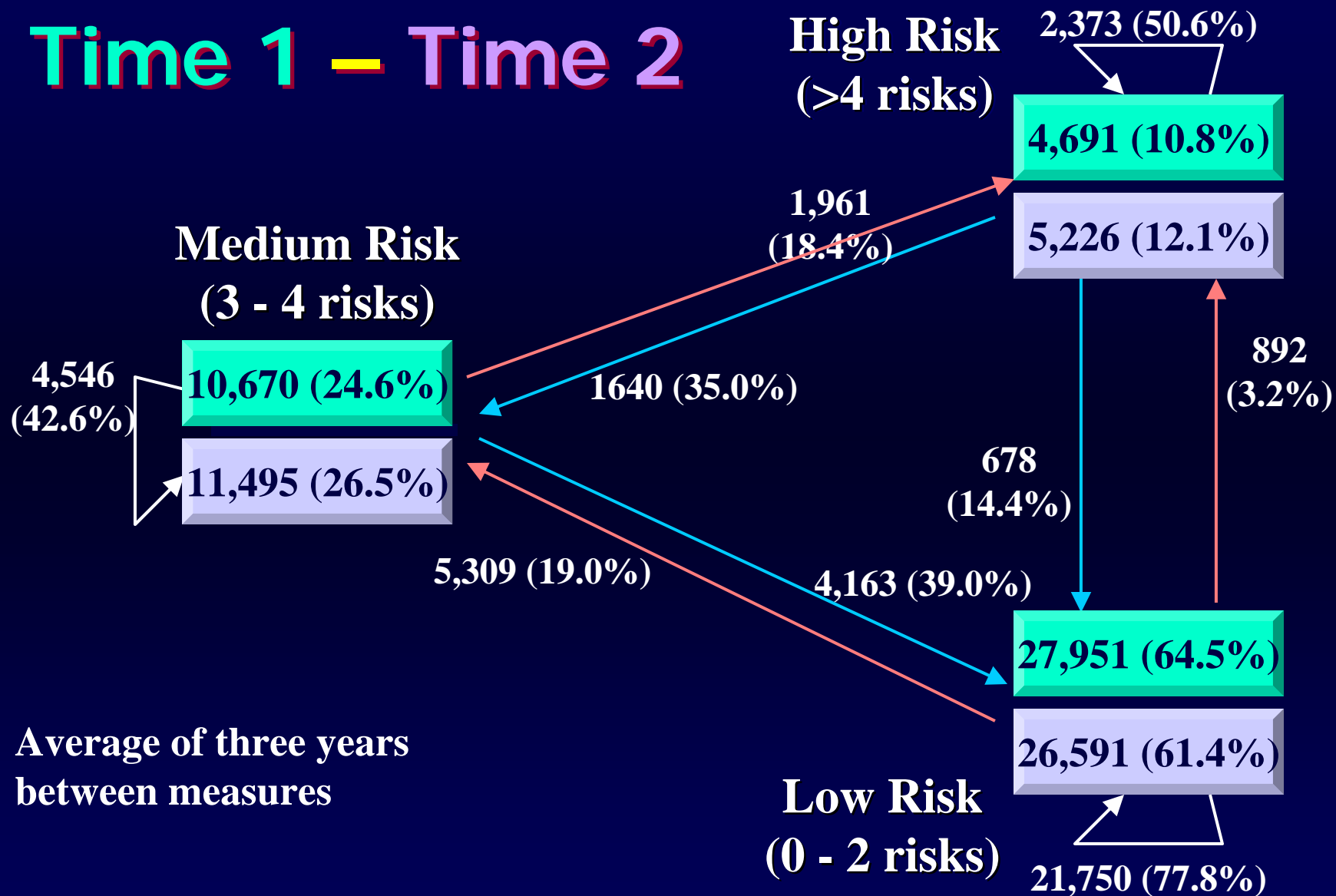
## OVERALL RISK LEVELS

Low Risk	55.3%
Medium Risk	27.7%
High Risk	17.0%

UM-HMRC Estimated  
Medical Economics  
Report

# Risk Transitions

## Time 1 – Time 2



# Total Population Management



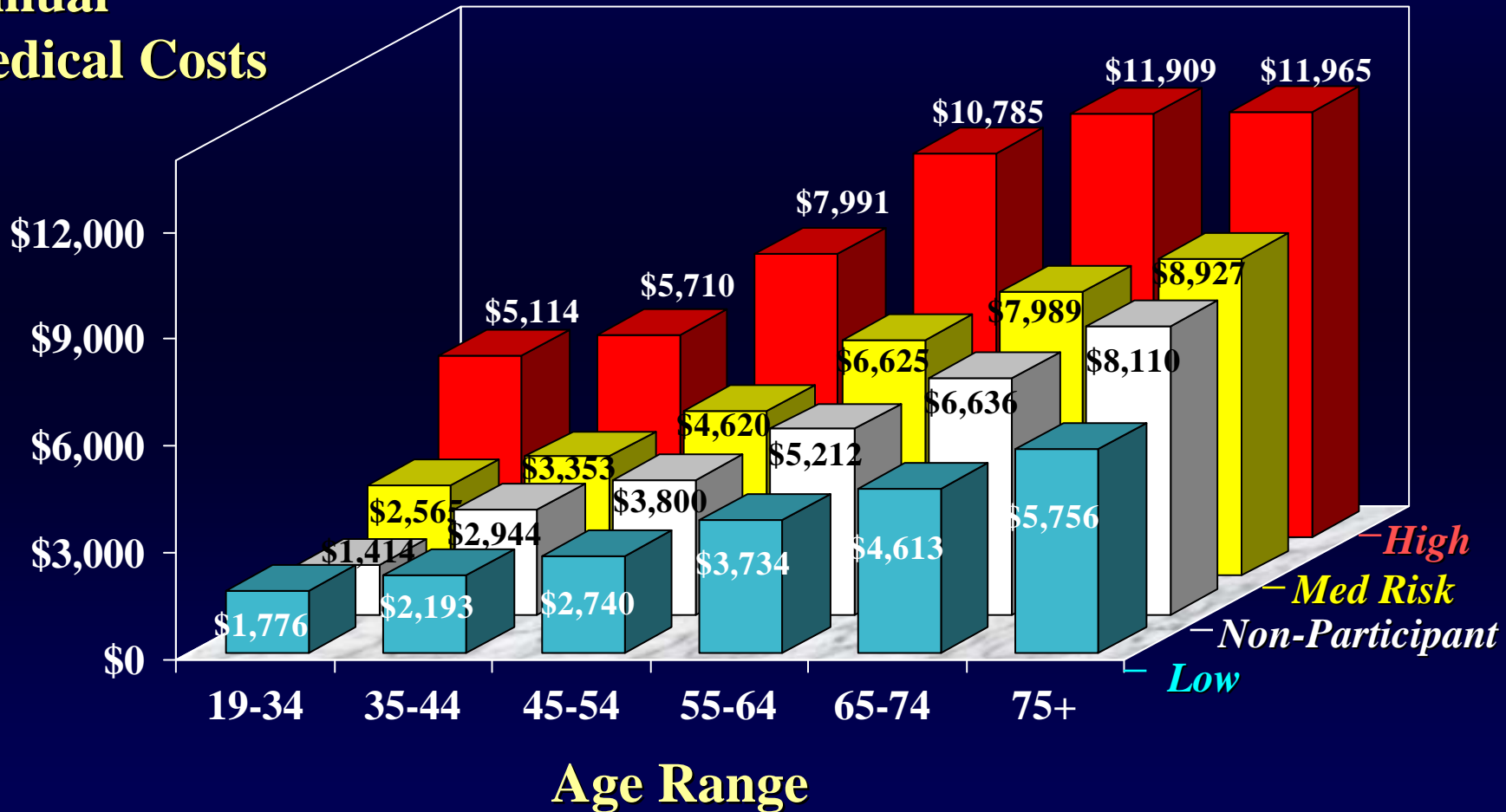
Medical and Drug Costs only



# Costs Associated with Risks

## Medical Paid Amount x Age x Risk

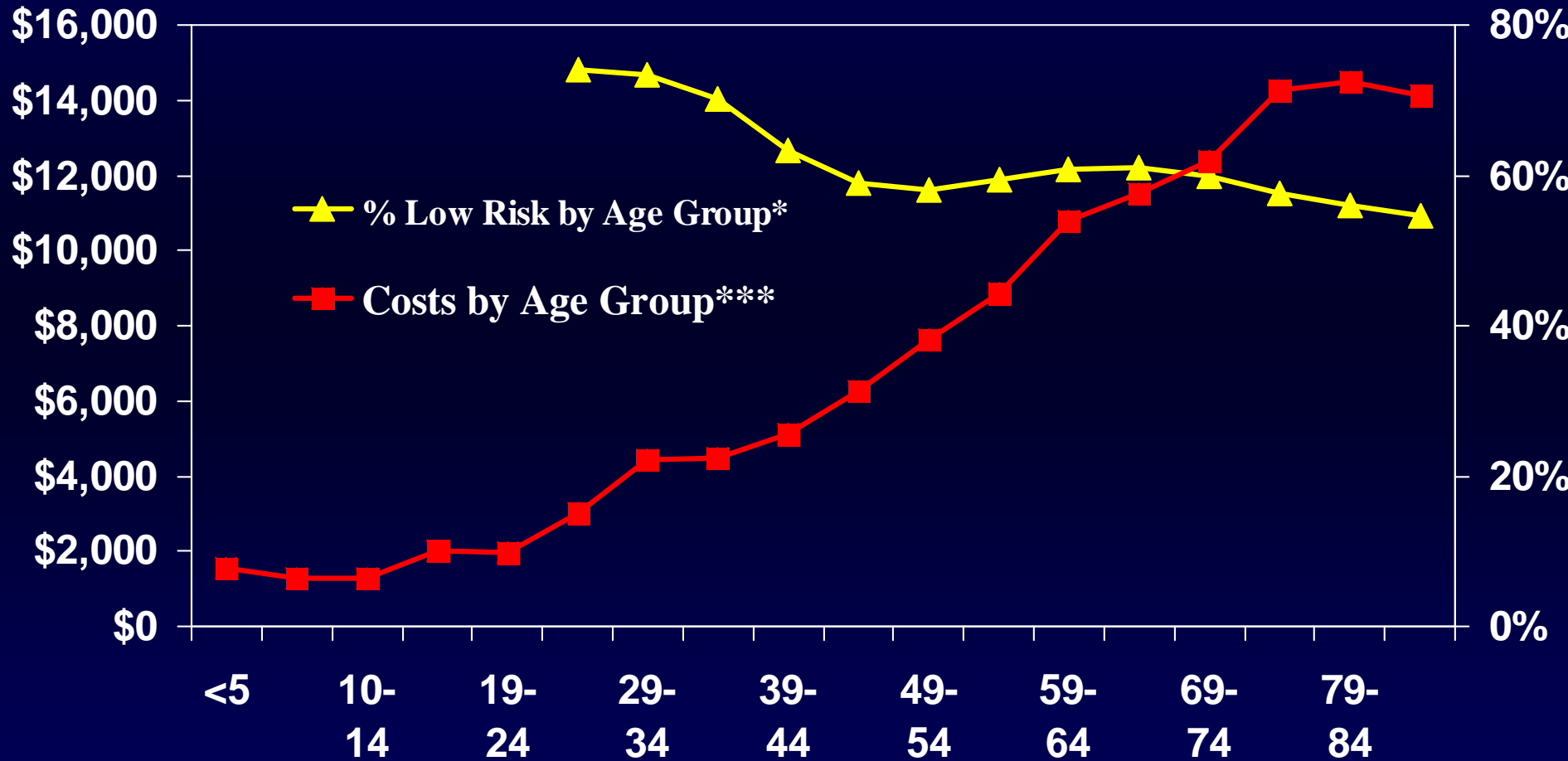
Annual  
Medical Costs



# Distribution: Age, Costs, & Risk Status

% of Population and Costs (All Covered Lives)

% Low Risk



N=1.2M individuals in total population.

N=300K in risk population





# Summary of the Do-Nothing Strategy

**The flow of Risks is to High-Risk**

**The flow of Costs is to High-Cost**

**Costs follow Risks and Age**



**This is the Way Americans Have  
been Living their Lives for 60  
Years (1945 to 2005)**

**Can We Afford the  
Economic Consequences of the  
Do-Nothing Strategy?**



**The world we have made as a result of the  
level of thinking we have done thus far  
creates problems we cannot solve  
at the same level of thinking  
at which we created them.**

**- Albert Einstein**

# **Welcome to the WW27 List of Speakers**

**Amy Schultz MD representing Foote Hospital, Jackson MI**

**Deborah Napier representing Southern/Gulf Power, Pensacola FL**

**Blake Glass and Ken Holtyn representing Kalamazoo Valley CC,  
Kalamazoo, MI**

**Bob Scroosh representing Affinia Corporation, Ann Arbor MI**

**Michele, MaryKay, David, and Tracey representing City of Dubin,  
Dublin OH**

**Jim Heap MD and Karen O'Flaherty representing Crown  
Equipment, New Bremen OH**

**Susan Hagen, Amanda Cyr, representing UM-HMRC, Ann Arbor,  
MI plus Dee, if any time remaining**



# Section II

## Key Business Concepts

### To Build the Business Case



**Business Concept**

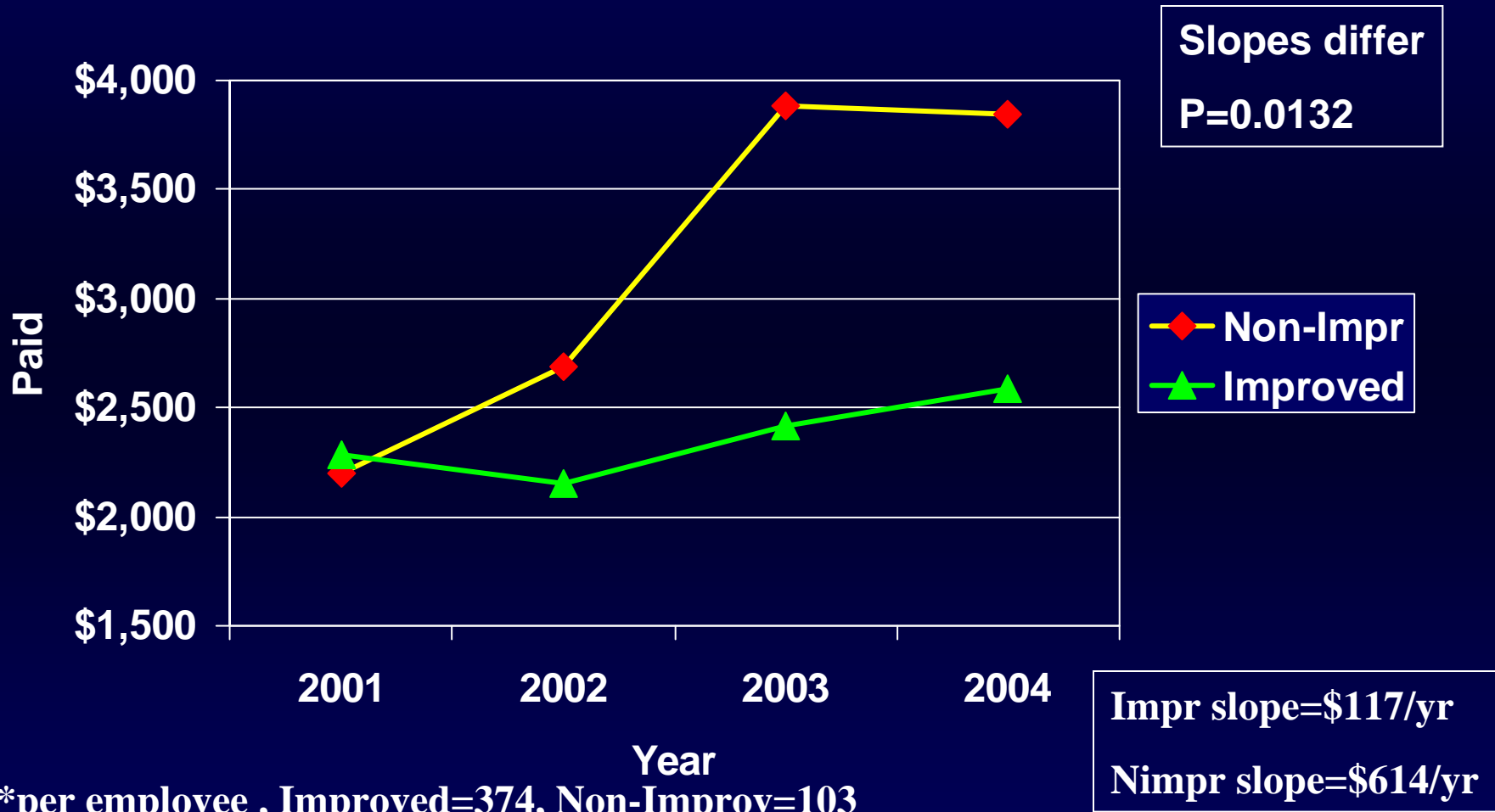
**Change in Costs**

**follow**

**“Don’t Get Worse”**



# Medical and Drug Cost (Paid)\*

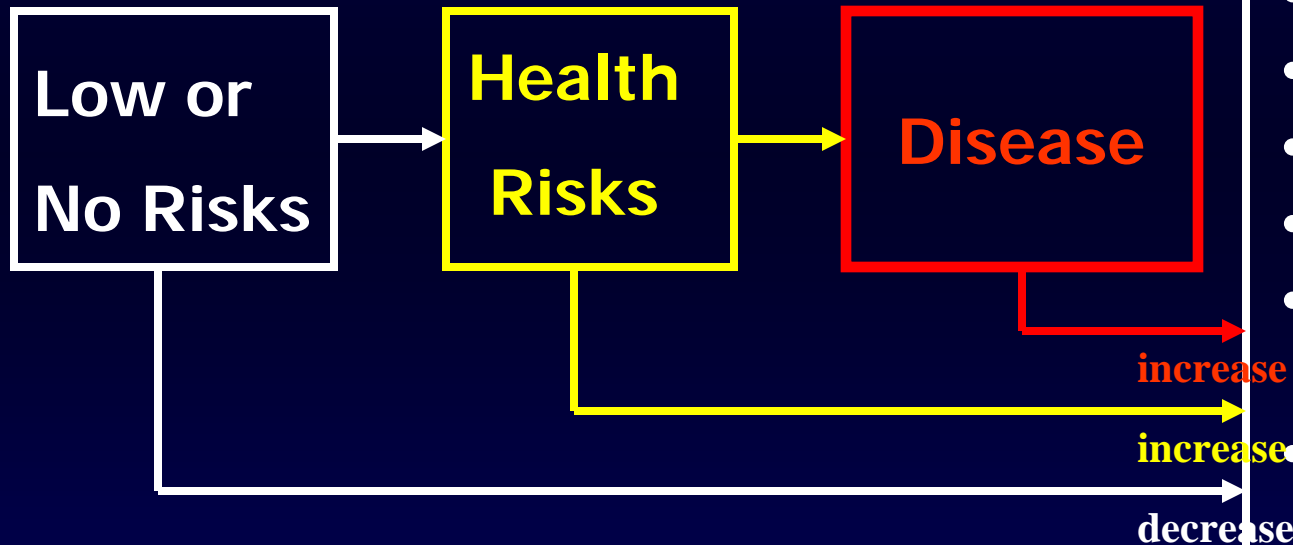


\*per employee , Improved=374, Non-Improv=103  
HRA in 2002 and 2004

Improved=Same or lowered risks

\*Medical and Drug, not adjusted for inflation

# The Economics of Total Population Engagement and Total Value of Health



## Total Value of Health

- Sickness Costs
- Drug Costs
- Absence Cost
- Disability Costs
- Worker's Comp Costs
- Recruitment and Retention of Members

Where is the Investment?





# Summary

## Business Case for Health Management

**Excess Costs are related to Excess Risks**

**Costs follow Engagement and Risks**

**Controlling Risks leads to Zero Trend**



# Section III

**The Solution:**

**The Culture of Health Focus**



## **Objective:**

# **Key Thoughts**

**Our mission is to create Shareholder value.**

**We get value from creative and innovative products.**

**We get products from healthy and productive people**

## **Strategy:**

**Culture of Health to drive Objective**

**Partners: health plans; benefit consultants; primary care physicians; pharmaceutical companies; health enhancement companies**

## **Outcomes to get to Zero Trend:**

**90%-95% engagement and 75% to 85% low-risk**

**Keep the healthy people healthy**

**Don't get worse**



# Creating and Maintaining a Culture of Health and Productivity

**Driven from the Leadership (Management and Union)**

**Vision of a Culture of Healthy, Productivity and Well-Being**

**Environment Aligned with a Culture of Health**

**Measurement and Incentives for Quality Improvement**

**Incentives**

**Measurement**

**Driven from the Population**

**Individual-Based Strategies: Health Risk Appraisal System**

**Population-Based Strategies**



# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 1. Senior Leadership Vision

# Vision from the Senior Leadership

- **Clear Vision within Leadership**
- **Vision Connected with Company Strategy**
- **Vision Shared with Employees**
- **Accountability and Responsibility Assigned to Operations Leadership**
- **Management and Leadership of the Company and Unions**



# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 2. Environmental Strategies

# Environment Interventions

- **Mission and Values Aligned with a Healthy and Productive Culture**
- **Policies and Procedures Aligned with Healthy and Productive Culture**
  - Vending Machines
  - Cafeteria
  - Stairwells
  - Job Design
  - Flexible Working Hours
  - Smoking Policies
- **Benefit Design Aligned with a Healthy and Productive Culture**
- **Management and Employees prepared for a Culture of health (small group meetings, shared vision, expectations,**



# Create an Integrated and Sustainable Approach



*Long Term Strategy—  
Short Term Solutions*



# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 3. Health Risk Appraisal System

### (Individual-Based Program)

# Components of HRA Engagement

**Health Risk Appraisal**

**Plus**

**Biometrics Screening and Counseling**

**Plus**

**Contact the Health Advisor**

**Plus**

**Two Other Activities**



**Business Concept**

**Culture of Health**

**Health Advocacy Interventions**

# Coaching Strategies for Individualized Intervention

## Contact from each individual (at least three times)

Unlimited contacts by level of probability of being high cost within the next two to three years

## Pay attention to individualize engagement

Use variety of contacts (one on one, telephone and web) for sustainable engagement

## Use situational and whole person approach

Engage individual in positive actions. Ask but don't tell. Use triage, health advocate strategies, develop **Self-Leaders** and use all available resources

## Frequent evaluation of coach/client participation and satisfaction



# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 4. Population Based Programs (Programs for Everyone)

# Population-Based Programs

## **Population Programs Orientation**

**Pedometers, know your numbers, no weight gain**

## **Human Resource Orientation**

**People skills/Communications**

## **Health Communications**

**Written materials, Online portal, etc**

## **Environmental Orientation**

**Stairwells/Vending, Food Services, Other**

# Programs for Populations and Individuals

Weight Management

Physical Activity

Stress Management

Safety Belt Use

Smoking cessation

Ergonomics

Nutrition Education

Social Support

Behavioral Health & EAP

Business Specific Modules

Communications

Career development

Clinic or Medical Center

Condition Management

Financial Management





# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 5. Incentives



# Influence of Incentives

1. No incentive
2. Passive incentive
3. Small item incentive
4. Cash incentive
5. Benefit Plan
6. Benefit Plan plus cost reduction
7. Combination of Benefits and Cash



# Incentives

## Annual Incentive

**Benefit Options (Co-pays, Deductibles, HSA contributions, ...)**

**Premium Reductions/Premium Plan  
(\$600 to \$2000)**

## Throughout the Year

**Hats and T-Shirts**

**Cash, debit cards  
(\$25 to \$200)**



# Culture of Health and Productivity

## 6. Measurement, Evaluation and Decision Support



# Scorecard

**Percent Participation:** **80% to 95%**

Over a rolling three years

HRA + Three Coaching sessions + Two other sessions

**Percent Low-Risk:** **70% to 85%**

Percent of the eligible population

**Estimated Cost of Program:** **\$400**

Dollars per Eligible employee

**Estimated Savings:** **\$800**

Dollars per Eligible Employee



# Summary



# Sound Bites

1. The **“Do Nothing”** strategy is unsustainable.
2. Refocus the definition of health from **“Absence of Disease to High Level Vitality.”**
3. **“Total Population Management”** is the effective healthcare strategy and to capture the **“Total Value of Health”**
4. The business case for Health Management indicates that the critical strategy is to **“Keep the Healthy People Healthy”** (“keep the low-risk people low-risk”).
5. The first step is, **“Don’t Get Worse”** and then **“Let’s Create Winners, One Step at a Time.”**



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# What's the Point?



# Still Growing



**2006**

Zero Trend  
Don't Get Worse  
Champion Companies  
Keep Healthy People Healthy

**2007-2009**

Culture of Health

**2005**

Pre-retirement participation influences post-retirement participation  
Presenteeism. Cost changes follow risk changes  
Interventions have severe "step down" participation

**2004**

Proof of Concept must bend the cost trends  
Health Mgmt Scorecard by 90% to 100% participation and 75% to 85% low-risk

**2003**

Improved population health status results from Employer sponsored programs

**2002**

Focus on the person, not risk or disease.  
Cost changes follow risk changes. Time away from work respond the same as medical costs.

**2001**

Natural flow established for risks & costs. Cluster identification

**2000**

Total value of health defined to the organization

**1999**

Presenteeism as a measure of productivity & influenced by risks & disease

**1998**

Participation relates to risk & cost moderation  
Program opportunities --preventive services, low-risk maintenance, high-risk intervention, disease management

**1997**

Benchmarking by wellness score & company health score

**1996**

Low risk maintenance  
Resource optimization. Targeted, specific risk combinations drive change in costs (Trend Management System)

**1995**

Risk combinations are the most dangerous predictors of cost

**1994**

Cost changes follow risk changes (medical & pharmacy)

**1993**

Absenteeism shows same relationships to risks as medical costs  
Excess costs are related to excess risks

**1991**

**1980**

Develop, implement & disseminate HRA from CDC/Carter Center

**1977-1990**

**1990**

Consult & implement Wellness Programs in 20+ companies

Move from mortality outcomes to medical costs, pharmacy & absence as primary outcome measures



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