

Life Lessons: Building an Efficient Medical Staff Engine Serving 12 Diverse Hospitals

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Introduction



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Road Map for the Discussion

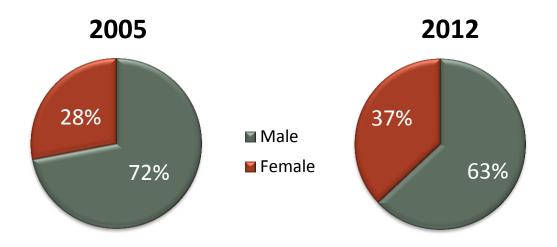
- **☐** Survey Highlights
- ☐ Key Findings and Strategic Recommendations
- ☐ Strategies in Action: BJC Medical Group Case Study
- ☐ Close
 - Discussion
 - Take Home Messages and Tools



Responding Groups are Getting Bigger

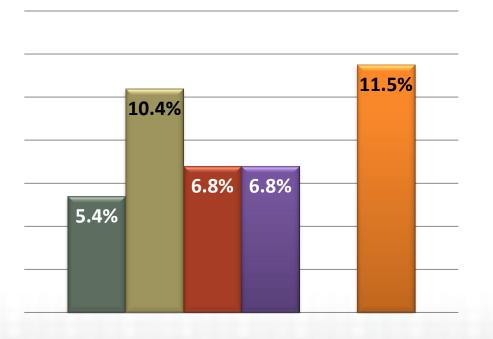
	2005	2012	+/-
Number of reporting groups	95	80	-16%
Total number of physicians employed	13,893	19,596	+41%
Average group size	146	245	+60%

Female Physicians Drive Growth



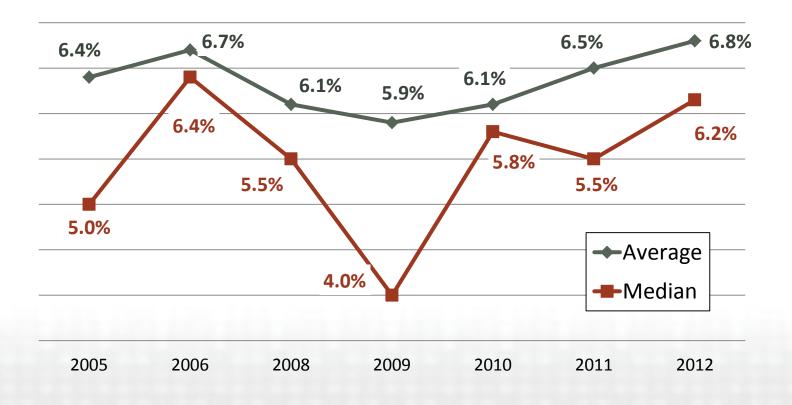
	2005	2012	% Increase
Total number of physicians employed	13,893	19,596	+41%
Male physicians	10,003	12,359	+24%
Female physicians	3,890	7,237	+86%

2012 Average Turnover

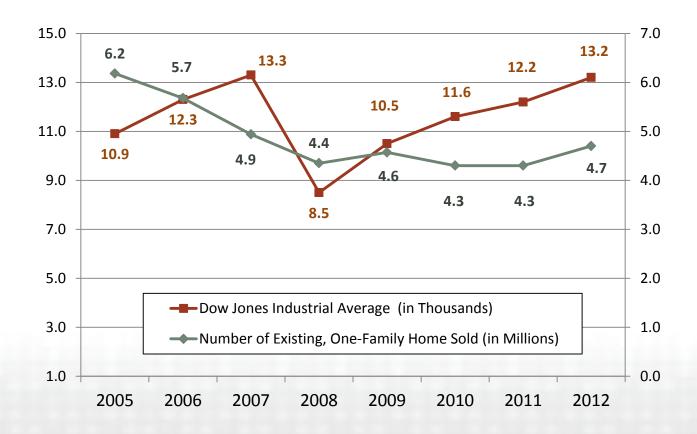


- Primary Care Physicians
- **■** Hospitalists
- **■** Specialists
- **■** Combined Physicians
- Advanced Practitioners

Physician Turnover Rate Over Time



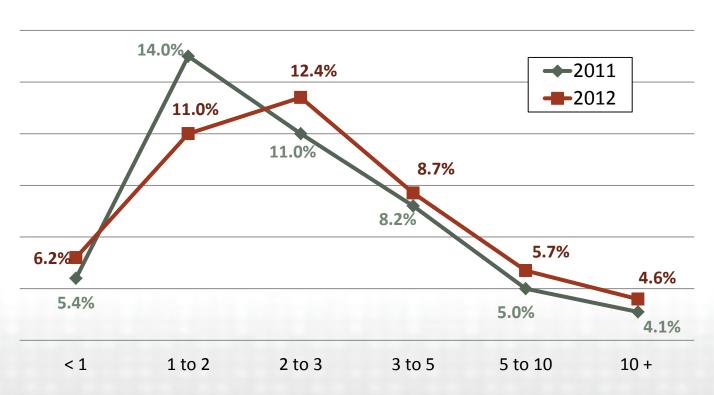
Turnover Tied to Recovery



Source: MarketWatch, December 2012; National Association of Realtors, December 2012

Early Years are [Still] Critical

Turnover Rate by Years of Service



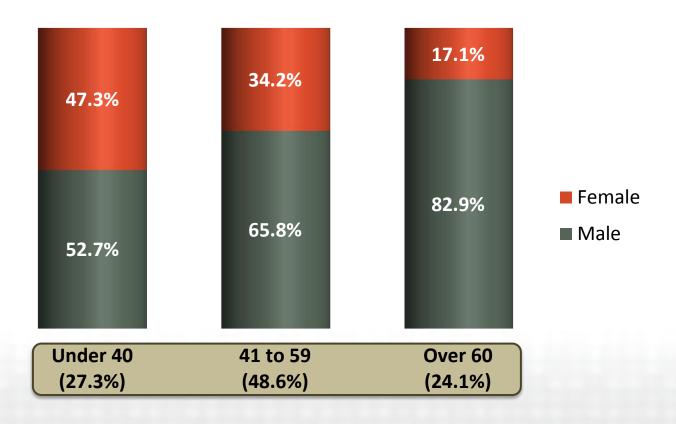


KEY FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS



Competition to hire and keep top performers will intensify

Physician Demographics Today



Source: American Medical Association Masterfile, October 19, 2012

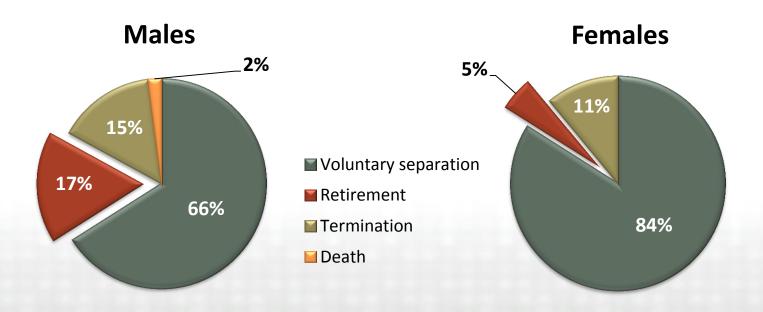
Retirement Will Accelerate

Compared with the prior year, do you expect the percentage of your physician workforce who retire in the upcoming 12 months to:

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	2010	2011	2012
Increase significantly	0%	3%	3%
Increase slightly	27%	27%	34%
Stay the same	65%	62%	55%
Decrease slightly	5%	5%	7%
Decrease significantly	3%	3%	1%

Retirement Will Accelerate

	Total	Males	Females
Turnover Rate:	6.8%	6.9%	6.7%



Demand is Growing: Physicians

Compared with the prior year, please indicate your plans as it relates to staffing in the next 12 months:

	Primary Care		Specialists			Hospitalists	
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2012
Hire significantly more	9%	9%	22%	9%	1%	6%	8%
Hire more	74%	65%	55%	74%	73%	64%	46%
Maintain the same	17%	26%	23%	17%	22%	30%	46%
Reduce	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%

Demand is Growing: Advanced Practitioners

Compared with the prior year, please indicate your plans as it relates to staffing in the next 12 months:

	Physician	Assistants	Nurse Practitioners		
	2011	2012	2011	2012	
Hire significantly more	6%	5%	6%	7%	
Hire more	42%	58%	43%	63%	
Maintain the same	52%	37%	49%	30%	
Reduce	0%	0%	2%	0%	

Evolution of Care Teams



 Groups describe Hospitalist Programs as "key to retention" of early, mid and late-career physicians



• Two-thirds of groups say that **implementing a Medical Home** will increase their competitive edge in recruiting **Primary Care** physicians



• Three-quarters of groups say that **Advanced Practitioners** will be more involved in their practice in the next five years



 Three-quarters of groups offer an out-patient only model to Primary Care physicians

Source: 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 Cejka Search and AMGA Physician Retention Surveys

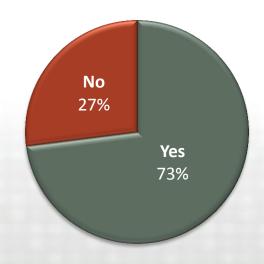
....But Hospitalist and Advanced Practitioner Turnover is High

	Total	Primary Care	Hospitalists	Specialists	Advanced Practitioner	
Turnover Rate:	6.8%	5.4%	10.4%	6.8%	11.5%	
Distribution of Turnover within Group:						
Voluntary Separation	74%	74%	94%	72%	84%	
Retirement	12%	12%	1%	14%	2%	
Termination	12%	12%	4%	13%	14%	
Death	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%	

...and Physicians / Advanced Practitioner Recruitment is Fragmented

Responsible for Recruiting:	Department Chair or Director	Physician Recruitment Office	Administration or Human Resources
Physicians	16%	66%	18%
Advanced Practitioners	8%	46%	46%

Should responsibility for recruiting Advanced Practitioners be centralized with physician recruiting?



1. Competition to Hire and Keep Top Performers will Intensify

Recommendations:

- ✓ Project and plan for retirement, turnover and growth
- ✓ Benchmark your recruitment metrics and measure your costs
- Build your care team with a cohesive recruitment and retention strategy

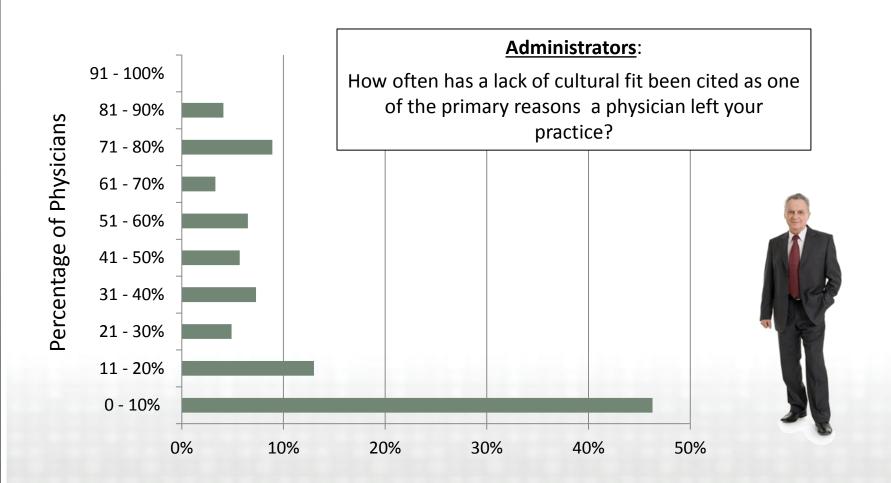


Culture is the top controllablecause of turnover

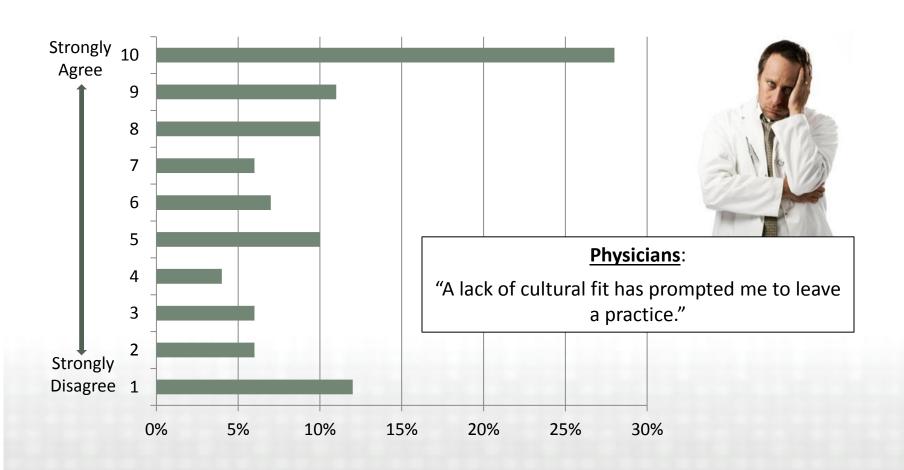
Culture is the Top Controllable Factor Driving Turnover

	Reasons for voluntary separation (1 = most common)	Mean Rating
1	Relocation for family reasons	3.56
2	Family responsibilities	4.41
3	Lack of cultural fit	4.84
4	More flexible work hours	4.98
5	Seeking greater compensation	5.10
6	Better call schedule	6.15
7	Practice ownership structure does not meet needs	6.18
8	Limited professional opportunity	6.23
9	Leaving the practice of medicine	6.28
10	Unappealing community for self/family	7.28

Impact of Lack of Cultural Fit on Turnover



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Disconnect!

"Physicians rarely leave due to a lack of cultural fit."

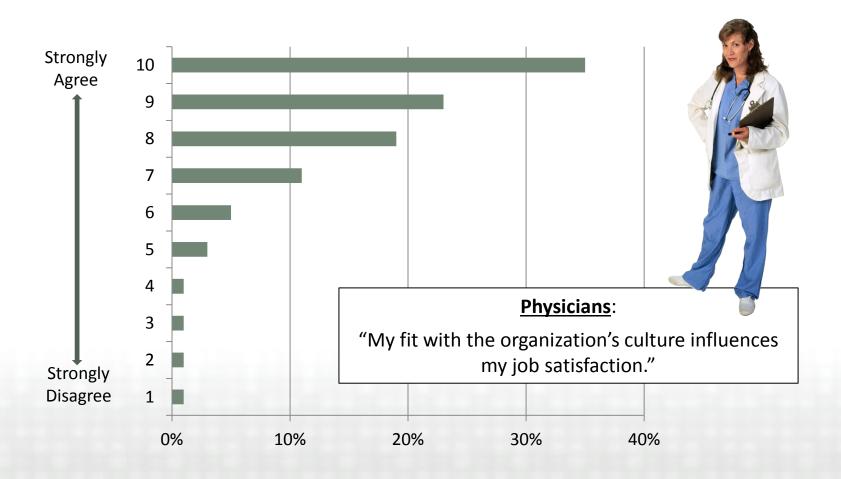






"I left because of a lack of cultural fit"

Cultural Fit Influences Job Satisfaction



Poor Cultural Fit: A Difficult Challenge



"Our biggest challenge is bringing so many divergent groups together to develop a new culture that makes them feel more aligned and more like one big group even though we are in so many different locations."

"Challenges are culture and behavior related. We desire a single culture."

"It is often difficult for organizations to really define the working culture vs. what culture they are trying to achieve."



Strong Cultural Fit: Worth the Investment

"I just switched organizations for all the reasons your survey is focusing on. The new 'culture' is much more in alignment with my beliefs and personal values."





"Cultural fit and administrative awareness and prioritization of this would go 90% of the way to job satisfaction."

"My organization's cultural attributes are what has encouraged me to put off my retirement. It is a pleasure for me to work here."

2. Culture is the Top Controllable Reason for Turnover

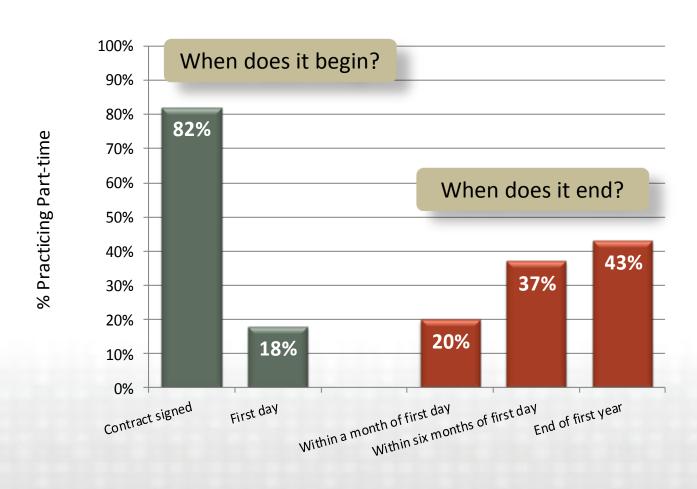
Recommendations:

- ✓ Determine what your organizational culture is and could be
- ✓ Recruit for cultural fit
- ✓ Improve retention with enculturation



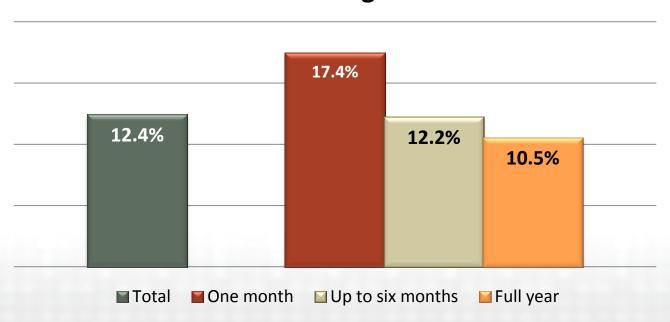
Critical Success Factor:Onboarding

Duration of Onboarding



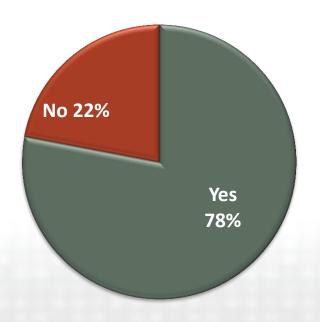
Extended Onboarding Period Lowers Turnover in Early Years

Turnover During Years 2-3

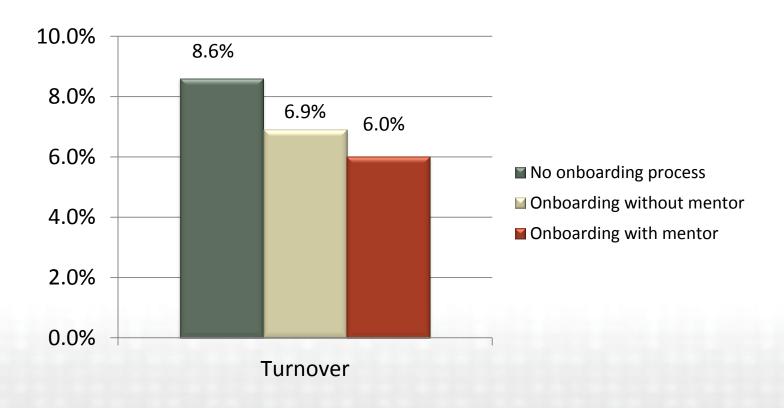


Mentor Assignment during Onboarding

Do you assign a mentor to physicians in your onboarding process?



Assigning a Mentor Lowers Overall Turnover





Recommendations:

- ✓ Establish a formal onboarding program
- ✓ Extend onboarding cycle to one year
- ✓ Assign a formal mentor

STRATEGIES IN ACTION

Lessons: Building an Efficient Medical Staff Engine Serving 12 Diverse Hospitals



BJC HealthCare Hospitals



- 1. Alton Memorial Hospital
- 2. Barnes-Jewish Hospital
- 3. Barnes-Jewish St. Peters Hospital
- 4. Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
- 5. Boone Hospital Center
- 6. Christian Hospital
- 7. Clay County Hospital
- 8. Missouri Baptist Medical Center
- 9. Missouri Baptist Sullivan Hospital
- 10. Parkland Health Center
- 11. Progress West HealthCare Center
- 12. St. Louis Children's Hospital

(The Rehabilitation Institute of St. Louis)

BJC HealthCare By the Numbers

- Staffed beds: 3,475
- Net revenues: \$3.6 Billion
- Inpatient admissions: 150,460
- Outpatient surgery visits: 61,459
- Emergency Department visits: 461,182
- Employees: 27,000
- Medical staff:
 - 1,200 Faculty physicians
 - 262 Employed physicians through BJC Medical Group

BJC Medical Group -- By The Numbers

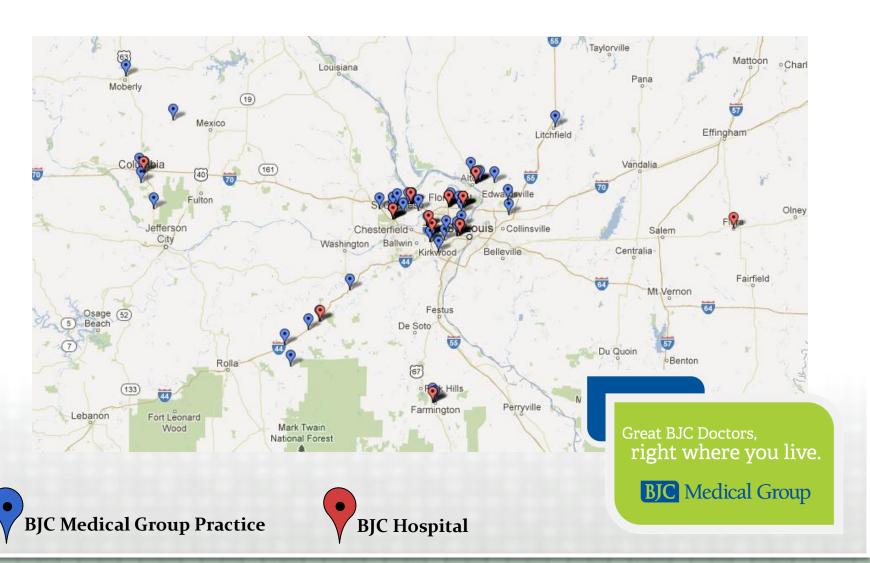
Practices at 12 of the 13 BJC HealthCare hospitals (excluding Clay County)

90 practices with over 115 locations

262 Physicians; 57 NPs/PAs

Provider: FT Support Employees = 1:2.61 (excludes PRN staff)

BJC Medical Group Locations



What Comprises BJC

Practice Composition

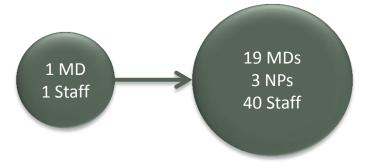


Specialties Include:

- Gastroenterology
- Rheumatology
- Medical Oncology
- Radiation Oncology
- Endocrinology
- Obstetrics/Gynecology
- Pediatrics
- Infectious Disease

- Pulmonary Medicine
- Psychiatry
- Allergy
- Vascular Surgery
- Colorectal Surgery
- Cardiology
- Orthopedic Surgery
- General Surgery
- Neurology

Practice Size



Hospitalist Programs:

- Alton Memorial Hospital
- Parkland Health Center
- Christian Hospital
- Missouri Baptist Medical Center

Challenges To Growth

Adding physicians to the employed portfolio.

Voiced Frustrations:

- "The compensation model needs to be changed"
- "The hospitals are competing against one another for recruits"
- "Difficult to recruit positions are ignored by BJCMG recruiters in favor of working on 'easy' ones"
- "Because the comp model is based on collections, poor payer markets don't stand a chance"
- "The model works for me"

Solution to Challenges

1. Revise the Physician Compensation Model

2. Redesign the Physician Recruitment Function

Revise the Physician Compensation Model

"Old" Compensation Model*

Break-even approach to emulate private practice

- Physician specific revenue (cash) minus:
 - A share of practice expenses allocated to physician based on standard methodology
 - Physician direct expenses (malpractice, benefits, billing fee)

Physician gets credit for NP revenue and charged with NP salary/benefits

Comp is adjusted quarterly

- Net Professional Revenue (NPR) X payout %
- Payout % is based on the expense ratio (operating expense as % of NPR)

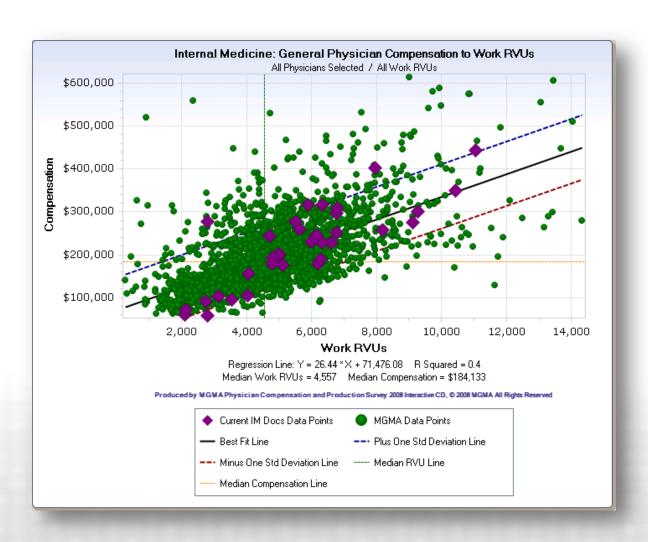
Quarterly adjustments ignore changes in ancillary revenue & expense

* Sunset: April 2009

Challenges with "Old" Model:

Managed Care Issues (w/ pass through billing) Ease of Understanding Lack of Incentive Plan for P4P and System Goals Cliff at end of Guarantee Period Recruitment

Comparative Compensation Under "Old" Model



"New" Compensation Model "Musts"

- Ease of Understanding
- Meet all Legal Tests—IRS, Stark, etc.
- Include Incentive Package for System Goals
- Provide Market Competitive Compensation for PCPs and Specialists
- Create No "Losers" or Major Windfalls in the Transition Year
- Is Budget Neutral, Except for Addition of Incentive Plan

Physician Compensation Advisory Committee Charter



- Comprised of Administrative and Physician Leaders
- Provide feedback on the development of the physician compensation model to be used by BJCMG
- Make recommendation of new method of compensation to BJCMG Advisory Board
- BJCMG Advisory Board will make recommendation to BJC Senior Leadership

Physician Compensation Advisory Committee Ground Rules

- Information about physician salaries will be shared in a blind format
- Salary information must be kept confidential
- Focus will be on compensation method
- Pay rate negotiation is not part of this discussion
- Parking lot used for side issues

"New" Compensation Model*

Initial salary guarantee (1-2 years) for new physician or to bridge private practice physician acquisitions

Following guarantee, base salary is paid on actual physician production (wRVUs) multiplied by a market-based conversion factor – compensation is "payor neutral"

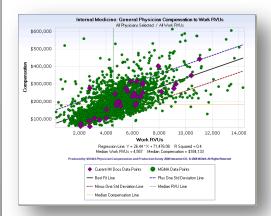
Incentive program (up to 15% of base) accessed by getting through two "gates":

- The practice must be at targeted level of expense management
- The physician must be using the Electronic Health Record technology at least to the level as determined by a peer group of physicians each year

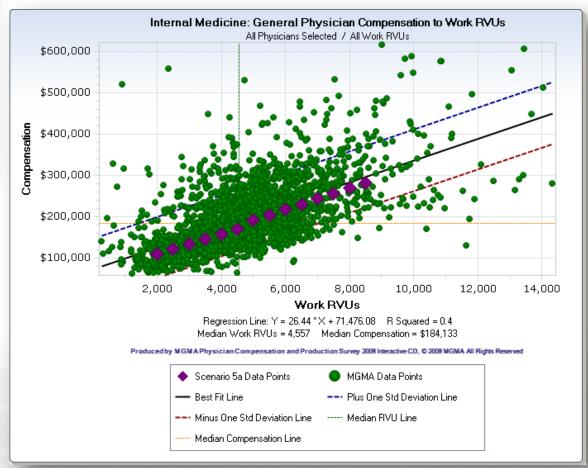
Elements of performance (up to 5% of base compensation each):

- Patient Satisfaction
- Access and Volume
- Best in Class scorecard performance

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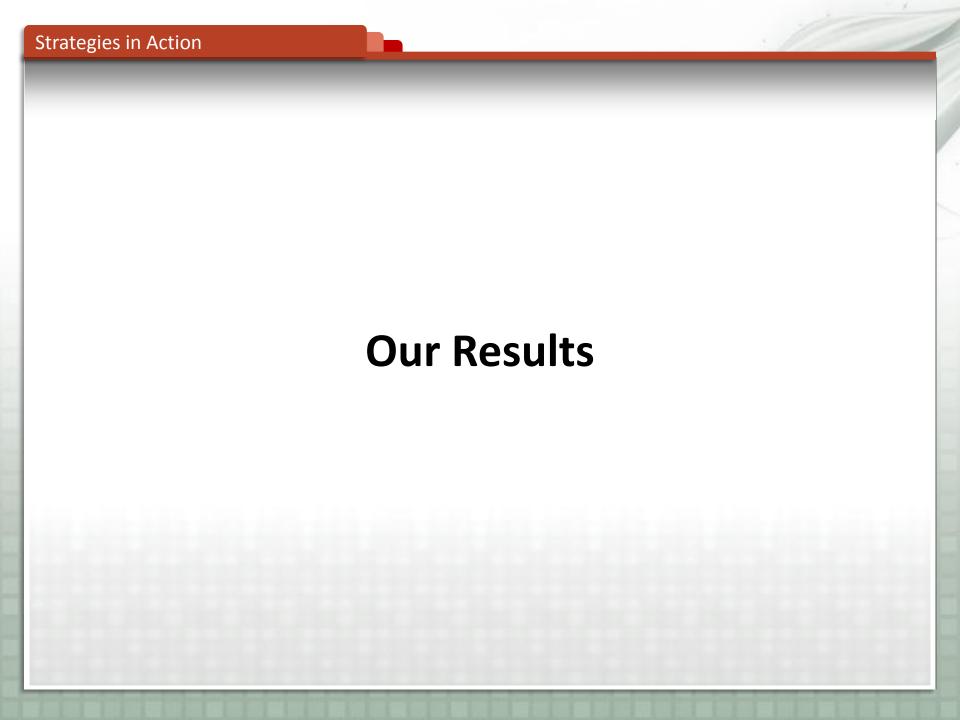
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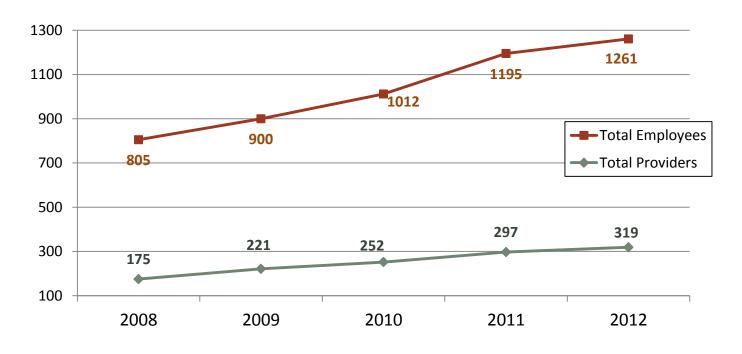
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Physician Recruitment Redesign Activities

- Conducted stakeholder analysis with key executives and physicians to validate that "we have a problem" and agree to develop a <u>Physician Recruitment Advisory Committee</u> that is tasked to evaluate necessary changes
- Facilitated Decision Analysis with committee that led to a go forward plan that included:
 - Outsource candidate sourcing activities to Cejka Search
 - Repurpose 2 BJC FTEs to serve as connectors between BJC hospitals,
 Cejka Search and candidates
- Conduct regular Physician Recruitment Advisory Committee meetings with representatives from all facilities with the purpose of being transparent about all recruitment activities



Growth Results



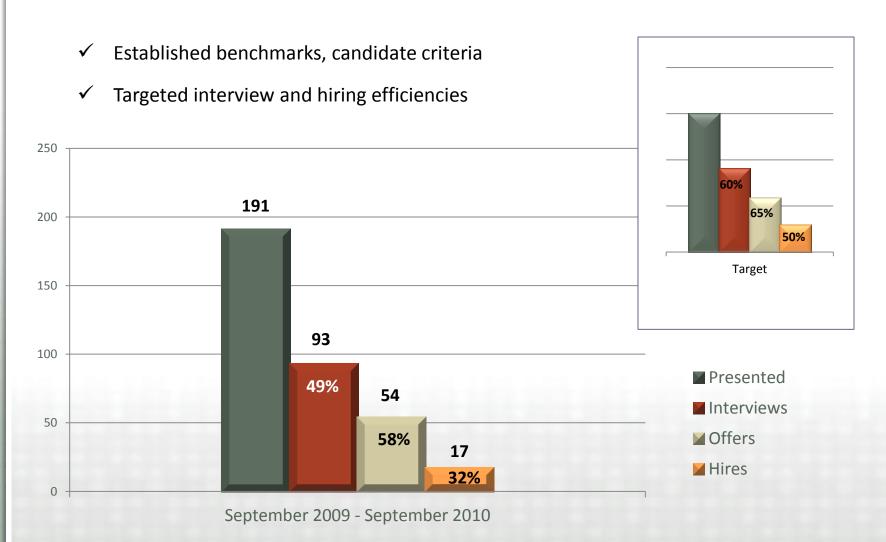
Provider Additions (above turnover)	2009	2010	2011	2012
Physicians	45	49	55	36
NPs/PAs	8	9	11	10
Total Provider Additions	53	58	66	46

Process Results

- ✓ Centralized recruitment platform with transparent process and results
- ✓ Multi-channel, mobile-enabled campaigns engage active and passive candidates
- ✓ Interactive and social media highlight hospitals, brands and healthy medical group culture

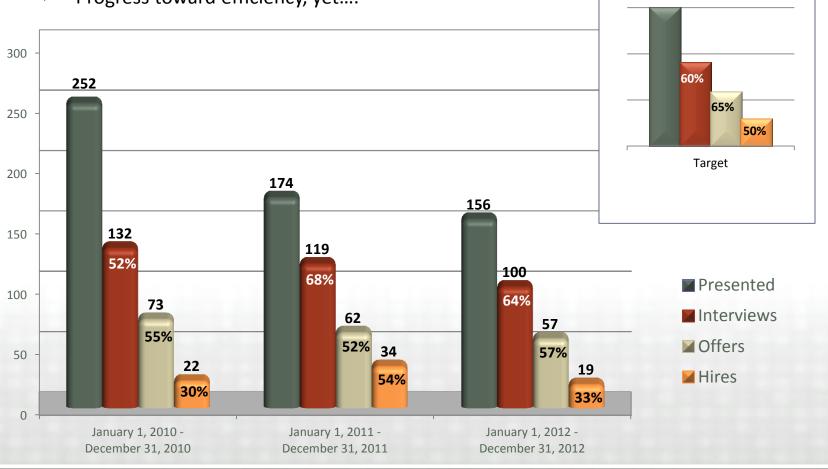


First Year Results



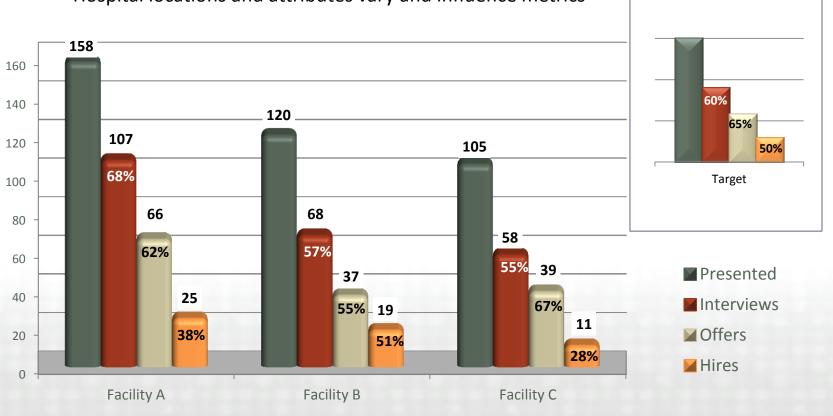
Yearly Comparisons

- ✓ Metrics reflect improved results of candidate screening
- ✓ Progress toward efficiency, yet....



Selected Individual Facility Results

- ✓ Recruitment is never equal
- ✓ Hospital locations and attributes vary and influence metrics



Solutions to Challenges

Adding physicians to the employed portfolio.

Voiced Satisfaction:

- "Payor neutrality has evened out the playing field"
- "Market intelligence and benchmark reporting gives us information we can act on"
- "Communicating and collaborating not competing internally has been key to getting the best docs"
- "Our recruitment effort is ahead of the technology curve

Lessons Learned

- Recruitment is never equal
- Recruitment is a <u>constant</u> evolution
- ☐ Today's shortage pushes urgency on recruitment efforts
- Identifying the "right fit" candidate is even more important for retention
- Enhanced technology is essential candidate engagement now and for the future

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