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THERAPEUTIC AREA: Prostate Cancer

LIFECYCLE: Early stage



CHALLENGE

- Client needed to understand the perceived unmet need for diagnostic testing in early-stage prostate cancer
- Client was looking to gain insight on the levels of evidence required by payers to obtain biomarker coverage in prostate cancer
- Client was hoping to discuss alternative approaches in development of genomic biomarkers and associated evidence
- Client wanted to test the value hypothesis of a new diagnostic test in early-stage prostate cancer



STRATEGY

built into contract)

- Leverage Amplity Health's Medical Communications team's unique access to advisors pertinent to this initiative
- Provide strategic guidance to facilitate contracting, question design, ongoing participant management, weekly summaries, recommendations, executive summary, and strategic recommendations



prehensive monthly reports



^{*} Using established FMV rates per client guidelines. Advisors are paid milestone honoraria every 4 weeks based on work completed.

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SAMPLING OF PARTICIPANTS

Title

- Medical Director
- Formulary and Contract Manager
- Medical Director
- Senior Medical Director
- Medical Director, Western Region
- Medical Director
- Medical Director
- Medical Director, NW Region
- Medical Director
- Chief Medical Officer

Plan Affiliation

- Rees-Sealy Medical Group/Sharp Healthcare
- SelectHealth
- HealthNet of California
- Priority Health
- WellPoint/Anthem
- Humana
- Aetna
- United Health Group
- Independence Blue Cross
- Harvard Pilgram Health Care



SAMPLE OF INSIGHTS

- Overall, payers are not pleased with the value they are receiving for their spend in this category. Specific reasons for suboptimal value were provided.
- Plans are reluctant to manage initiation of ADT after PSA rise, citing lack of unequivocal evidence and lack of clinical pathways in prostate cancer
- Several plans (Harvard Pilgrim, United, Anthem) are moving toward narrow physician networks as a way to reduce variation in care
 - Performance-based contracts are becoming increasingly common
 - In national plans, the use of narrow networks varies by region
- None of the participating plans surveyed had different criteria for community vs academic-based urologists. Likewise, none had different criteria for urologists and medical oncologists
- Overall, advisors perceived that a diagnostic test that helped to stratify risk in prostate cancer could offer a great deal of value
- For payers, a risk stratification test would provide value by reducing variation in care
- For specific examples of the insights provided, send us an email at contact@amplity.com

