



Episodes of Care Final Results

Final Annual Report | 2025 Performance Period

Key Results

Estimated savings for 2025 are approximately \$70.3 million due to Episodes' cost being less than projected medical trend of a 3% annual cost increase. The following highlights summarize key program results for 2025.

- 2025 estimated program savings: **\$70.3 million**
- 2025 total valid episodes: **707,893**
- Providers with net gain-sharing: **35.4%** (759)
- Providers with net risk-sharing: **7.4%** (158)
- **42 of 63** (66.7%) tracked quality metrics improved or maintained quality in 2025.

Table 1 presents historical estimated annual savings and valid episode counts for each year of the Episodes of Care program.

Table 1. Estimated Savings and Number of Valid Episodes by Year

Year	Estimated Savings	Number of Valid Episodes
2015	\$10,800,000	66,022
2016	\$14,500,000	139,254
2017	\$28,600,000	1,311,825
2018	\$38,300,000	775,727
2019	\$45,200,000	925,354
2020	-	659,375
2021	-	696,968
2022	\$52,900,000	768,377
2023	\$56,500,000	1,021,419
2024	\$66,100,000	727,539
2025	\$70,300,000	707,893

Cost Savings Summary

Estimated savings varied by episode type. Several high-volume episode types contributed substantially to the overall savings estimate, while a small number of episode types had actual costs above projected costs. The final cost savings table presents the projected cost, actual cost, estimated savings per episode, percent savings per episode, valid episode volume, and total estimated savings for each episode type.

Table 2. Estimated Cost Savings by Episode Type

Episode Type	Projected	Actual	Estimated Savings per Episode	Percent Savings per Episode	Number of Valid Episodes	Total Estimated Savings
Acute Gastroenteritis	\$706	\$696	\$10	1.5%	17,336	\$180,259
Acute Kidney & Ureter Stones	\$1,100	\$943	\$157	14.3%	1,463	\$230,120
Acute PCI	\$11,879	\$9,502	\$2,377	20.0%	112	\$266,270
Acute Seizure	\$1,743	\$1,779	(\$36)	-2.1%	4,727	(\$171,877)
ADHD	\$1,584	\$1,126	\$458	28.9%	27,103	\$12,404,810
Appendectomy	\$6,114	\$5,700	\$414	6.8%	1,096	\$454,046
Asthma Acute Exacerbation	\$1,583	\$973	\$610	38.5%	7,906	\$4,820,319
Back/Neck Pain	\$466	\$451	\$15	3.1%	26,048	\$382,095
Bariatric Surgery	\$9,924	\$6,673	\$3,252	32.8%	469	\$1,524,969
Breast Biopsy	\$2,129	\$1,777	\$352	16.5%	732	\$257,686

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Bronchiolitis	\$771	\$729	\$42	5.5%	2,890	\$122,003
CHF Acute Exacerbation	\$7,278	\$6,188	\$1,090	15.0%	1,384	\$1,509,158
Cholecystectomy	\$5,895	\$5,089	\$806	13.7%	1,472	\$1,187,034
Colonoscopy	\$1,409	\$1,085	\$324	23.0%	2,673	\$865,513
Colposcopy	\$443	\$441	\$2	0.4%	2,212	\$3,680
COPD	\$3,028	\$2,031	\$997	32.9%	1,585	\$1,579,928
Cystourethroscopy	\$1,042	\$1,195	(\$152)	-14.6%	1,346	(\$205,129)
Diabetes Acute Exacerbation	\$6,716	\$5,655	\$1,061	15.8%	832	\$882,956
EGD	\$1,534	\$1,308	\$226	14.8%	4,752	\$1,075,330
Gastrointestinal Hemorrhage	\$4,515	\$3,004	\$1,512	33.5%	959	\$1,449,652
GI Obstruction	\$10,602	\$7,701	\$2,901	27.4%	371	\$1,076,109
Hernia Repair	\$5,154	\$3,978	\$1,176	22.8%	1,187	\$1,396,243
Hysterectomy	\$6,083	\$5,169	\$914	15.0%	674	\$615,737
Knee Arthroscopy	\$3,785	\$3,982	(\$197)	-5.2%	672	(\$132,494)

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Non-Operative Ankle Injury	\$379	\$333	\$47	12.3%	13,077	\$608,695
Non-Operative Knee Injury	\$474	\$401	\$73	15.4%	7,335	\$535,948
Non-Operative Shoulder Injury	\$405	\$357	\$47	11.7%	5,769	\$272,957
Non-Operative Wrist Injury	\$431	\$326	\$106	24.5%	8,110	\$857,043
ODD	\$1,678	\$982	\$696	41.5%	1,649	\$1,147,189
Otitis Media	\$194	\$154	\$40	20.6%	115,159	\$4,590,555
Pancreatitis	\$7,413	\$6,815	\$597	8.1%	649	\$387,774
Pediatric Pneumonia	\$1,078	\$964	\$114	10.6%	2,509	\$285,707
Perinatal	\$8,997	\$8,205	\$792	8.8%	16,716	\$13,239,127
Pneumonia	\$1,550	\$1,443	\$107	6.9%	1,949	\$209,517
Respiratory Infection	\$153	\$139	\$14	8.9%	338,440	\$4,626,370
Skin and Soft Tissue Infection	\$269	\$209	\$60	22.4%	37,943	\$2,282,638

Episode Type	Projected	Actual	Estimated Savings per Episode	Percent Savings per Episode	Number of Valid Episodes	Total Estimated Savings
Spinal Decompression w/o Fusion	\$6,675	\$6,080	\$595	8.9%	197	\$117,276
Spinal Fusion	\$25,271	\$15,598	\$9,673	38.3%	326	\$3,153,265
Syncope	\$790	\$485	\$305	38.6%	6,867	\$2,092,092
Tonsillectomy	\$3,249	\$2,747	\$502	15.5%	6,895	\$3,464,211
Total Joint Replacement	\$16,288	\$10,139	\$6,149	37.8%	208	\$1,279,003
UTI - Inpatient	\$5,170	\$6,249	(\$1,078)	-20.9%	1,404	(\$1,514,103)
UTI - Outpatient	\$191	\$165	\$26	13.5%	32,690	\$846,760
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	707,893	\$70,256,440

Quality Metric Summary

Quality metric performance improved or was maintained for most episodes in the 2025 performance period. The quality metric section presents the name and target value of each quality metric in performance for each episode, the overall performance of the metric over the last five years, and identifies whether higher or lower results are better for the metric.

Table 3. Quality Metric Results by Episode

Episode Name	Quality Metric	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Target Performance
Acute Gastroenteritis	1. Abdominopelvic CT/MRI in adults ($\leq 50\%$)	47.5%	48.9%	51.9%	51.3%	50.0%	Lower is better
Acute Gastroenteritis	2. Abdominopelvic CT/MRI in children ($\leq 30\%$)	6.2%	6.0%	7.3%	7.3%	7.6%	Lower is better
Acute Gastroenteritis	3. Antibiotics Utilization ($\leq 30\%$)	21.8%	20.7%	23.9%	22.7%	21.7%	Lower is better
Acute Kidney & Ureter Stones	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	89.0%	89.0%	89.0%	89.5%	Higher is better
Acute Kidney & Ureter Stones	2. Related ED visit ($\leq 15\%$)	15.8%	14.1%	14.5%	13.8%	14.7%	Lower is better
Acute PCI	1. Hospitalization in post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	0.7%	1.8%	0.9%	2.1%	0.0%	Lower is better
Acute Seizure	1. Brain MRI utilization in focal epilepsy ($\geq 10\%$)	16.1%	14.9%	15.0%	17.8%	18.3%	Higher is better
Acute Seizure	2. Prolonged EEG monitoring in newly diagnosed seizure ($\geq 10\%$)	2.2%	3.7%	8.8%	10.5%	10.9%	Higher is better

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ADHD	1. Minimum care requirement ($\geq 70\%$)	76.2%	76.7%	76.5%	76.5%	77.3%	Higher is better
Appendectomy	1. Abdominopelvic CT scans in children ($\leq 50\%$)	36.7%	43.1%	37.9%	37.3%	38.3%	Lower is better
Appendectomy	2. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	97.0%	98.0%	98.0%	98.1%	Higher is better
Asthma Acute Exacerbation	1. Follow-up visit with physician ($\geq 30\%$)	30.6%	33.3%	31.9%	33.0%	32.0%	Higher is better
Asthma Acute Exacerbation	2. Patient on appropriate medication ($\geq 60\%$)	61.5%	66.8%	65.8%	64.2%	79.4%	Higher is better
Back/Neck Pain	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	72.0%	76.0%	77.0%	76.2%	Higher is better
Bariatric Surgery	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 30\%$)	45.0%	44.8%	49.3%	47.1%	50.3%	Higher is better
Breast Biopsy	1. Appropriate diagnostic workup rate ($\geq 90\%$)	90.6%	92.4%	93.9%	91.0%	92.2%	Higher is better
Breast Biopsy	2. Core needle biopsy rate ($\geq 85\%$)	91.3%	83.1%	87.1%	84.4%	83.9%	Higher is better
Bronchiolitis	1. Related admission during the post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	Lower is better
Bronchiolitis	2. Utilization of bronchodilators ($\leq 30\%$)	14.6%	17.9%	16.8%	18.0%	17.3%	Lower is better
Bronchiolitis	3. Utilization of steroids ($\leq 50\%$)	22.7%	27.5%	26.6%	28.4%	32.0%	Lower is better

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CHF Acute Exacerbation	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 60\%$)	54.1%	54.8%	55.4%	54.2%	55.4%	Higher is better
Cholecystectomy	1. Hospitalization in post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	Lower is better
Colposcopy	1. LEEP utilization under 26 years old with no evidence of high-grade dysplasia ($\leq 5\%$)	1.6%	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%	2.1%	Lower is better
Colposcopy	2. LEEP utilization with low-grade dysplasia ($\leq 5\%$)	13.2%	9.8%	8.5%	8.0%	9.1%	Lower is better
COPD	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 45\%$)	44.6%	46.1%	45.6%	48.4%	46.5%	Higher is better
Cystourethroscopy	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	82.0%	84.0%	86.0%	86.8%	Higher is better
Cystourethroscopy	2. Related ED visit ($\leq 10\%$)	3.4%	4.6%	5.6%	6.6%	6.4%	Lower is better
Cystourethroscopy	3. Repeat cystourethroscopy ($\leq 5\%$)	4.3%	3.6%	6.5%	5.9%	5.0%	Lower is better
Diabetes Acute Exacerbation	1. Follow-up care in the first 30 days of the post-trigger window ($\geq 40\%$) (In 2022, the time window for this quality metric changed from 14 days to 30 days.)	28.3%	46.0%	47.8%	52.8%	47.0%	Higher is better

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EGD	1. ED visit within the post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	3.4%	3.2%	3.4%	3.2%	3.9%	Lower is better
Gastrointestinal Hemorrhage	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 45\%$)	47.6%	47.0%	47.4%	45.4%	49.5%	Higher is better
GI Obstruction	1. Related follow-up care ($\geq 25\%$)	34.0%	36.3%	37.5%	39.3%	36.4%	Higher is better
GI Obstruction	2. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	89.0%	90.0%	87.0%	86.0%	Higher is better
Hernia Repair	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	93.0%	96.0%	96.0%	96.3%	Higher is better
Hysterectomy	1. Alternative treatments ($\geq 30\%$) (In 2022, the look-back window for this quality metric was changed from 180 days to 960 days.)	45.8%	65.3%	61.2%	61.3%	58.4%	Higher is better
Hysterectomy	2. Related follow-up care ($\geq 15\%$)	33.8%	34.4%	39.5%	31.7%	32.9%	Higher is better
Knee Arthroscopy	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	92.0%	93.0%	93.0%	94.0%	Higher is better
Non-Operative Ankle Injury	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	94.0%	95.0%	96.0%	95.6%	Higher is better
Non-Operative Knee Injury	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	92.0%	93.0%	93.0%	94.5%	Higher is better
Non-Operative Shoulder Injury	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	88.0%	89.0%	90.0%	90.7%	Higher is better

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Non-Operative Wrist Injury	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	92.0%	94.0%	95.0%	95.5%	Higher is better
ODD	1. Minimum care requirement ($\geq 30\%$)	33.8%	30.6%	33.7%	32.7%	33.1%	Higher is better
Otitis Media	1. Otitis media with effusion (OME) episodes without antibiotics filled ($\geq 25\%$)	29.5%	27.1%	29.6%	32.8%	35.0%	Higher is better
Otitis Media	2. Non-OME episodes with amoxicillin filled if an antibiotic was filled ($\geq 60\%$) (In 2025, this quality metric was changed to only include episodes in which an antibiotic prescription was filled.)	66.0%	65.8%	66.6%	66.7%	74.4%	Higher is better
Pancreatitis	1. Follow-up care in the first 14 days of the post-trigger window ($\geq 35\%$)	30.0%	47.4%	46.0%	48.2%	47.3%	Higher is better
Pediatric Pneumonia	1. Related admission during the post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	0.9%	0.7%	0.9%	0.9%	0.8%	Lower is better
Pediatric Pneumonia	2. Utilization of macrolides in patients under 6 years old ($\leq 30\%$)	17.0%	14.4%	13.8%	38.1%	25.5%	Lower is better
Pediatric Pneumonia	3. Utilization of narrow spectrum antibiotics ($\geq 50\%$)	61.8%	65.0%	66.8%	55.6%	64.7%	Higher is better

Episode Name	Quality Metric	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Target Performance
Perinatal	1. HIV screening ($\geq 90\%$)	87.2%	86.6%	90.1%	94.7%	95.2%	Higher is better
Perinatal	2. Hepatitis C screening ($\geq 50\%$)	46.5%	56.5%	71.9%	82.3%	83.6%	Higher is better
Perinatal	3. Primary c-section rate ($\leq 25\%$) (In 2022, the design of this quality metric was changed to align with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) definition of primary C-section delivery rate.)	16.7%	12.4%	12.4%	11.6%	11.4%	Lower is better
Pneumonia	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 30\%$)	27.9%	28.3%	29.3%	28.6%	27.2%	Higher is better
Respiratory Infection	1. ED visit within the post-trigger window ($\leq 10\%$)	1.7%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.8%	Lower is better
Skin and Soft Tissue Infection	1. Bacterial cultures when incision and drainage performed ($\geq 50\%$)	43.3%	39.1%	37.3%	39.6%	39.1%	Higher is better
Skin and Soft Tissue Infection	2. SSTI episodes with a first line antibiotic ($\geq 90\%$)	97.8%	97.6%	97.6%	97.8%	97.5%	Higher is better
Spinal Decompression without Fusion	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	86.0%	87.0%	86.0%	87.3%	Higher is better
Spinal Fusion	1. Difference in average MED/day (≥ 0.8)	-	81.0%	84.0%	86.0%	87.7%	Higher is better

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Syncope	1. Carotid ultrasound imaging in adults ($\leq 10\%$)	3.4%	3.4%	3.1%	2.5%	2.1%	Lower is better
Tonsillectomy	1. Bleeding up to two days following the procedure ($\leq 5\%$)	0.9%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	Lower is better
Total Joint Replacement	1. Admission within the post-trigger window 1 ($\leq 10\%$)	0.7%	0.8%	1.7%	1.2%	0.0%	Lower is better
UTI - Inpatient	1. Follow-up care within post-trigger window ($\geq 40\%$)	41.5%	43.7%	42.3%	45.7%	45.9%	Higher is better
UTI - Outpatient	1. Admission within the trigger window for ED triggered episodes ($\leq 5\%$)	6.7%	5.9%	5.8%	8.4%	9.8%	Lower is better
UTI - Outpatient	2. Admission within the trigger window for non-ED triggered episodes ($\leq 5\%$)	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	Lower is better