

ANALYTIC CONSULTING

AND RESEARCH SERVICES



OUR SOLUTION

Our researchers and experts provide timely and innovative analytics to improve healthcare quality, access, and efficiency.

Actionable Insights to Address Real-World Challenges

As your trusted partner, Truven Health AnalyticsSM will help you make informed strategic decisions. Our research staff have cross-industry expertise in evolving trends, including comparative effectiveness, quality and cost of care, health information technology advances, clinical decision support, and prevention and wellness. Government and private organizations rely on our experts and databases to provide practical, timely solutions to improve healthcare access, enhance quality, and reduce costs.

Affecting Change

Our innovative research and consulting services provide the assistance you need to drive important policy and operational changes in the following areas:

Research Data Development

Develop and integrate large-scale healthcare databases and other tools to support research and analysis.

Provider Quality and Efficiency Measurement

Assess provider and health plan performance with special expertise in value-driven initiatives, healthcare cost and quality measurement, and multi-stakeholder data sharing initiatives.

Health and Productivity Research

Conduct empirical research in partnership with Emory University that is focused on the relationship between employee wellness, healthcare utilization and cost, and work-related productivity.

Comparative Effectiveness Research

Assess treatment outcomes in defined patient populations using evidence-based research.

Outcomes Research

Evaluate the clinical and economic outcomes of disease states, pharmaceutical treatments, and other interventions.

Community Living Systems

Facilitate implementation of long-term services and supports systems that measure and improve quality, integrate medical and social supports, protect consumer health and safety, and use the most cost-efficient purchasing models.

Behavioral Health and Quality Research

Analyze policies in two high-priority areas — the financing of mental health and substance abuse treatment services and the quality of all types of healthcare.

Patient-Centered Medical Home

Design and implement patient-centered medical home models and evaluate their effectiveness in improving the quality and efficiency of patient care.

Sample Project Experience

We serve both payer and provider markets, leveraging cross-industry expertise to develop meaningful solutions for our customers. A sampling of recent work follows. For more information about a particular project, please visit the web site listed for each project or email us at research@truvenhealth.com.

Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)

We are developing a series of healthcare databases and related software tools for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to enable research on a broad range of health policy issues at the national, state, and local market levels. <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/home.jsp>

State Snapshots from the National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Reports

We work with AHRQ to create interactive, Web-based reports that summarize key indicators of healthcare quality for states, including relative strengths and opportunities for improvement.

<http://statesnapshots.ahrq.gov>

National Expenditures for Mental Health Services and Substance Abuse Treatment

Under contract with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, our team of researchers and actuaries develops national spending estimates for the treatment of mental and substance use disorders. Reports track important national trends, projections, and state-level financing of these conditions.

<http://www.samhsa.gov/spendingestimates/toc.aspx>

Home- and Community-Based Waiver Application on the Web

Our programmers and analysts developed this online application to transform a paper-based process into a more accessible web-based system which is now available to all 50 states to apply for, renew, or amend Medicaid HCBS 1915(c) Waivers. The Waiver Management System (WMS) is also used by states to submit their CMS 372 waiver utilization reports. The 1915(c) Waiver Management System (WMS) provides CMS with automated workflow, email notifications, and on-demand reporting capabilities. It has enabled CMS to greatly improve the quality and completeness of the waiver program data while offering increased efficiency. <http://www.hcbswaivers.net>

Technical Support to the CMS Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office

We provide technical support to the newly established Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office (MMCO) at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. The MMCO was established under the Affordable Care Act to improve the coordination of services for persons who are dually eligible for both the Medicare and Medicaid systems. The nine million Americans who are eligible for both programs are a high-cost population, and their medical and supportive services are often poorly coordinated. We support the MMCO in its effort to promote new initiatives at the federal and state levels to develop more integrated care systems that will improve quality and lower costs for this vulnerable population.

<http://www.cms.gov/medicare-medicicaidcoordination/>

Integrated Healthcare Association (IHA) Pay for Performance (P4P) Program

We have assisted the IHA in the development of an Efficiency Domain for incorporation into its P4P program, including the identification and testing measures used to reward providers. We currently generate a diverse set of hospital- and pharmacy-related Appropriate Resource Use measures for more than 200 California physician organizations based on integrated claims data from seven health plans (six million lives). http://www.iha.org/pay_performance.html

Structuring Care Recommendations for Clinical Decision Support

Our researchers and a team of informatics leaders are translating U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) clinical guidelines and federal criteria related to meaningful use of health information technology into readily adaptable logic statements to be publicly available via the Internet. <http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/uspstfix.htm>

Office of Information Products and Data Analysis (OIPDA) at Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

The Truven Health Analytics team is developing a strategic plan for the Office of Information Products and Data Analysis (OIPDA) at Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This plan will support and guide CMS data dissemination activities. We are conducting a comprehensive review of existing CMS data release policies, procedures, dissemination, and pricing. The information collection and evaluation activities will inform the creation of an updated business plan for CMS data dissemination and pricing, allowing the agency to expand the availability of CMS data to a wide range of users in a manner that is cost effective and consistent with legal and policy requirements.

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