

# Medication Therapy Management – My Experience at Cummins

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# **On Site Pharmacist Role**

## **Medication Therapy Management**

- Who: Active employee/dependent populations for Southeastern Indiana
- What: Targeted or Comprehensive
- Where: Cummins Health Center or work location
- Why: Patient Self Referrals, Physician Referrals, Other Vendor Referrals

## **Group Education**

- Lunch and Learns at the worksite locations
- Health and Safety Fair participation
- Lifestyle Program facilitation
- Special Needs (example: Prescription Drug Abuse program)

## **Resources/Support**

- Providers
- Other Health/Wellness Vendors
- Key Cummins Contacts (Benefit Team, HR, Health Champions)



# **Transitions in Care MTM Case**

### **Issue Identified:**

 56 year old woman with diabetes prescribed different dosages of same statin medication by two separate physicians following hospitalization for heart attack

#### **Risks:**

 Muscle pain & breakdown, kidney damage, possible worsening of diabetes

### **On-site Pharmacist Intervention:**

- · Discovered that patient was confused about her therapy
- Contacted both physicians on behalf of patient to clarify intended medications and directions in order to provide accurate patient education

### **Healthier Outcome:**

- Avoided serious adverse events
- · Avoided unnecessary copayment

## Prevention of serious adverse events & cost savings through MTM intervention



# **Polypharmacy MTM Case**

### **Issue Identified:**

 32 year old woman with a high pill burden (prescribed approximately 40 doses of oral medications each day)

### **Risks:**

Unnecessary medications, interactions, adverse effects, dose omissions, inappropriate administration

### **On-site Pharmacist Intervention:**

- Created a complete medication list and administration timing chart for caregivers and physicians
- Segregated current medications from ones that had been discontinued
- Identified medications available in liquid formulation and medications that were not to be crushed

### **Healthier Outcome:**

- Unnecessary medication elimination plan created
- Simplified medication storage and administration to ensure necessary medication doses not missed

# Reduced pill burden and risk of adverse events through MTM intervention



# Non-adherence MTM Case

### **Issue Identified:**

- 59 year old female prescribed > 10 medications for > 5 chronic illnesses
- Patient admitted to not taking several medications and taking many others at reduced doses/frequencies

### **Risks:**

Uncontrolled diabetes, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, thyroid disorder and depression

### **On-site Pharmacist Intervention:**

- Provided education regarding the use of each medication
- Explained the dangers of not taking medication and not communicating medication changes with physician
- Referred patient to Employee Assistance Provider

### **Healthier Outcome:**

- Patient had open conversation with physician
- Patient began to take medications as prescribed

## **Reduced risk of complications, increased** medical costs through MTM interventions



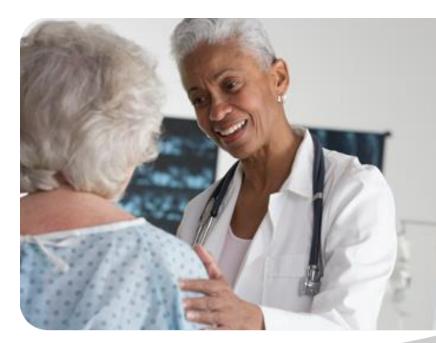
# **Employer Centric Model**

### **Advantages**

- Availability of Prescription Data
- Population Health/Predictive Analytics Tools and Resources
- Opportunities to interact with employees
- Internal knowledge of Formulary/Benefit Plan
- Collaboration with other Health/Wellness Vendors
- Annual Wellness Screening
  involvement
- Knowledge of Local Resources

## **Service Opportunities**

- Lack of access to Medical Data (labs and test results)
- Employee contact information
- Documentation System/EHR





# What does the future hold?

## On Site Clinic

- Providers will be devoted to Cummins employees
- Pharmacist working with the providers
- >> Access to Medical and Prescription Data
- >> Collaboration with on site health coaches

## **Transitions in Care Pilot with Local Hospital**

Pharmacist notification of admission/discharge (with patient consent)



Pharmacist follow up within 48 hours of discharge

## Wellness Integration



Medication adherence as an annual wellness goal





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