

Strategies for Consumer Engagement and Uptake

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Health Republic Insurance

We are a non-profit, Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan

~ **CO-OP** ~

We offer health insurance coverage to individuals/families and small businesses, both on and off the insurance exchange.



WHAT IS A CO-OP?

- New, qualified, non-profit health insurance issuer, directed by its members
 - 51% of the Board of Directors must be plan members, elected by plan members
- Must use profits for members' benefit
 - Lower Premiums
 - Improve Benefits
 - Improve the Quality of Care
- Offer individuals/families and small businesses affordable, consumer-focused, high-quality health insurance options.



HEALTH REPUBLIC'S FOCUS PEOPLE. NOT PROFIT.

We have no private shareholders.

We do not distribute profits to any investors

Every decision we make, benefit we offer, and solution we develop is focused on helping members get and stay healthy.



Why CO-OPs?

- Offered a compromise on the public option in the ACA
- Ensured a carrier offers options on the Exchange
- Provided a disruption to the commercial health insurance marketplace
- Drive health insurance innovation

 Provide the ultimate in patient/consumer engagement strategies



Why Does Patient Engagement Matter?

Patient Engagement

Improved...

- Knowledge and understanding
- Decision-making
 Patient-clinician
 communication
- Health behaviors
- Self-management of health conditions

Better Health Outcomes



Factors Influencing Engagement

Patient

Beliefs about patient role Health literacy Education

> Society Social norms Regulations Policies

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Policies and practices Culture



Overcoming Engagement Challenges

- Health Literacy
- Diverse Backgrounds
- Cognitive Issues



- Patient's Aversion to Considering Costs
- Provider Factors
- Payer Factors



Health Republic is Designed to Overcome Engagement Barriers

- Incorporate consumer input and governance by requiring a majority of the Board of Directors be members, elected by members
- Build provider relationships that support patient/consumer engagement through provider support, training and payment models
- Assist members with programs for increased health literacy and education and open the door for engagement
- Creating new norms for what a health plan can and should be
- Bringing members together to advocate for better health care for all

SURANCE

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