## THERE IS AN URGENT NEED TO ADOPT A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO REDUCING FRACTURES



**Osteoporosis is a chronic, progressive disease** characterized by low bone mass and deterioration of bone tissue that causes bone fragility and **increases the risk of fracture.**<sup>1</sup> By 2025, **osteoporosis-related fractures and costs are projected to increase by 48%** to more than **3 million fractures** and **\$25.3 billion in healthcare costs.**<sup>2</sup>



In 2015, **2 million** Medicare patients suffered **2.3 million fractures**<sup>8</sup>



of female Medicare beneficiaries were evaluated for osteoporosis with a bone mineral density test, a HEDIS quality measure, within 6 months following an osteoporosis-related fracture<sup>8</sup>



of patients who suffered a hip fracture received treatment to reduce future fracture risk.<sup>9,\*</sup> Compared to heart attack patients who receive beta blockers to prevent future heart attacks (96%)<sup>10,†</sup>



# 68% estimated increase

by 2040 in the prevalence of osteoporosis-related fractures in the US among women ≥65 years old<sup>7</sup>



of women with postmenopausal osteoporosis who experienced a fracture were not treated for the underlying disease of osteoporosis within 6 months following a fracture<sup>11</sup>

### Prior fractures increase the risk of subsequent fractures<sup>12</sup>

An initial fracture is associated with an 86% increased risk of a subsequent fracture<sup>12,13</sup> After an osteoporosis-related fracture, postmenopausal women are **5x more likely to suffer another fracture** 

within the first year, and the risk remains elevated over time<sup>14</sup>

### Subsequent fractures cost more than initial fractures<sup>7</sup>

A subsequent fracture is associated with a

#### 2- to 3-fold increase

in medical costs compared to an initial fracture<sup>15</sup>

The incremental direct medical costs during the 180-day period after a subsequent osteoporosis-related fracture was **over \$20,700**<sup>8</sup>

HEDIS=Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set.

<sup>\*</sup>Data based on Medicare patients who sustained fragility fractures January 2008-December 2011. Osteoporosis medication prescriptions were determined in the 12 months after the earliest fracture date identified. \*Data based on Medicare patients discharged alive after a heart attack January 2007-October 2010. Patients were grouped based on the timing of first follow-up clinic visit within 1 week, 1 to 2 weeks, 2 to 6 weeks, or more than 6 weeks after hospital discharge.



Activate change in your organization by implementing a coordinated-care, multidisciplinary model to improve bone health care and reduce the risk of subsequent fractures

#### Improving patient outcomes begins with the three "I"s<sup>5,16</sup>



**Identify** individuals who are at risk of osteoporosisrelated fracture



**Investigate,** evaluate, assess, and diagnose these patients



**Initiate** appropriate treatment in those patients who need therapy

Establishing a **coordinated-care model** has shown to be cost-effective and an efficient **interdisciplinary case management approach.** It can improve the outcomes of patients with osteoporosis-related fractures and help **prevent subsequent fractures.**<sup>17,18</sup>

Ensure patients at risk for osteoporosis receive early evaluation and proper diagnosis. Appropriate treatment can help reduce the risk of osteoporosis-related fractures<sup>19</sup>



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\*Data based on the economic and clinical burden of new osteoporosis-related fractures that occurred in 2015 in the Medicare fee-for-service population using information from a large administrative medical claims database.

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