Transform your AEP Materials Preparation Processes to Scale Your Medicare Advantage Plans

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# Agenda

- Complex Landscape of Medicare Advantage Market
- Current Approaches to Medicare Materials Management
- Best Practices for Medicare
  Communications Management





# **Medicare Advantage Communications**

## Annual Enrollment Period for Medicare (Oct 15 - Dec 7)

The Annual Enrollment Period (**AEP**) is when **Medicare** beneficiaries can add, change, or drop their **Medicare** Part D or **Medicare Advantage** plan coverage for the next year.

## Medicare Communications need to be ready before AEP

CMS requires that different Medicare communications are ready and available for the existing and prospective Medicare beneficiaries through print & digital channels.

## To meet the CMS quality requirements

CMS has stringent requirements to ensure that all the Medicare communications adhere to CMS guidelines for content, data accuracy and layout requirements.





# **Medicare materials are complex**



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# Medicare materials support the business

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# Medicare Advantage – Complex Landscape

- The Medicare Advantage market is growing
- Increasing complexity, diversity & niche Marketing
- CMS keeps things interesting with annual AEP updates
- COVID-19 hasn't made it any easier to manage plans





# The Medicare Advantage market is growing!

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#### Medicare Advantage – Enrollment 2000 – 2021 (in Millions)







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#### Medicare Advantage – Plans by Plan Type 20210 - 2021





# The Medicare Advantage market is growing!

- Medicare Advantage membership doubled in the last 10 years.
- In 2021, there are more Medicare Advantage plans available than in any other year.
- Average Medicare beneficiary has access to 33 Medicare Advantage plans in 2021.

#### Medicare Advantage – Average number of available plans 2010 - 2021









# Increasing complexity, diversity & niche Marketing

# Growth of Supplemental Benefits in last 2-3 years

#### **Supplemental Benefits in 2019**







# Increasing complexity, diversity & niche Marketing

# Growth of Supplemental Benefits in last 2-3 years

#### ()91% 92% 88% 96% Fitness Dental Eye exams **Hearing aids Telehealth** Benefit Benefit and glasses 36% 6% **Over the Counter** In-Home Bathroom **Meal Benefit** Transportation Items Support Safety

**Supplemental Benefits in 2021** 





# Increasingcomplexity, diversity & niche Marketing

- Growth of Supplemental Benefits in last 2-3 years
- Innovation of Benefits across different Plan Types

### **Extra Benefits across Plan Types in 2021**

	Individual Plans	Special Needs Plans
Eye exams and/or eyeglasses	99%	96%
Hearing exams and/or aids	97%	90%
Telehealth	94%	91%
Dental	94%	94%
Fitness	93%	87%
Over the Counter Benefits	79%	97%
Remote Access Technologies	70%	79%
Meal Benefit	55%	73%
Transportation	37%	88%
Acupuncture	24%	38%





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• DSNP plan membership is growing

#### Medicare Advantage – Beneficiaries in SNP Plans 20210 – 2021 (In Millions)









# Increasing complexity, diversity & niche Marketing

- Growth of Supplemental Benefits in last 2-3 years
- Innovation of Benefits across different Plan Types
- DSNP plan membership is growing
- COVID-19 has changed the member needs & expectations

## Medicare Advantage – Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic 2021 (%age) No Don't Know 18% 13% 64% 52% Did Your Usual Provider Offer Telehealth Before COVID-Does Your Usual Provider Currently Offer Telehealth? 197

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# CMS keeps things interesting with annual AEP updates

- **VBID SSBCI Updates**
- Senior Saver Model
- DSNP Look-a-like Plans
- Alternate Text Language











# **COVID-19 hasn't made it any easier to manage plans**

- Remote teams & work
- Requirement capture
- QA process
- Work Tracking
- Information Sharing









# **Poll Question - 1**





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## Today's focus is how to scale and grow while managing risk







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## Our focus is on materials management processes and how your approach helps or hinders those processes





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# Key challenges with very real business impact



Timelines



Work Completion



Quality of Materials



User Fatigue



Lack of planning & visibility Membership Growth









## 4 Main Approaches to Managing Materials

## Office Productivity & Design Tools

## Outsourced to Service Provider

## Document Management Tools

Health Plan Management Software





# **Office Productivity & Design Tools**



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# **Office Productivity & Design Tools**









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• Minimal training to enable teams to leverage the tools

### CONS

- Content and data managed seperately for each plan version
- Deadlines at risk due to intensive manual processes
- Multiple sources of data / XLS files
- Manual QA processes
- Manual Translation & 508c Remediation
- Last minute CMS changes may require major rework





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# **Outsourced to Service Provider**



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# **Outsourced to Service Provider**





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PROS

• Implementation work is managed by external vendor

#### CONS

- Complete dependence on the external vendor
- No visibility & tracking and competing resource pool
- Changes can cause significant delay
- Multiple sources of truth / XLS files
- QA Review and Change Management is very tedious
- Manual Translation & 508c Remediation
- High cost





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# **Document Management**



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# **Document Management**









PROS

• MAO are in control of the implementation, timelines and quality of materials.

### CONS

- Requires initial implementation.
- Ease of use and Change Management.
- Dependence on training & support plan.
- Multiple sources of truth/ XLS files
- QA Review and the Change Management is tedious
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Document Management Tools Health Plan Management Software







## Health plan Management Software







# Health Plan Management Software







#### Pros

- Ability to set up and configure plan-benefit offerings for each plan
- Single source of truth for plan data and benefits

#### Cons

- Main focus of the solution is on plan data management
- Lacking in Document Automation capabilities
- QA Review and the Change Management is tedious
- Manual translation & 508c remediation
- Last minute CMS changes may require major rework
- High cost solution





# **Poll Question - 2**




# Best practices for managing plan materials





#### 1 – Develop a single source of truth for plan benefit data









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- Automated updates
- ✓ Leverage data to drive content





#### 2 – Establish Plan Profile Information for non-PBP benefit information





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#### 3 - Leverage Pre-built Templates to drive efficiency and accuracy





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Lack of planning & visibility



Work Completion



Membership Growth





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	Single, un	ified process	
	Reusable data	Reusable content	Center of Excellence





## 10 best practices for managing plan materials

- 1. Develop a single source of truth for plan benefit data
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- 3. Leverage Pre-built Templates to drive efficiency and accuracy
- 4. Take a modular content management approach
- 5. Pre-configured Benefit Scenarios to handle different filling options
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## 10 best practices for managing plan materials









### Our focus was exploring how to scale while managing risk



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# **Results of implementing best practices**



Deadlines Met



Work Completed



Improvement in Quality



No user Fatigue



Adequate Planning & Visibility



Business Growth







## **Scalability and Growth**



#### **EFFICIENCY**







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## **Poll Question - 3**





# Healthcare Touchpoint Exchange

#### Purpose-Built Medicare Plan Materials Platform

#### SaaS-Based Automation for Member Communications

- Dynamically generate Medicare mandated & Marketing materials
- Ensure accuracy with PBP integration
- Accelerate QA: comparison, annotation, and issue tracking
- Generate 508C PDFs
- Automatically generate Spanish documents









# Healthcare Touchpoint Exchange

Purpose-Built Medicare Plan Materials Platform

- ✓ Speed to market
- ✓ Better quality
- ✓ Scale & grow









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