Pediatric Benchmarking

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Agenda

- Benchmarks: What are they? Why use them?
- · Pediatric benchmark sources
- Benchmarking in the Dashboard
- · Benchmarking and PCMH



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What Is A Benchmark?

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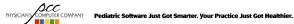
A standard or point of reference against which things may be compared or assessed. [dictionary.com]



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Why Use Benchmarks?

- To know if you are the best practice you can be
- · To set goals
- To determine appropriate compensation or bonuses



Things to Consider When Benchmarking

- Know the source of the data
- Know the sample size
- · Consider variations in practice size, locations, type
- Can contain bias



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Pediatric Benchmark and Measure Sources

- MGMA (Medical Group Management Association)
 - Compensation and cost benchmarks
 - Pediatric sample is relatively small (generally 30-40 single-specialty, non-hospital owned practices)
 - Represent larger practices (AVG: generally 8-10 providers)
- PMI (Pediatric Management Institute)
 - http://pediatricmanagementinstitute.com
- PCC Dashboard



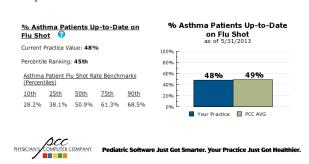
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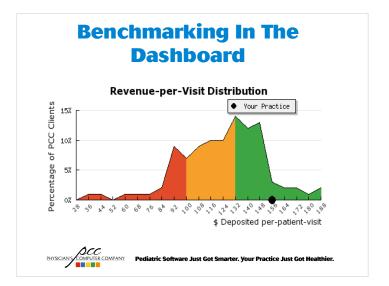
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Benchmarking In The Dashboard

- · Percentile Rankings
- · Comparison to PCC AVG





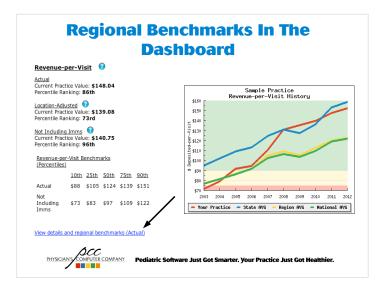
Location-Adjusted Benchmarks

Revenue-per-Visit 0 Actual Current Practice Value: \$148.04 Percentile Ranking: 86th Location-Adjusted Current Practice Value: \$139.08
Percentile Ranking: 73rd

- · Includes adjustment based on cost-of-living and malpractice expenses in your area:
 - Uses current RVU GPCI values for your location
 - Relatively high cost-of-living and malpractice expense = negative adjustment
 - Relatively low cost-of-living and malpractice expense = positive adjustment
- · Allows for comparison to benchmark regardless of practice location



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Benchmarking and PCMH

- PCMH Element 6C and 6D: Implement and Demonstrate Continuous Quality Improvement
 - Set goals and act to improve performance on at least three preventive, chronic, or utilization measures
 - Show achieved improved performance



Take-Away

- Use external benchmarks to set realistic goals for your practice
- These goals can and should change based on your performance



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