

Fact Sheet: **Pittsburgh Business Group on Health**

Background: The Pittsburgh Business Group on Health (PBGH) is an employer-led, non-profit, coalition of large, mid-size and small employers representing various business segments, including private and public employers, government and academia. Together, PBGH represents more than 60 organizations, over 800,000 covered lives and more than \$3 billion in health care costs.

PBGH and its members advocate excellence and innovation in health care and benefits with a focus on the cost, value and delivery of health care. To do this, PBGH implements and supports quality initiatives, analyzes health care data and resources, and provides forums for the exchange of ideas and viewpoints.

History: In the early 1980s, over twenty companies in the Pittsburgh business community believed that by working together, they could make a positive impact and drive change in the costs and delivery of health care. Those companies formed the Pittsburgh Business Group on Health, a coalition dedicated solely to the health care issues facing large and mid-sized employers in the Pittsburgh region.

While there has been progress in the quality and delivery of health care over the past 26 years, rising health care costs continue to be one of the biggest challenges facing most employers. Having influenced changes over the years, PBGH, on behalf of its members, will continue to pursue its mission to develop and support initiatives that will focus on driving improvements in the overall value of health care.

Mission: To be an employer leadership coalition promoting education, collaboration and innovation among members, and in the community, to drive and deliver value and quality in health care and benefits.

Initiatives: Prescription Drug Program
LivingMyLife Program for Diabetes
Health Care Program
Annual Diabetes Report
Health Plan Benchmarking Report

Programs: Annual Health Care Symposium
Annual Health Plan Executives' Forum
Community Education Forums
Members-Only Forums

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