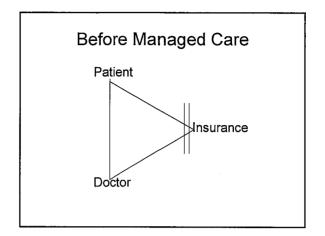
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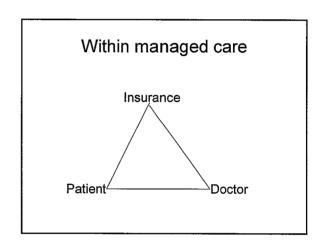
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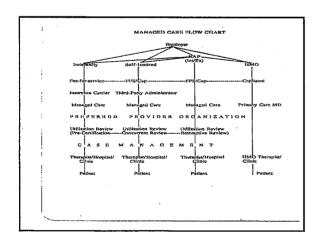
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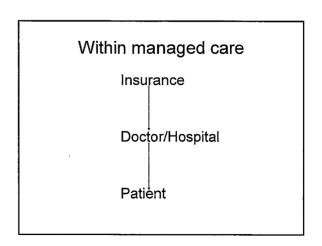


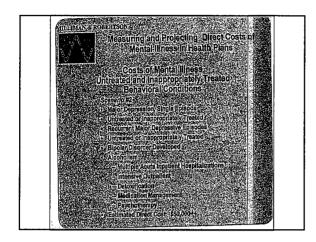
Introduction

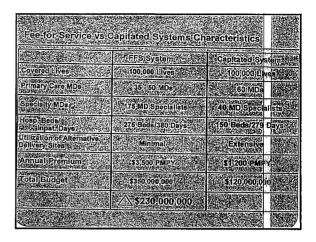
Dear Madam Chairwoman and members of the Committee. Thank you for the chance to talk to you today. My name is Dr. Ira Stamm. I am a psychologist who has been taking care of patients for 45 years. In 1991 when I was still with the Menninger Clinic in Topeka I had one of the more interesting opportunities and experiences in healthcare. Menninger was trying to decide whether to enroll in managed care networks. Over a four year period I traveled with colleagues from the marketing and business side of Menninger to the headquarters of about 100 insurance companies across the nation. Our task was to learn about the programs offered by these managed care companies and, in turn, to educate those companies about the treatment services available at Menninger. During my travels I also visited about 200 hospitals, clinics, and doctors offices. I also attended numerous managed care conferences. Over a four year period I witnessed first hand the dramatic transformation taking place in healthcare in America. Since then I have continued to study, teach, and write about managed care. As Kansas embarks upon a major expansion into Medicaid managed care (thought it would be helpful for me to share with the committee some of what I have learned about managed care.

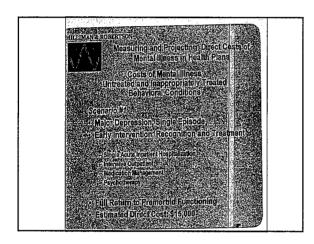


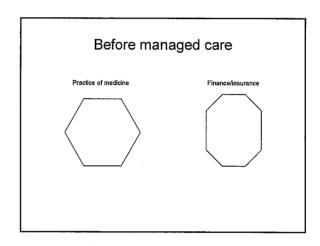


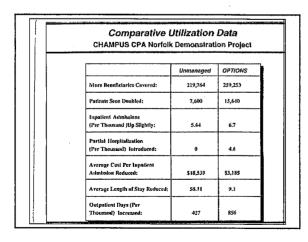


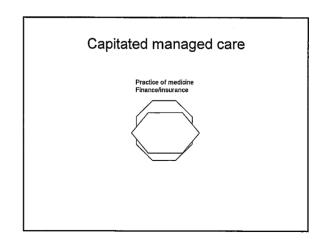


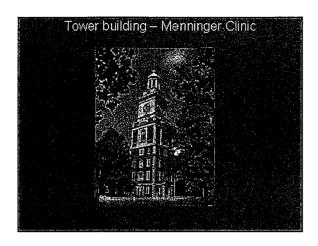














The New Math of Managed Care

220 beds at \$1,000 a day = \$80,300,300 a year gross income

220 beds at \$ 400 a day = \$32,120,000 a year gross income

24-bed unit with 1-year average length of stay needs 24 admissions a year

24-bed unit with 7-day length of stays needs 1251 admissions a year

Outpatient therapy fees reduced from \$115 an hour to \$65 dollars an hour



Retail and Allowable Fee (CPT 90806) – 45-50 Minutes Individual Psychotherapy – Ph.D.

Independent practice - Topeka	-\$120-150
Community Mental Health Centers	-\$???-185
EAP (Employee Assistance Plan)/MSW/Ph.D.	-\$25-120
Kansas Medicaid	-\$60
Commercial insurance – Group 1	-\$60-80
Medicare Part B	-\$87.32
 Commercial insurance – Group 2 	-\$70-95
Commercial insurance - Group 3	-\$110-150
Independent Practice – New York City	-\$???-\$400

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