Employee Benefits: Actuarial Considerations

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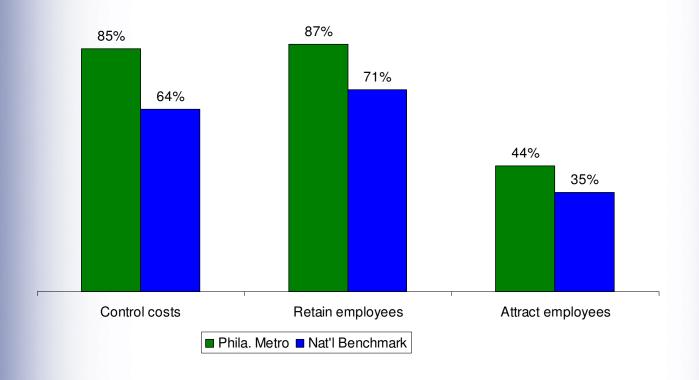
- "May you live in interesting times"
 Health Care Reform
- "May you come to the attention of those in authority"

Public Option

"May you find what you are looking for" Better Health, Security, & Freedom



Philadelphia Mid-Market Benefit Objectives





Consumer-Driven Health Care Savings

Actuaries Found . . .

- 12 20% 1st Year Savings Over Traditional Plans;
- Savings Continued In 2nd Year 3-5% versus PPO Plans;
- Significant Increase in Preventative Services; and
- Cost Savings NOT Result of Avoiding Appropriate Care.

American Academy of Actuaries / Consumer-Driven Health Plans Work Group, May 2009; "Emerging Data on Consumer-Driven Health Plans"



What Do We Need?

Advocates That *LEAD*,

Not Soldiers That FOLLOW.



Employee Acceptance

	# of Employers	Aggregate Enrollment %
PPO	54	63%
POS	27	68%
НМО	35	47%
Consumer-Driven Plan	15	92%



Use Consumer-Driven Plans to Control Costs, Retain Employees, and Attract Talent



Why Brokers Care?

- Health Care Reform Changes;
- Potentially Reduced Role w/Exchanges;
- Compensation Disclosure & Fee Negotiation;
- Promote Industry Specialization.

