

# 2017 COMMUNITY CHECKUP CHART PACK

December 2017



## Steps Required to Achieve Better Value in Health Care



# Washington State Performance for **Commercially Insured** as Compared to NCQA National Benchmarks

National Benchmarks	Measure	State Average	National 90th Percentile
<b>Above National 90th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 12–24 months)	98%	96%
	Eye exam for people with diabetes	75%	68%
<b>Between National 75th and 90th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 65+)	98%	98%
	Avoiding antibiotics for adults with acute bronchitis	38%	39%
	Avoiding antibiotics for children with upper respiratory infection	93%	95%
	Avoiding X-ray, MRI and CT scan for low-back pain	81%	82%
	Breast cancer screening	76%	80%
	Staying on antidepressant medication (12 weeks)	72%	76%
	Staying on antidepressant medication (6 months)	57%	60%
	Blood sugar (HbA1c) testing for people with diabetes	91%	94%
<b>Between National 50th and 75th Percentile</b>	Colon cancer screening	64%	72%
	Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (30 days)	43%	50%
	Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (9 months)	49%	57%
	Kidney disease screening for people with diabetes	91%	93%
	Monitoring patients on high-blood pressure medications	84%	87%
	Statin therapy for patients with cardiovascular disease	82%	86%
<b>Between National 25th and 50th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 12–19 years)	90%	97%
	Access to primary care (ages 45–64)	96%	97%
	Access to primary care (ages 7–11 years)	90%	96%
	Adolescent well-care visits	44%	65%
	Cervical cancer screening	74%	81%
	Chlamydia screening	43%	62%
	Spirometry testing to assess and diagnose COPD	39%	50%
	Well-child visits (ages 3–6 years)	73%	87%
<b>Below National 25th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 2–6 years)	89%	96%
	Access to primary care (ages 20–44)	91%	95%
	Appropriate testing for children with sore throat	78%	93%
	Managing medications for people with asthma	43%	57%
	Well-child visits (in the first 15 months)	69%	88%

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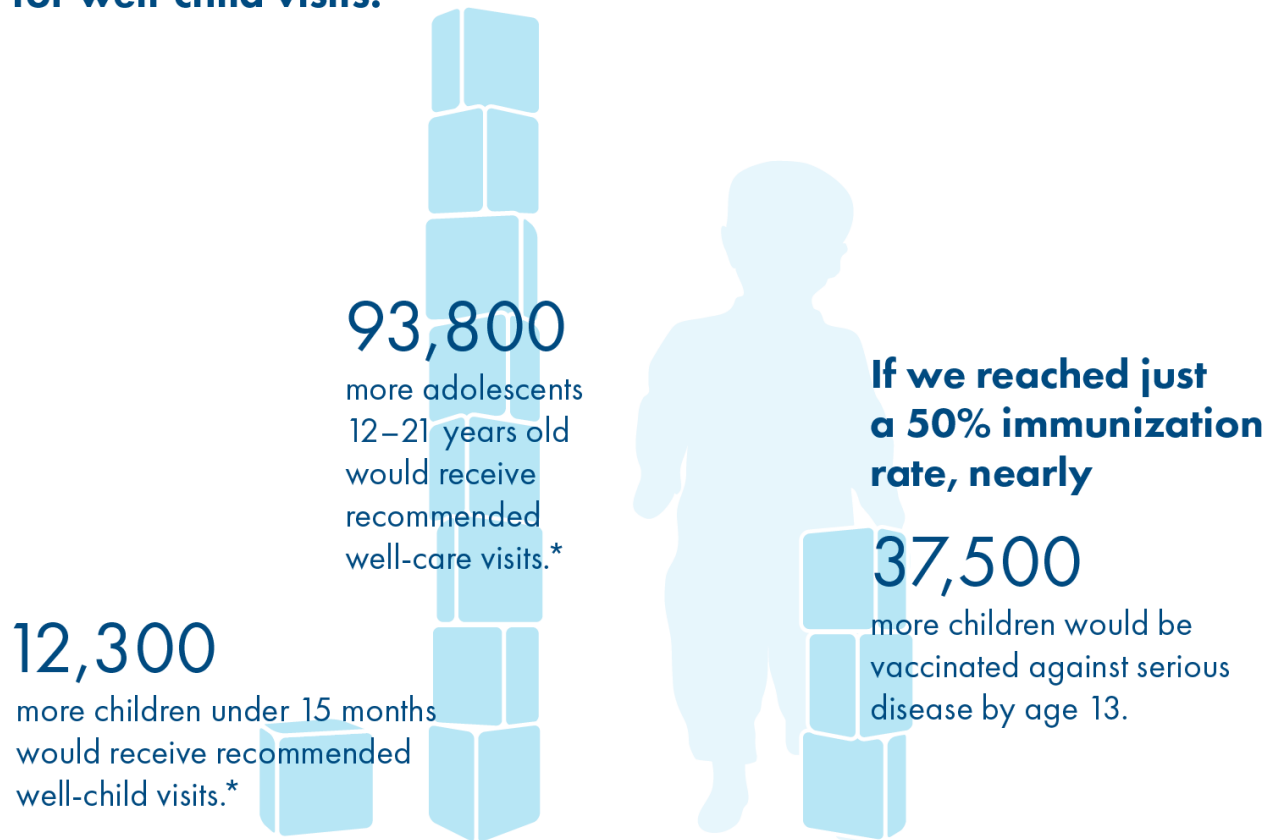
# Washington State Performance for **Medicaid Insured** as Compared to NCQA National Benchmarks

National Benchmarks	Measure	State Average	National 90th Percentile
<b>Above National 90th Percentile</b>	Staying on antidepressant medication (12 weeks)	65%	64%
	Staying on antidepressant medication (6 months)	51%	49%
<b>Between National 75th and 90th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 12–24 months)	93%	95%
	Avoiding antibiotics for children with upper respiratory infection	94%	96%
	Avoiding X-ray, MRI and CT scan for low-back pain	76%	78%
	Statin therapy for patients with cardiovascular disease	82%	84%
<b>Between National 50th and 75th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 65+)	88%	94%
	Avoiding antibiotics for adults with acute bronchitis	33%	40%
	Breast cancer screening	61%	70%
	Cervical cancer screening	59%	71%
	Managing medications for people with asthma	38%	50%
	Spirometry testing to assess and diagnose COPD	32%	45%
<b>Between National 25th and 50th Percentile</b>	Appropriate testing for children with sore throat	69%	88%
	Blood sugar (HbA1c) testing for people with diabetes	87%	93%
	Chlamydia screening	51%	71%
	Eye exam for people with diabetes	51%	68%
	Kidney disease screening for people with diabetes	90%	93%
<b>Below National 25th Percentile</b>	Access to primary care (ages 12–19 years)	84%	96%
	Access to primary care (ages 2–6 years)	79%	98%
	Access to primary care (ages 20–44)	72%	87%
	Access to primary care (ages 45–64)	78%	91%
	Access to primary care (ages 7–11 years)	83%	93%
	Adolescent well-care visits	38%	68%
	Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (30 days)	38%	57%
	Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (9 months)	45%	69%
	Monitoring patients on high-blood pressure medications	85%	93%
	Well-child visits (ages 3–6 years)	62%	83%
	Well-child visits (in the first 15 months)	43%	72%

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**If Washington were in the top 10 percent nationally  
for well-child visits:**



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# How to Take Better Care of the State's Children

## TAKING ACTION

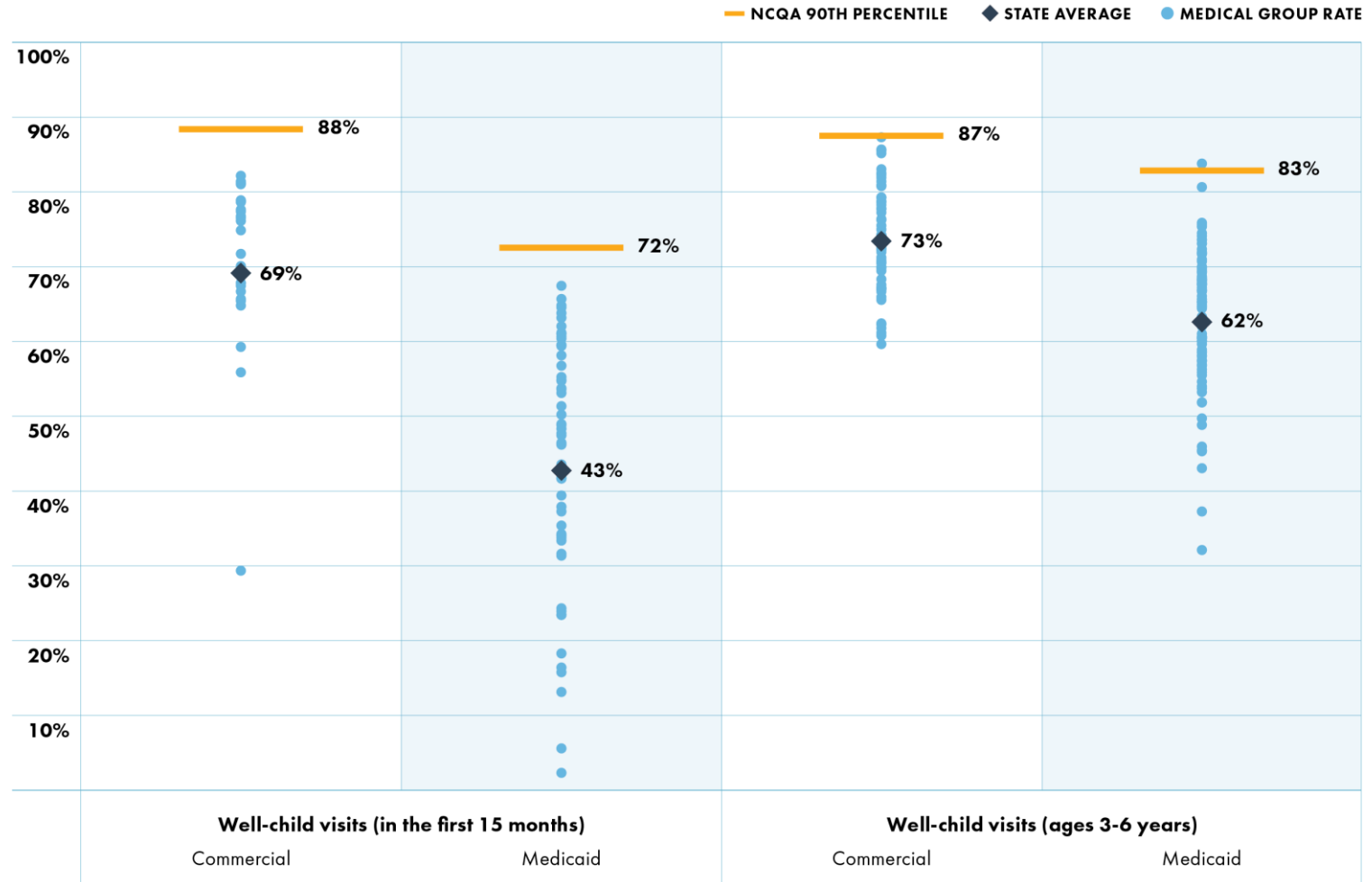
**For purchasers:** Strongly encourage employees to make sure their children are having their well-child visits. These visits are a key component of improving overall health and controlling future health conditions and costs.

**For providers:** Providers should work within their communities to understand and break down social risk factors that may interfere with parents getting their kids in for well-child care.

**For parents:** Make well-child visits a priority and automate the process as much as possible. Set reminders on your calendar, schedule visits well in advance, and remember that these visits are in your child's best interest.

**For plans:** Use health insurance claims information to identify gaps in care and proactively reach out to members who have children who have not received recommended well-child visits and vaccinations.

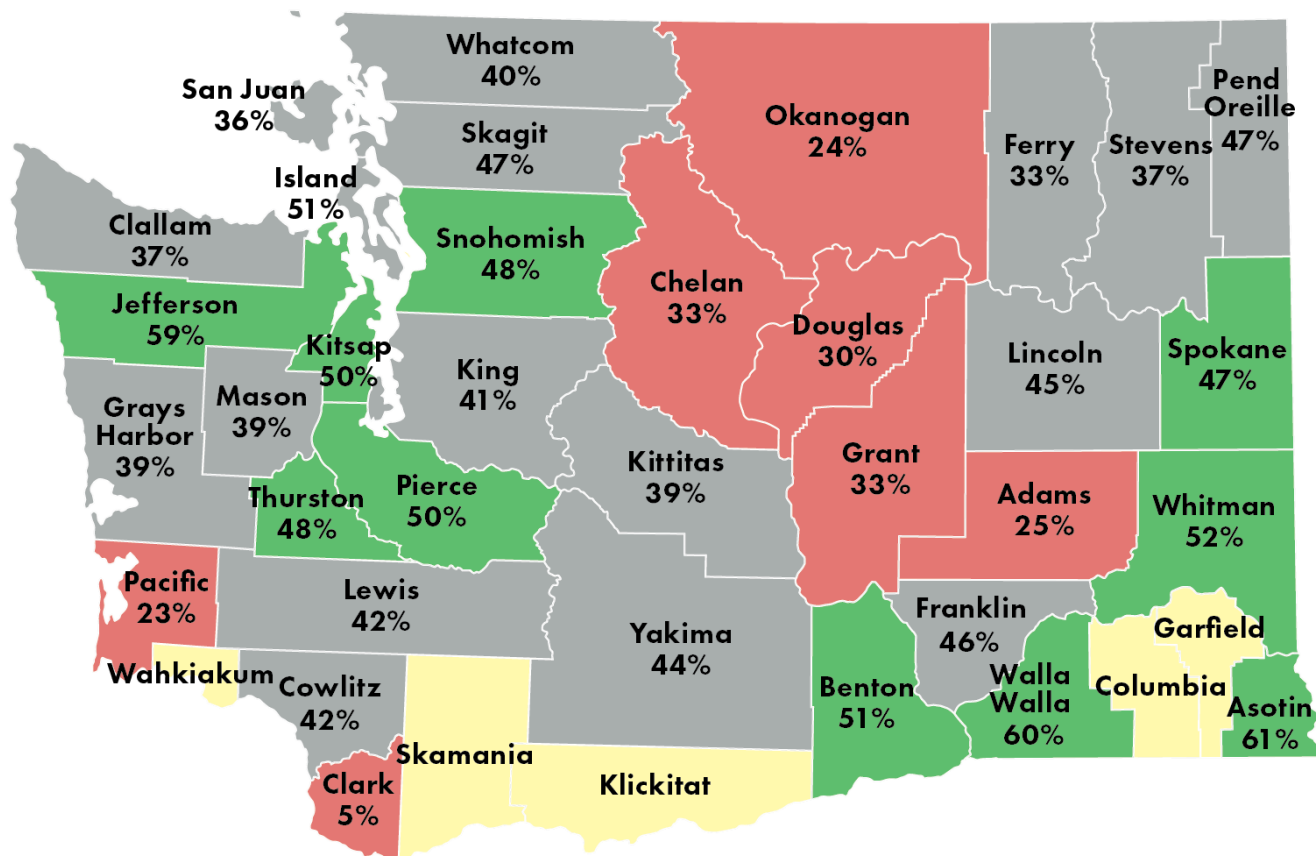
# Variation among **Medical Groups** for Well-Child Visits



# Variation among **Counties** for Well-Child Visits (in the first 15 months) for **Medicaid Insured**

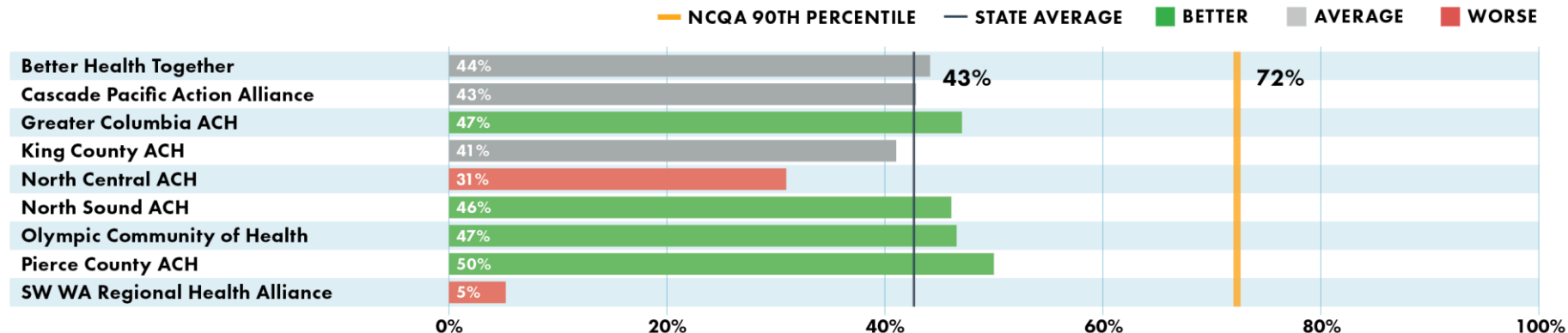
**STATE AVERAGE: 43%**

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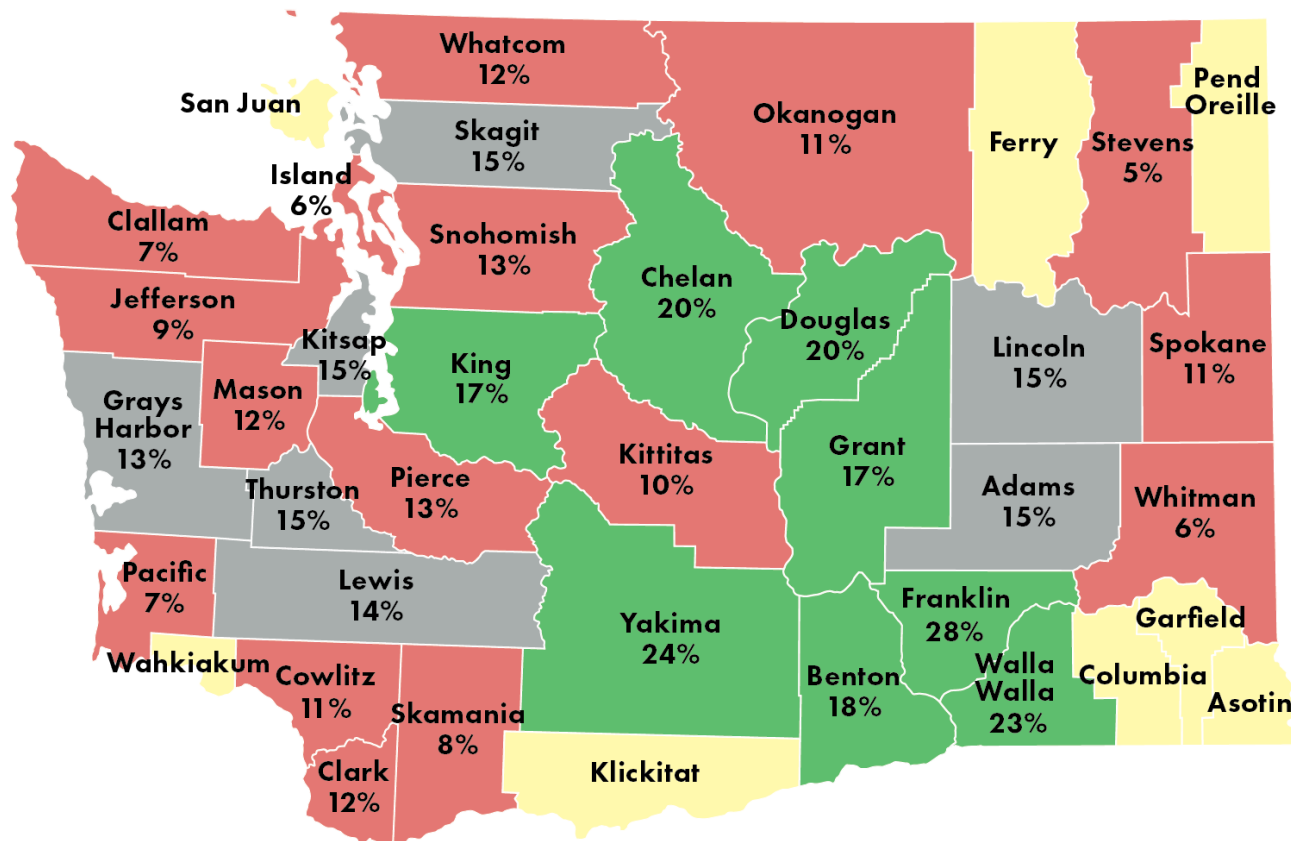
## Variation among **Accountable Communities of Health** for Well-Child Visits (in the first 15 months) for **Medicaid Insured**



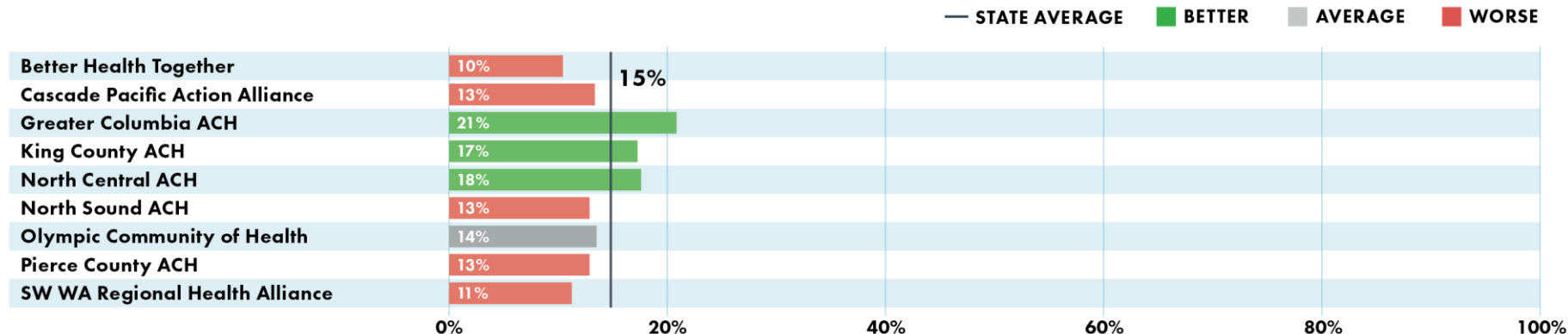
# Variation among **Counties** for Immunization by Age 13

**STATE AVERAGE: 15%**

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# Variation among **Accountable Communities of Health** for Immunization by Age 13



## If Washington were in the top 10 percent in the nation for cancer screenings:

47,700

more women  
would be screened  
for cervical cancer.

30,275

more commercially  
insured people  
would be screened  
for colon cancer.\* \*

10,440

more women  
would be  
screened for  
breast cancer.

19,660

more women  
would be screened  
for chlamydia  
(which can lead  
to some forms  
of cancer).

\*These are estimates based on the commercially and Medicaid insured lives in the Alliance's database for this measurement period. Actual statewide numbers will be higher.

\* \* National 90th percentile benchmark not available for Medicaid.

# How to Get Ahead of the Curve by Screening to Save Lives and Reduce Morbidity

## TAKING ACTION

**For purchasers:** Consider reducing or eliminating co-pays for health screenings proven to help identify and treat conditions in early stages and actively promote these screenings to your employees.

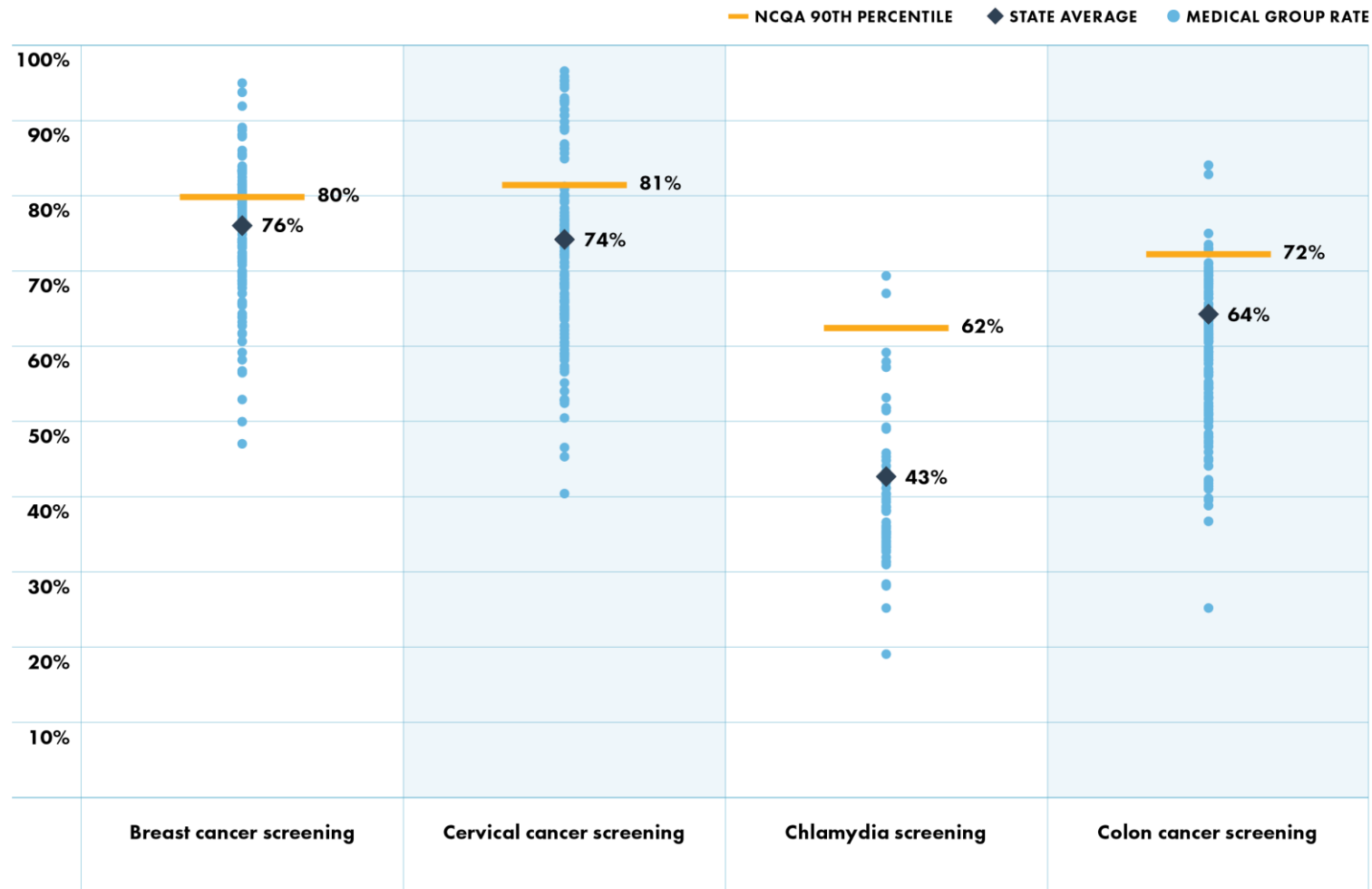
**For providers:** Make a concerted effort to talk with your patients about the importance of getting screened and being on the lookout for symptoms. Additionally, have a system in place that tracks whether your patients are receiving recommended screening at the appropriate intervals and that enables you to reach out to patients

within recommended age ranges who have not been screened.

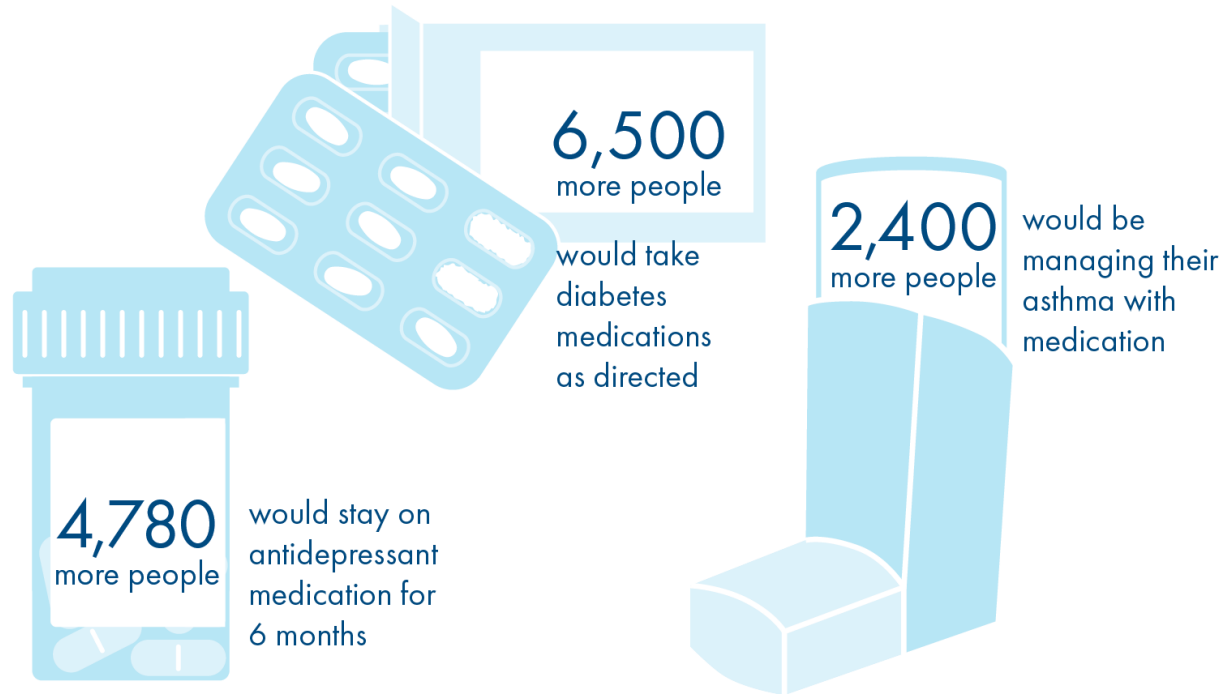
**For patients:** Learn about the symptoms and warning signs associated with different diseases. Talk to your doctor if you have concerns or are in an age group recommended for screening. Follow through and take responsibility for getting all of your recommended screenings.

**For plans:** Fully cover the cost of preventive screenings and consider wellness rewards that offer an incentive for members to be screened.

# Variation among **Medical Groups** for Cancer Screenings for **Commercially Insured**



**If we achieved a 10-percentage point improvement for three key measures, significantly more Washingtonians would have improved health.**



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# How to Improve Outcomes for People with Chronic Disease by Managing Medications and Adherence

## TAKING ACTION

**For purchasers:** Make sure cost is not a barrier. Value-based insurance design may encourage adherence by reducing or eliminating copayments and deductibles for drugs with proven benefits.

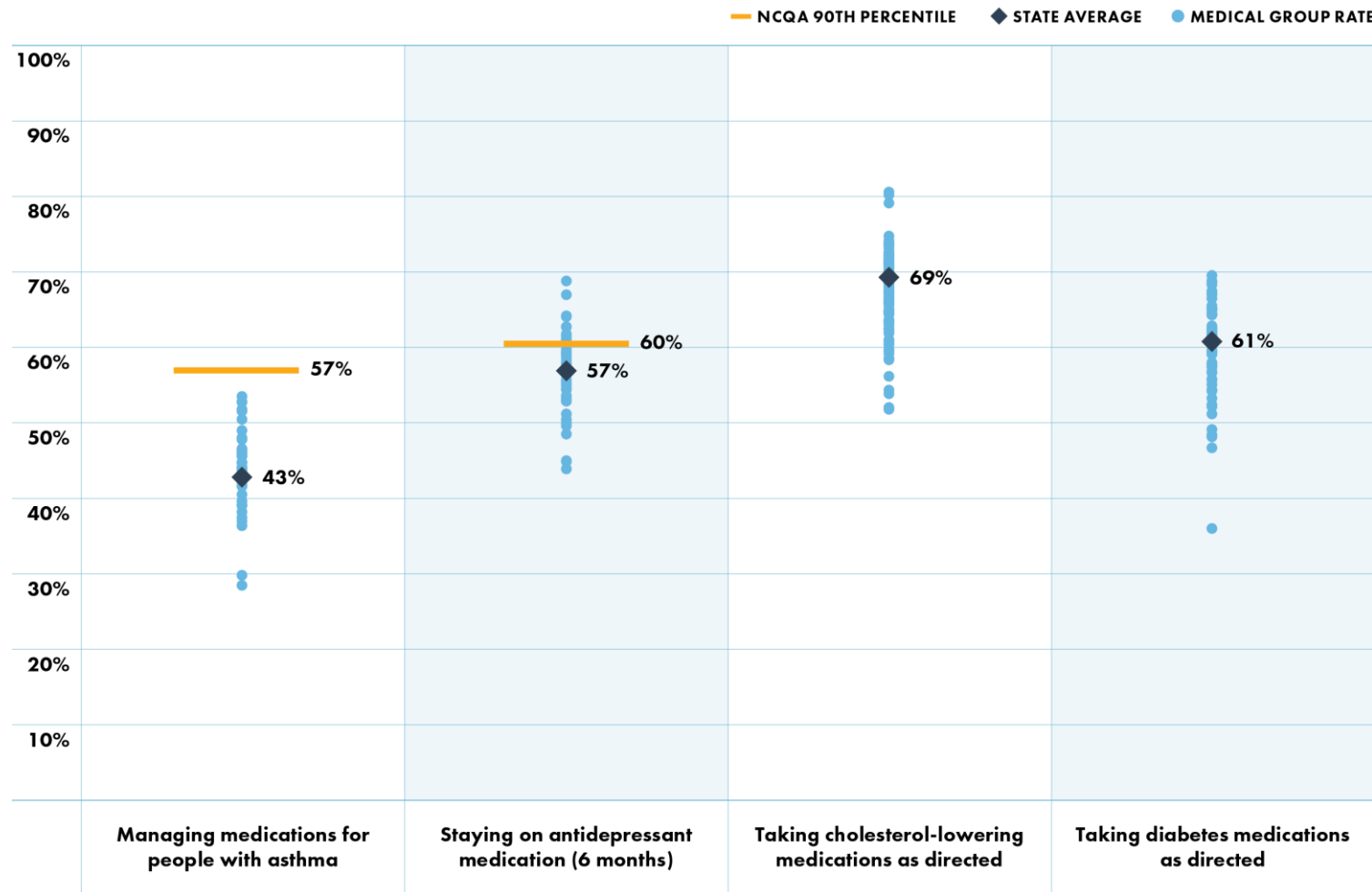
**For providers:** Routinely review all medications your patients take and monitor how well medications are working for your patients to ensure they get the maximum benefit. Emphasize the importance of adhering to their prescribed medications, and encourage them to talk to you if they have any questions or concerns.

**For patients:** Get all the information about your medication from your doctor or pharmacist. Continue your treatment plan for as long as it is prescribed, even if you are feeling better. Don't stop taking your medication or change how often or how much you take without first talking with your doctor.

**For plans:** Make sure the cost of medications is not a barrier. Align payment incentives to reward good outcomes by way of improved adherence.



# Variation among **Medical Groups** for Medication Management for **Commercially Insured**



## Overuse of the ER in Washington



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# How to Reduce Potentially Avoidable ER Visits

## TAKING ACTION

**For purchasers:** Provide your employees with objective information about the appropriate place for care and about the increased costs and risks of an ER visit. Align benefit designs to encourage employees to seek care outside of the ER for non-emergency problems.

**For providers:** Educate patients about when it's appropriate for them to visit the ER—and when it's not. Offer timely appointments that reduce the need for patients to turn to the ER when they have an urgent health issue. Triage patients when

they arrive at the ER and redirect them to urgent care or primary care if the ER setting is not necessary to treat their problem.

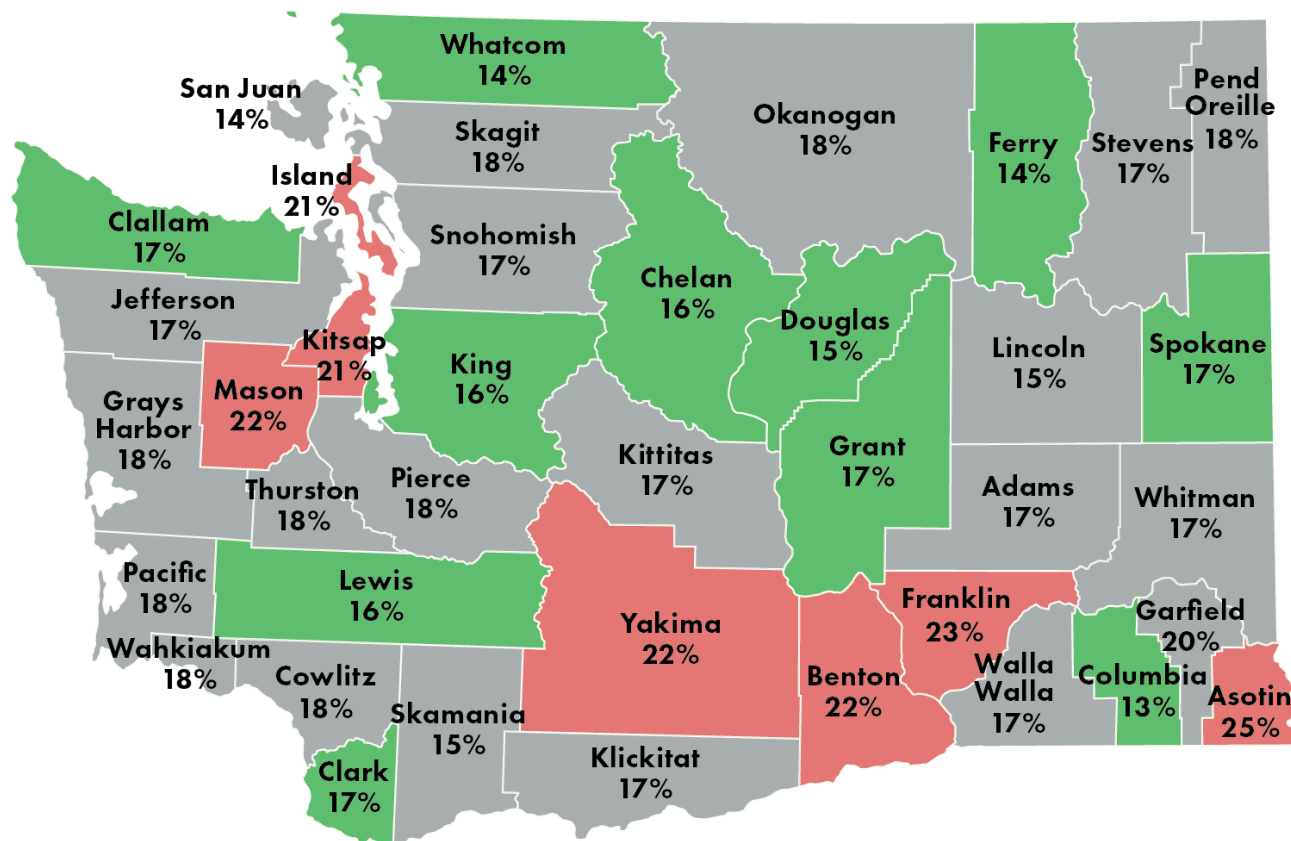
**For patients:** Establish a relationship with a primary care provider who knows your medical history and who you are comfortable turning to for help. In addition, understand the costs and risks that come with being treated in the ER.

**For plans:** Use financial incentives to promote visits to primary care or urgent care rather than the ER.

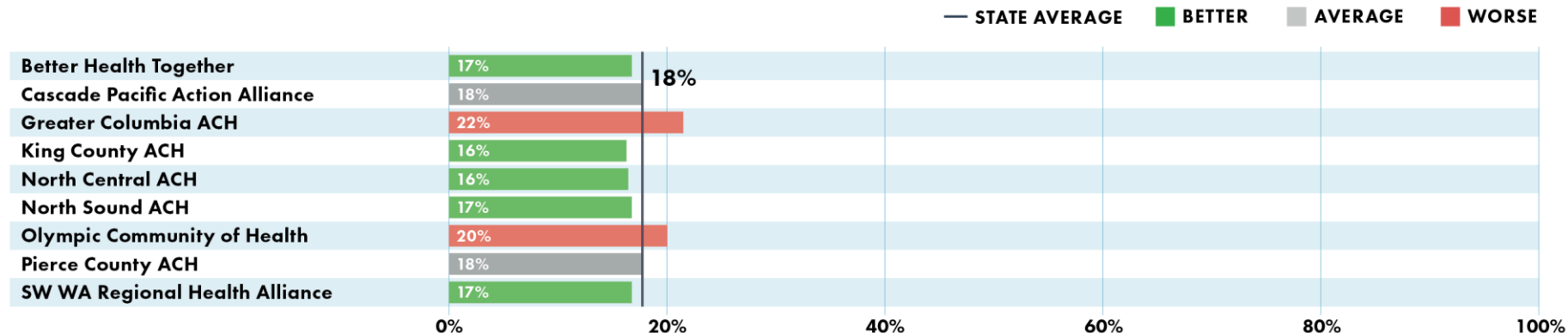
# Variation among **Counties** for Potentially Avoidable ER Visits for Medicaid Insured

**STATE AVERAGE: 18%**

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# Variation among **Accountable Communities of Health** for Potentially Avoidable ER Visits for **Medicaid Insured**



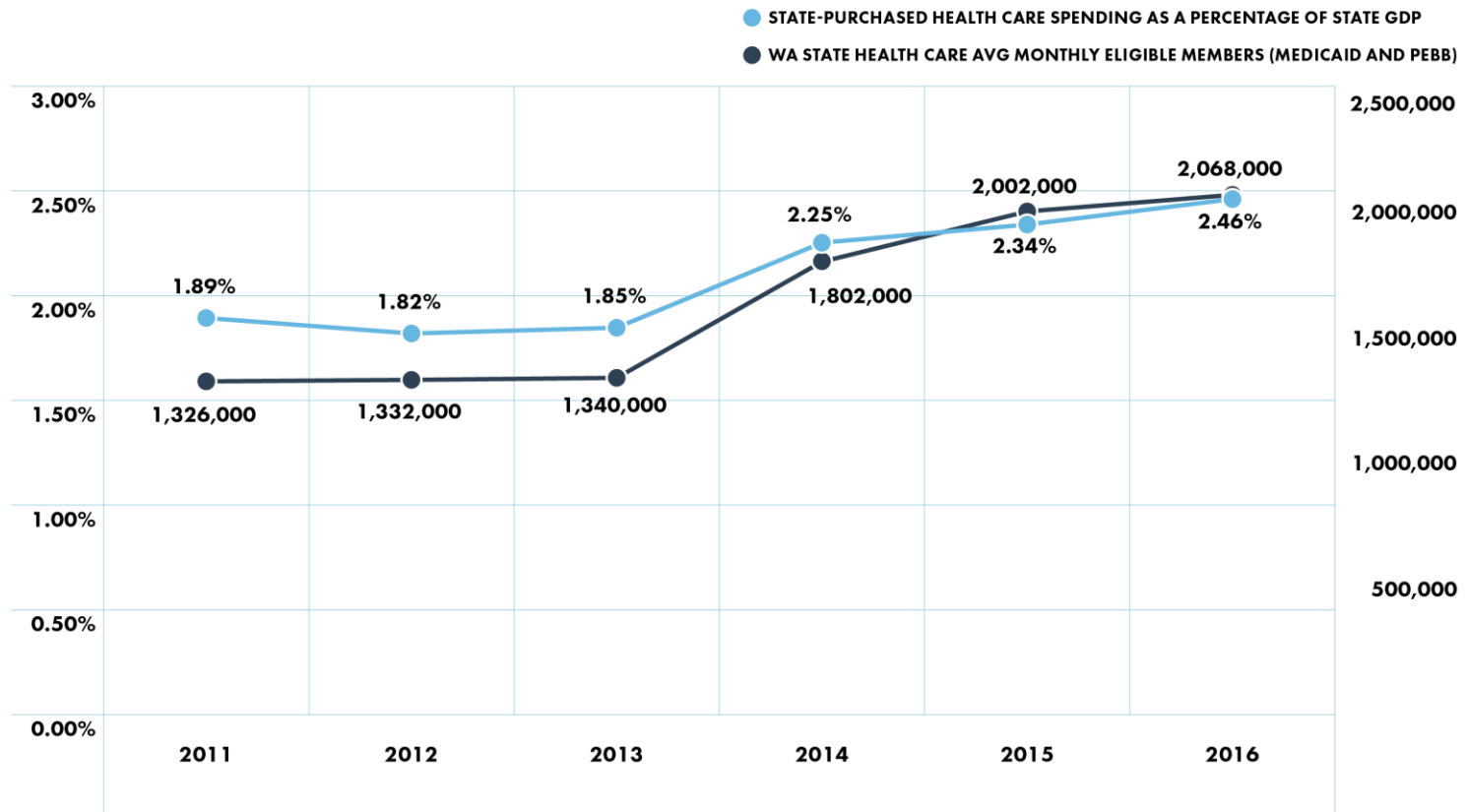
# Health Care Spending Relative to the Washington State Gross Domestic Product, 2011–2016 (Current Dollars)

	WA State-Purchased Health Care Annual Spending (includes Medicaid and PEBB)		WA State Health Care Avg Monthly Eligible Members (Medicaid and PEBB)		WA State GDP		State-Purchased Health Care Spending as a Percentage of State GDP	
<b>2011</b>	\$7,009,852,000		1,326,000		\$370,149,000,000		1.89%	
<b>2012</b>	\$7,078,265,000	1% change	1,332,000	0% change	\$388,922,000,000	5% change	1.82%	-4% change
<b>2013</b>	\$7,492,119,000	6% change	1,340,000	1% change	\$405,561,000,000	4% change	1.85%	2% change
<b>2014</b>	\$9,578,331,000	28% change	1,802,000	34% change	\$425,105,000,000	5% change	2.25%	22% change
<b>2015</b>	\$10,445,095,000	7% change	2,002,000	11% change	\$446,417,000,000	5% change	2.34%	4% change
<b>2016</b>	\$11,562,732,000	11% change	2,068,000	3% change	\$469,739,000,000	5% change	2.46%	5% change

Sources: WA State GDP from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis—GDP by State in current dollars; Medicaid Expenditures—February 2017 Forecast; Medicaid Administrative Expenditures—CMS 64; LTSS, SUD, and MH Expenditures based on Agency Financial Reporting System (AFRS) data; Medicaid Expenditures include medical, dental, vision, pharmacy, long-term support services, mental health, and substance use disorder expenditures; and excludes Part D Clawback and pass-through payments.

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# Washington State-Purchased Health Care Spending as a Percentage of State GDP and Total Average Monthly Eligible Members for State-Purchased Health Care



# Medicaid Per Enrollee Spending in Washington State, 2011–2016

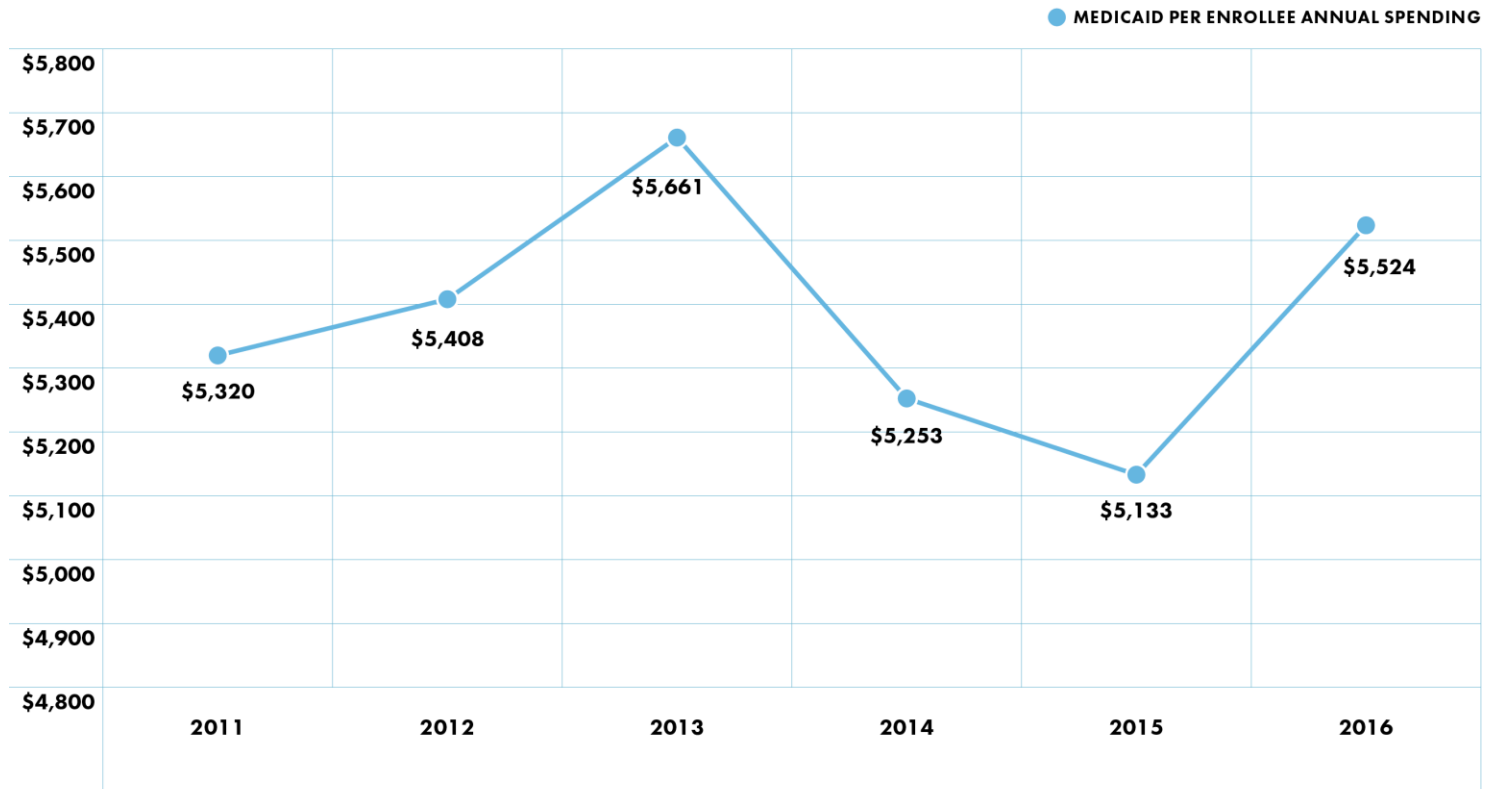
	Medicaid Expenditures		Medicaid Average Member Enrollment		Medicaid per Enrollee Annual Spending	
<b>2011</b>	\$5,600,272,000		1,053,000		\$5,320	
<b>2012</b>	\$5,752,042,000	3% change	1,064,000	1% change	\$5,408	2% change
<b>2013</b>	\$6,059,680,000	5% change	1,070,000	1% change	\$5,661	5% change
<b>2014</b>	\$8,033,814,000	33% change	1,530,000	43% change	\$5,253	-7% change
<b>2015</b>	\$8,876,758,000	10% change	1,729,000	13% change	\$5,133	-2% change
<b>2016</b>	\$9,900,068,000	12% change	1,792,000	4% change	\$5,524	8% change

Source: Medicaid Expenditures—October 2016 Forecast; Medicaid Administrative Expenditures—CMS 64; LTSS, SUD, and MH Expenditures based on AFRS data; Medicaid expenditures include medical, dental, vision, pharmacy, long-term support services, mental health, and substance use disorder expenditures; and excludes Part D Clawback and pass-through payments.

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# Medicaid per Enrollee Annual Spending, 2011–2016



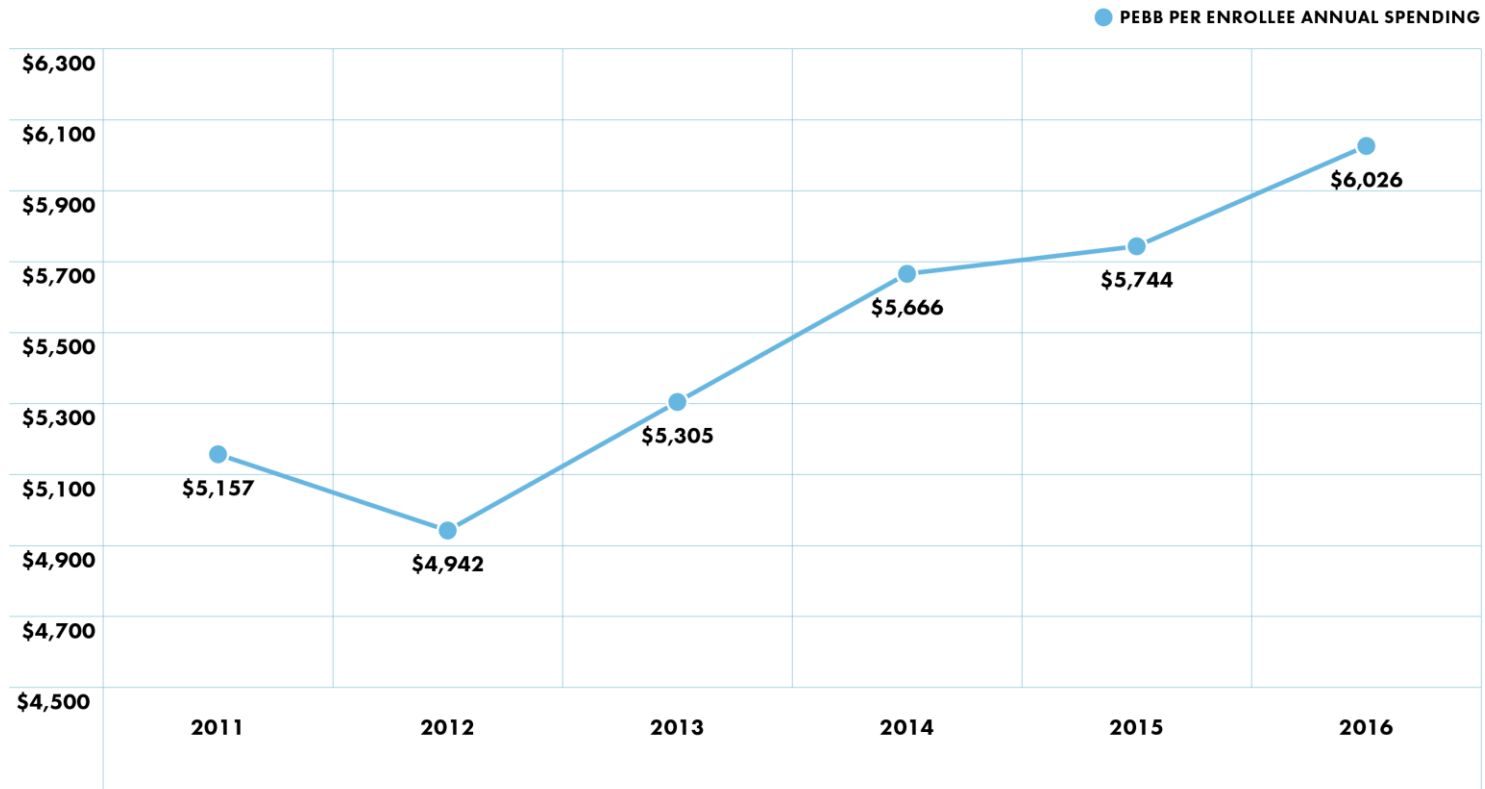
# PEBB Per Enrollee Spending in Washington State, 2011–2016

	PEBB Expenditures		PEBB Average Member Enrollment		PEBB per Enrollee Annual Spending	
<b>2011</b>	\$ 1,409,579,000		273,000		\$5,157	
<b>2012</b>	\$ 1,326,224,000	-6% change	268,000	-2% change	\$4,942	-4% change
<b>2013</b>	\$ 1,432,440,000	8% change	270,000	1% change	\$5,305	7% change
<b>2014</b>	\$ 1,544,517,000	8% change	273,000	1% change	\$5,666	7% change
<b>2015</b>	\$ 1,568,336,000	2% change	273,000	0% change	\$5,744	1% change
<b>2016</b>	\$ 1,662,665,000	6% change	276,000	1% change	\$6,026	5% change

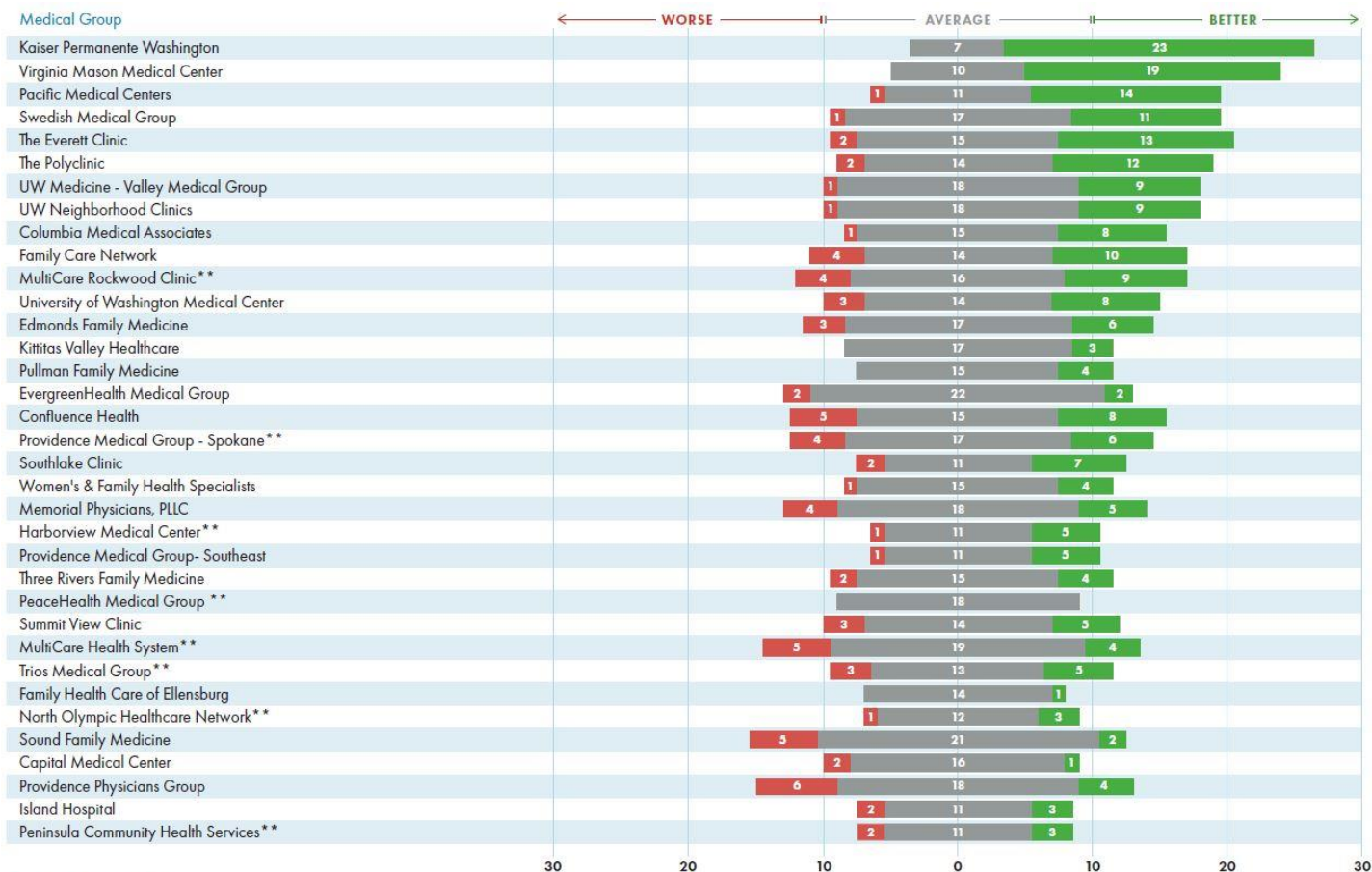
Source: Calendar years 2011–2013, Milliman PFPM 8.0 (10/15/2015); Calendar years 2014–2015, Milliman PFPM 3.0 (5/11/2016); Calendar year 2016, Milliman PFPM 6.0, 20170214, Exhibit 4a.

Non-Medicare expenditures includes medical, dental and vision. Excludes life insurance and long-term disability.

## PEBB per Enrollee Annual Spending, 2011–2016



# Ranking Medical Group Performance for **Commercially Insured:** Medical Groups That Have Results for **15 or More** Measures (part 1)



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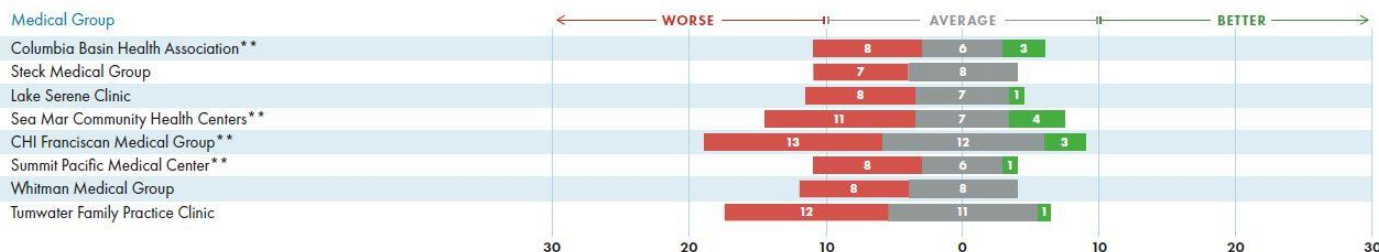
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# Ranking Medical Group Performance for **Commercially Insured**: Medical Groups That Have Results for **Between 5 and 14 Measures** (part 1)



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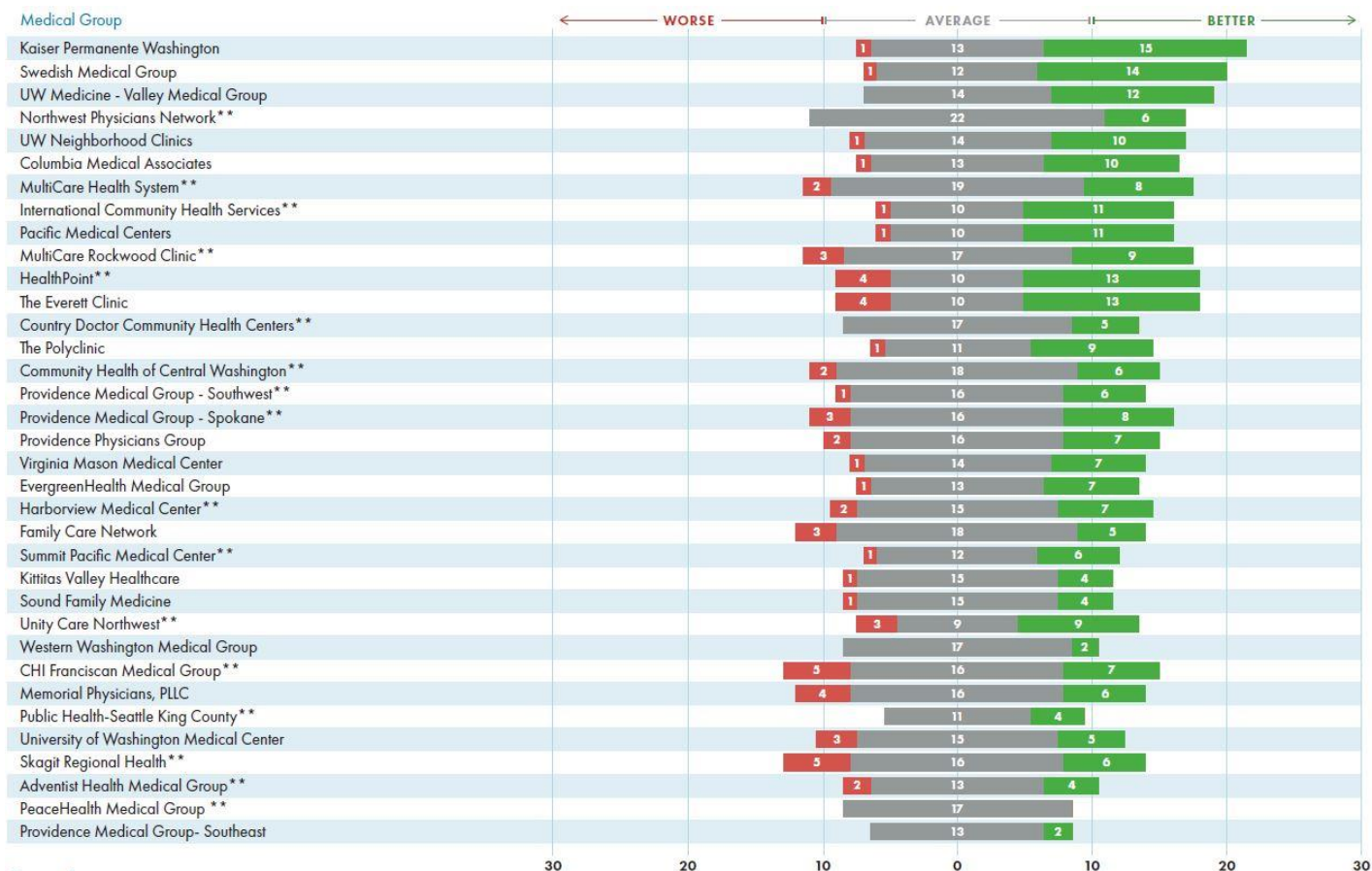


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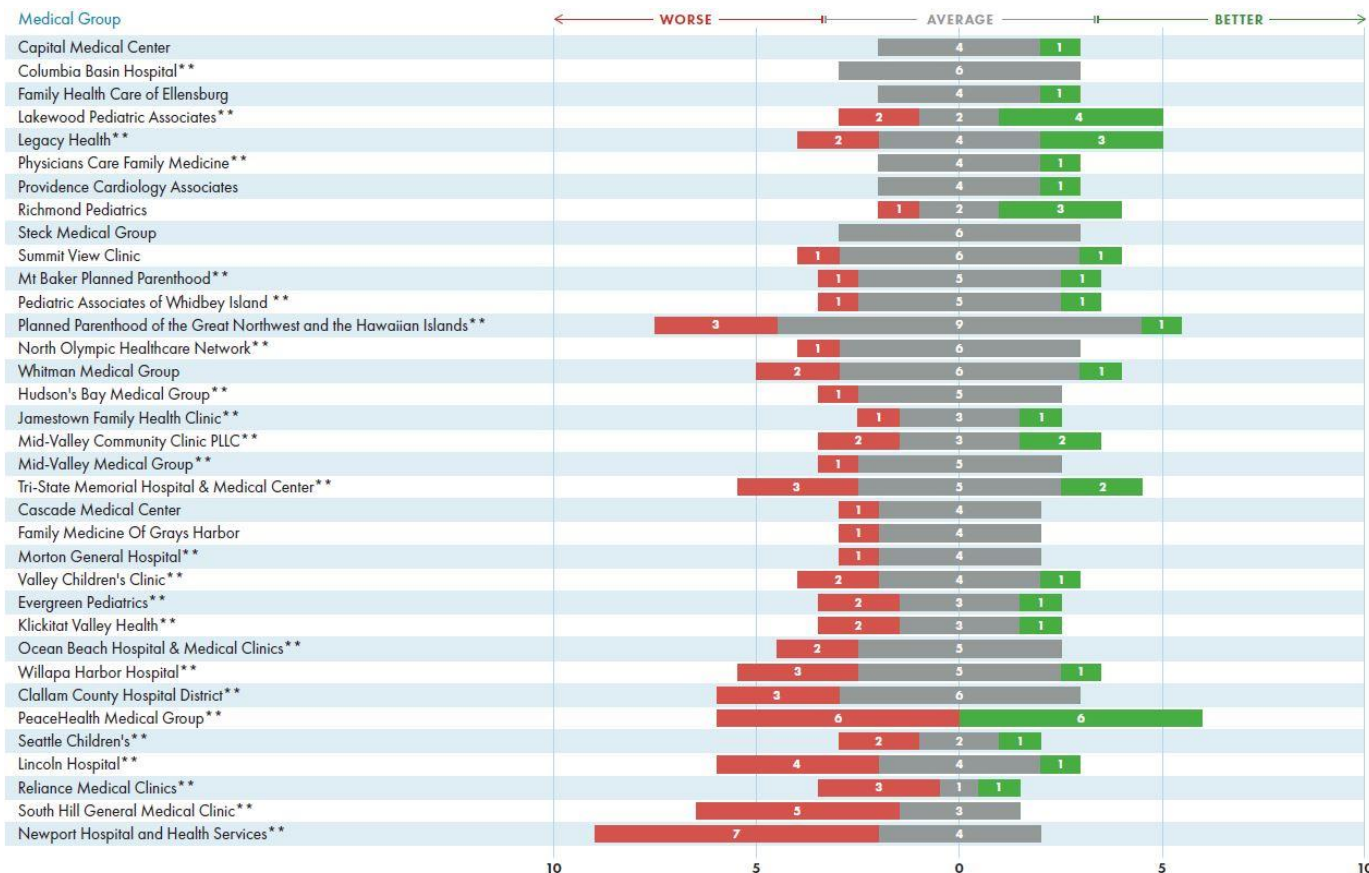


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# Rules of Use

The Washington Alliance encourages broad and appropriate use of the results to engage purchasers, health plans, doctors, nurses, clinics and patients in conversations about quality, and to set goals and target resources. Optimal use of the Community Checkup results fall into three general areas:

- Drive quality improvement
- Promote consumer health and informed decision-making
- Structure programs to reward value in the delivery of health care

Examples of optimal uses that drive quality improvement, promote consumer engagement and reward value might include: ensuring that health benefits cover and promote needed services or approaches measured in the Community Checkup report; using the results during contract negotiations to recognize or encourage improvement; or, aligning provider reimbursement to reward actions that promote wellness and effectively manage chronic conditions.

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