



The Future of Post-Acute Care Under Value-Based Payment

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What Would Stuart Altman Say?



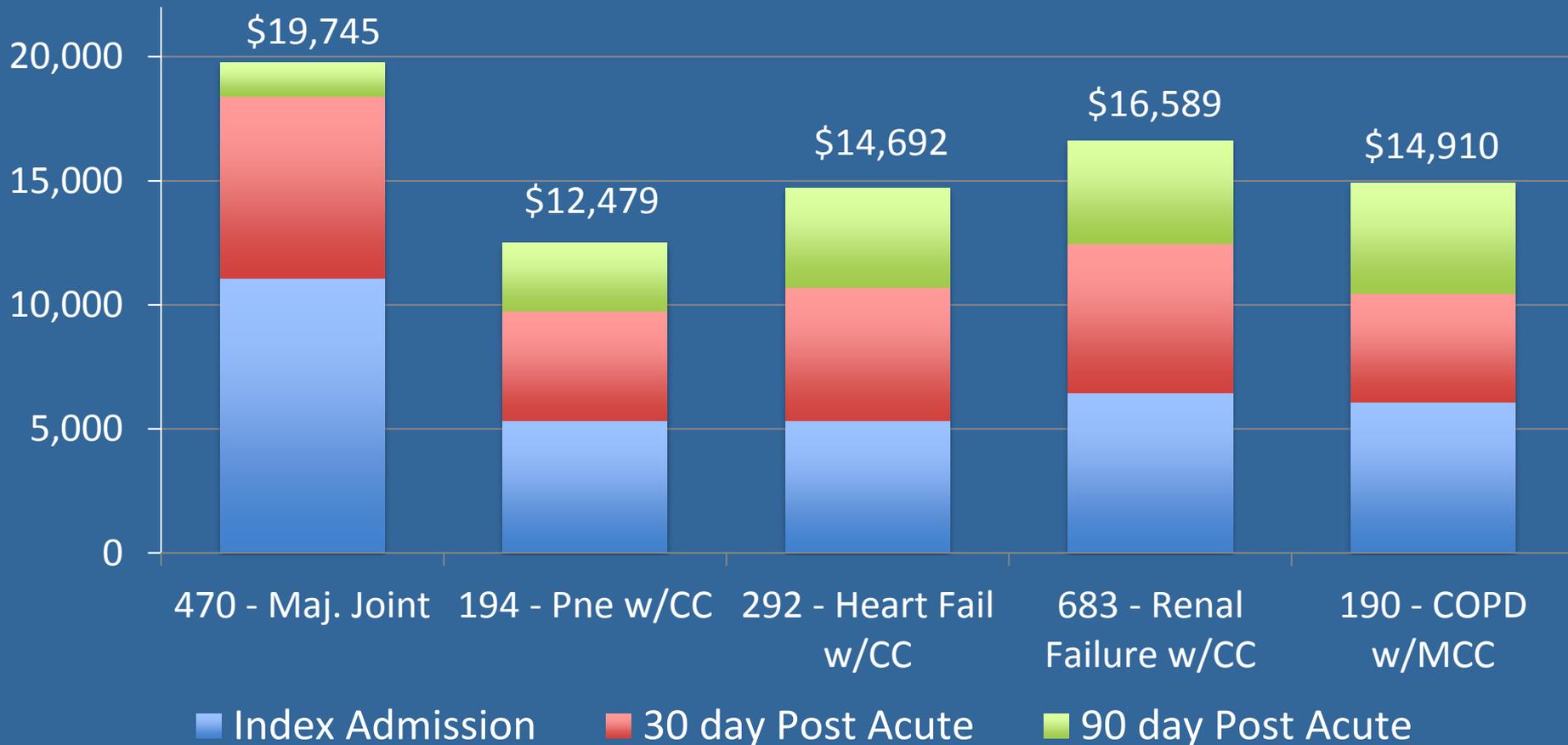
*You guys better
fix this system
before I have
to use it!*

Stuart's Granddaughter Weighs In



*Please take
great care of
grandpa but
don't spend
too much!*

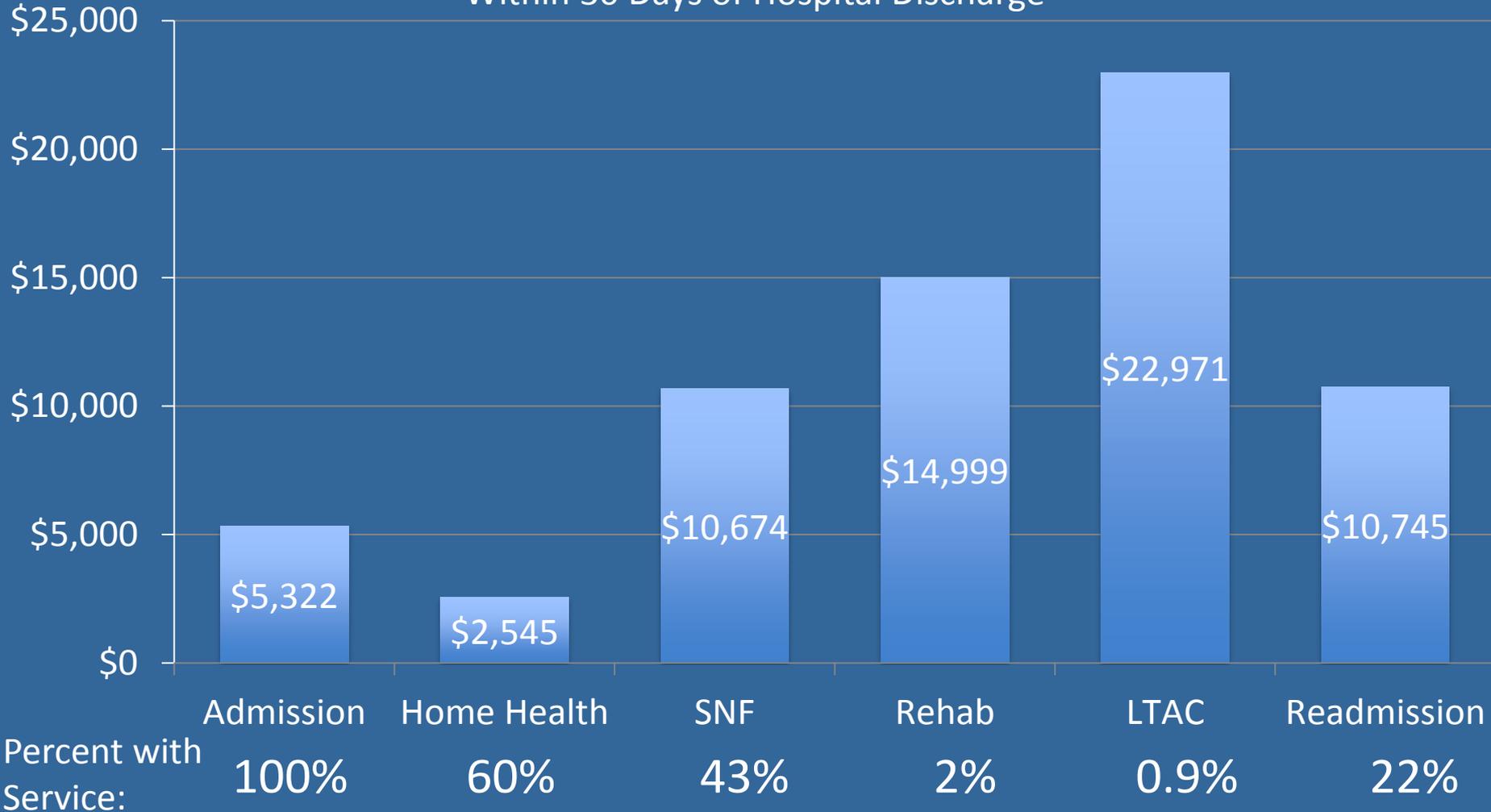
2008 Medicare Acute and Post-Acute Payments for Inpatient-Initiated 90-Day Episodes



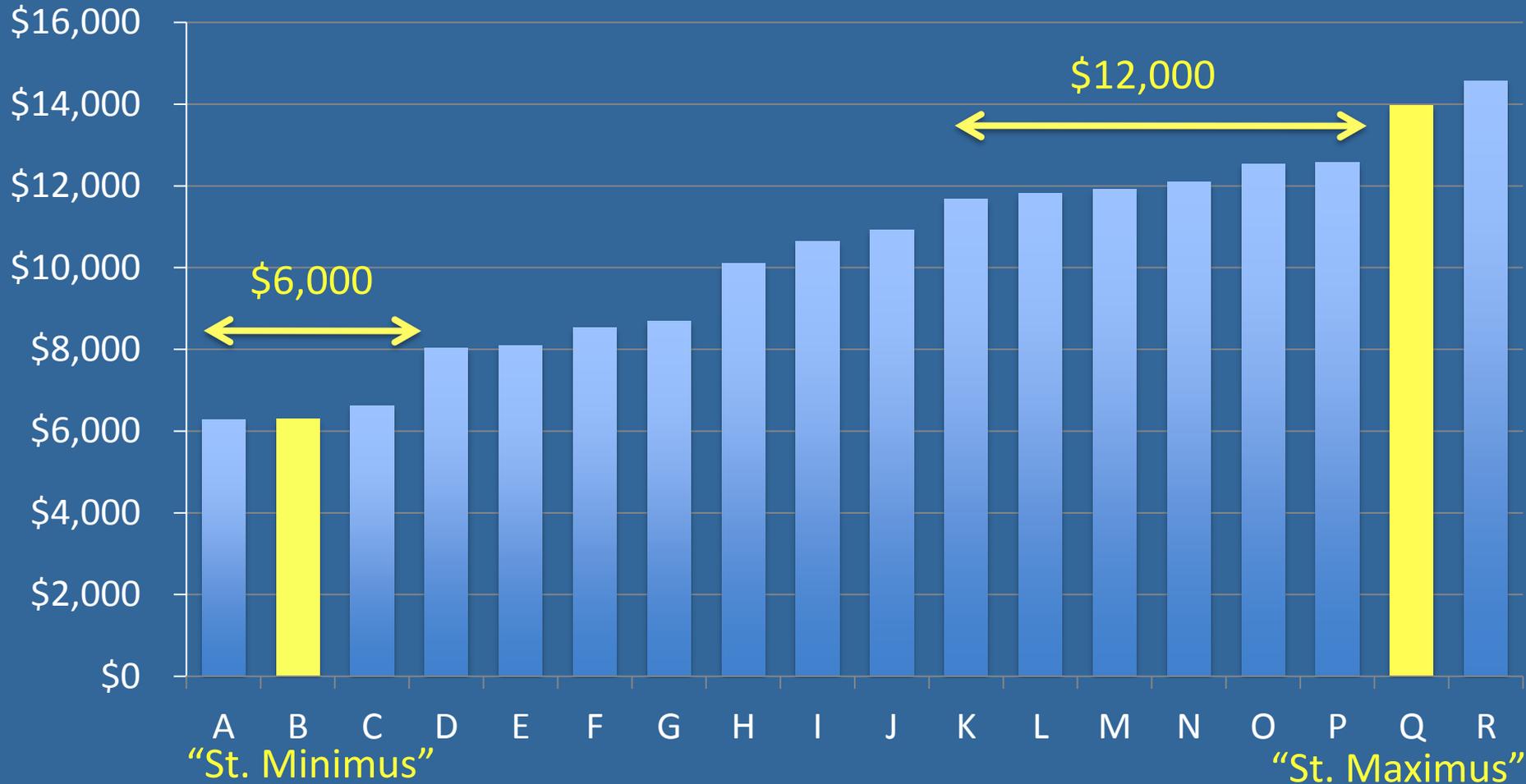
Source: RTI Inc, Post-Acute Care Episodes: Expanded Analytic File, June 2011. 30-90 day amounts are estimated based on RTI, Analysis of Acute Care Episode Definitions Chart Book, November 2009.

2008 Medicare Post-Acute Care Payments Per User by Site of Service: DRG 292 (CHF w/CC)

Within 30 Days of Hospital Discharge

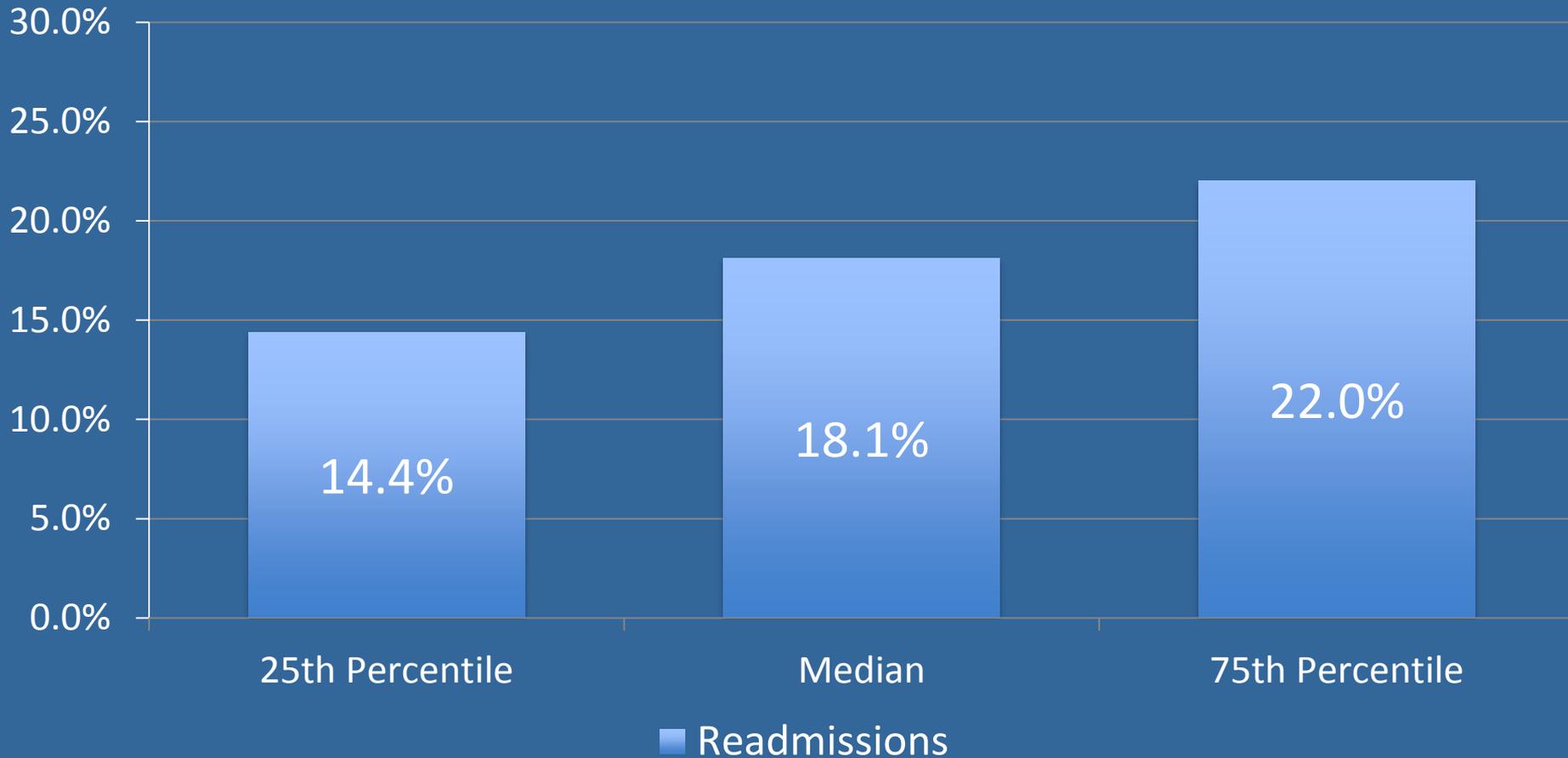


Average 2009 Post-Acute Care Spending per Episode for Total Joint Replacement (90 day)

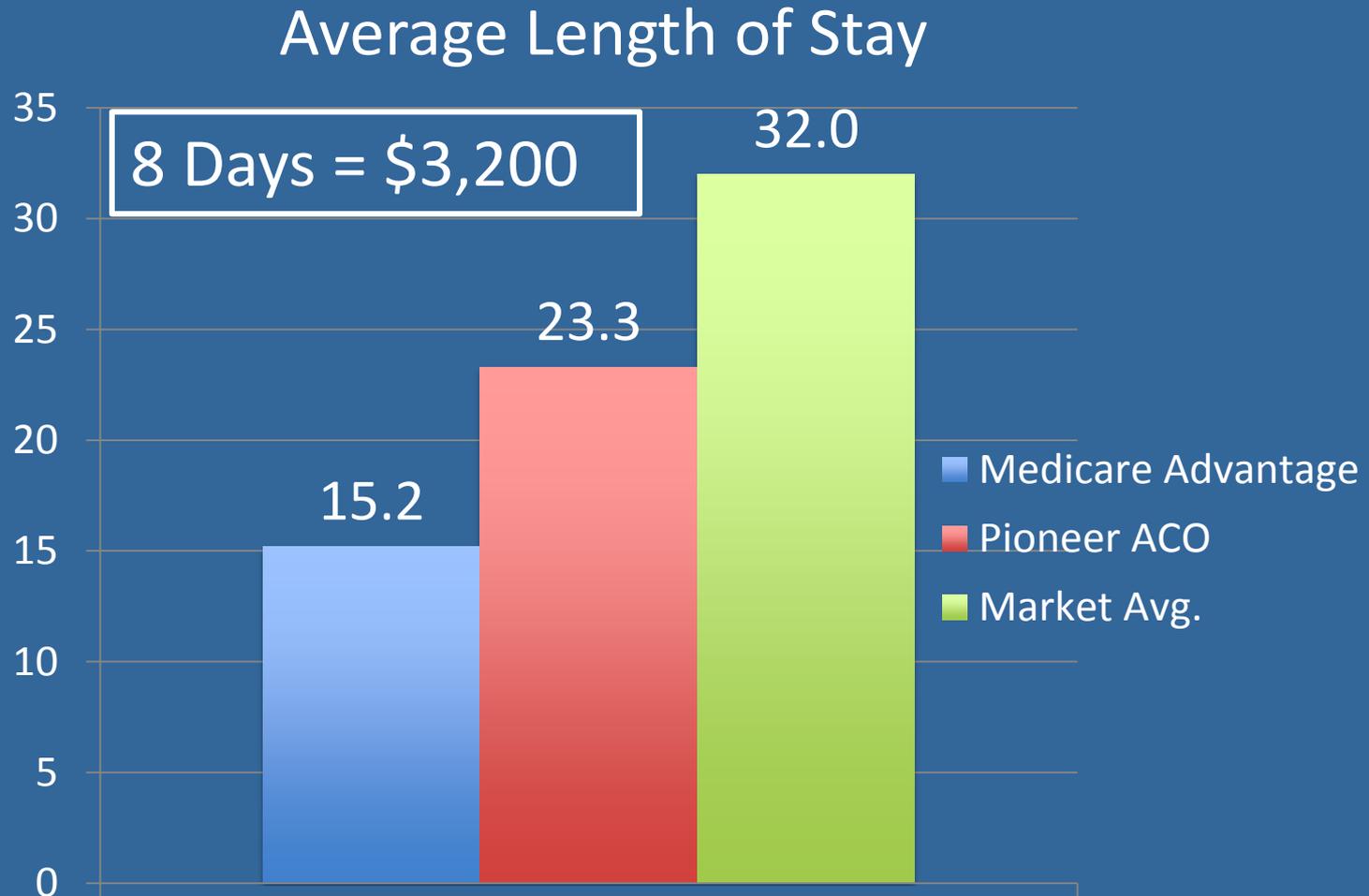


Source: Brandeis University analysis of Medicare Claims data. Figures adjusted for hospital wage index.

Variation in 2009 Risk Adjusted Readmission Rates from Skilled Nursing Facilities



Performance in One Health System's Preferred SNF Network



What Will the Future Hold?

- Speed of payment reform and delivery system change
- Medicare payment policy for post-acute care services
- Post-acute care system restructuring
- Local and large-scale efforts to coordinate care
- Impact on patients