

“Achieving a quality, equitable and sustainable health system”

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2015 NATIONAL HEALTH ACCOUNTS REPORT
Bermuda health system finance and expenditure for fiscal year 2013-2014

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New Provider Regulations

Section 13 of the Health Council's Act provides authority to **license health service providers**. We are developing mechanisms such as creating a register of health service providers and managing financially-vested referrals, health technology entry, and Standard Health Benefit (SHB) providers. The purpose of the initiative is to protect patient safety and ensure best practice, ultimately improving outcomes, service quality, patient satisfaction, and availability of information for patients. **Consultation meetings are taking place throughout July.** Contact jlightbourne@bhec.bm with any questions.

Better health benefits and lower premiums

It would be great to have such headline reflect Bermuda's reality. Unfortunately, as we all know, we're not quite there yet.

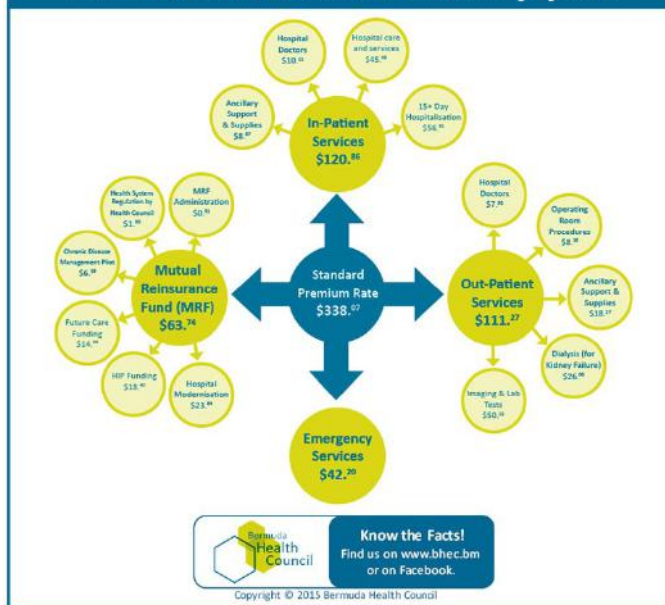
We say “yet” because it's a goal we continue to strive for, and it may be within our reach. However, note that it says “better benefits” not “more benefits”. We can't do both.

We could contain and eventually lower premiums if we use our coverage better – commonly used examples

are to see a doctor instead of emergency services, or

ly more examples. But it requires coordinated effort to achieve what is needed and, until then, premiums will continue to on their existing trend.

What does the Standard Premium pay for?



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The graphic shows how the standard premium rate is spent. While it doesn't have all the answers, it helps to highlight some of the areas where we could make a difference. We hope improve-

ments to the Standard Health Benefit structure will help (story below). to use screening and diagnostic tests prudently according to clinical guidelines. And there are infinite-

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Call for Standard Health Benefit proposals

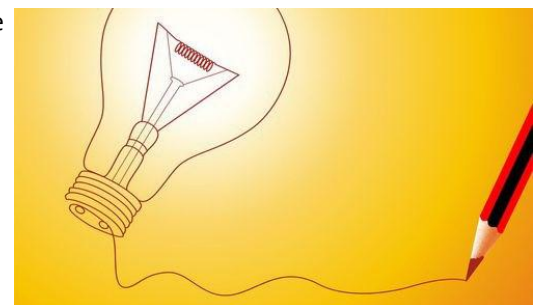
The Health Council considers annual changes to the Standard Health Benefit based on feedback from private and public sector stakeholders.

The **priorities** identified this year are **secondary prevention and treatment of specific chronic non-communicable conditions and end of life care**, to improve patient outcomes, contain insurance premi-

ums and reduce healthcare costs.

The Council invites eligible healthcare providers to submit proposals to address these priorities in

2016. Application forms and Guide are at: www.bhec.bm/for-professionals/forms/



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