# CHBRP Benefit Coverage, Cost, and Utilization (Cost)

#### California Health Benefits Review Program

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# **Cost Impact Analysis**

- Per our authorizing statute, CHBRP addresses the following for *each* proposed mandate:
  - 1. Will more enrollees have coverage for benefit/treatment?
  - 2. How will utilization change if the benefit/treatment is covered?
  - 3. What is the marginal/incremental change in cost as a result of the change in coverage and change in utilization of the benefit/treatment?



# Step 1: Establishing a Baseline Population and Premium Model

- Before estimating the marginal impacts, CHBRP develops a baseline.
- > CHBRP's Baseline Model estimates:
  - <u>Enrollees</u>: How many people in CA have stateregulated health insurance
  - <u>Expenditures</u>: What are total health expenditures?
     o Premiums
    - o Cost-sharing (copayments, deductibles)
    - o Non-covered expenses



### Sources for CHBRP 2014 Baseline Estimates

Snapshot of state population	<ul> <li>California Health Interview Sur</li> </ul>	CalSIM vey
Health insurance at CA firms	• California Employer Health Ben	efits Survey
What does health insurance cost?	<ul> <li>California Employer Health Ben</li> <li>Survey of 7 largest carriers (97)</li> </ul>	
Enrollment in public programs	<ul> <li>Administrative information from agencies</li> </ul>	n state

### Bill-Specific Adjustments to Model Cost Impact

	<u>Step 2</u> : Premandate (Baseline)	<b>Step 3:</b> Postmandate (Marginal Change)
A. Benefit Coverage	How many are <i>currently</i> <i>covered</i> for the relevant treatments/services?	How many would be newly covered?
<u>B.</u> Utilization	Are enrollees <u>using</u> the treatment/service <u>now</u> ?* *Regardless of whether they have coverage	Will demand/utilization <u>change</u> if enrollees have coverage?
<u>C.</u> Expendi- tures	What are <i>current total costs</i> associated with the treatments/services?	What is the <i>marginal</i> <i>change</i> in costs resulting from change in coverage and utilization?

# Table 1 Summarizes CHBRP Model Findings

 Table 1. AB 1738 Impacts on Benefit Coverage, Utilization, and Cost, 2012

	Before Mandate	After Mandate	Increase/ Decrease	Change After Mandate
Den efit Course as	Manuale	Mandate	Decrease	Manuate
Benefit Coverage				
Total enrollees with health insurance subject	21,882,000	21,882,000	0	0%
to state-level benefit mandates(a)				
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to AB 1738				
Number of Enrollees with Counseling				
Coverage				
No coverage	3,765,607	0	-3,765,607	-100.0%
Coverage, with cost sharing	735,467	0	-735,467	-100.0%
Full coverage, no cost sharing	17,380,926	21,882,000	4,501,074	25.9%
Number of Enrollees with OTC Drug				
Coverage				
No coverage	8,417,064	0	-8,417,064	-100.0%
Coverage, with cost sharing	8,757,726	0	-8,757,726	-100.0%
Full coverage, no cost sharing	4,707,211	21,882,000	17,174,789	364.9%
Number of Enrollees with Prescription				



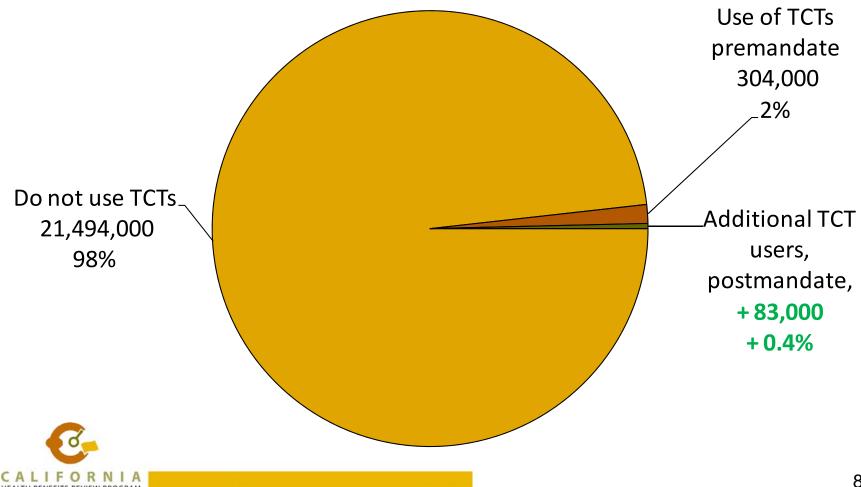
## Example: Tobacco Cessation <u>A</u>. Benefit Coverage

	Pre- mandate		Marginal Change in Coverage
Over-the-	21.5%	100%	+ 78.5%
counter			
Drugs			

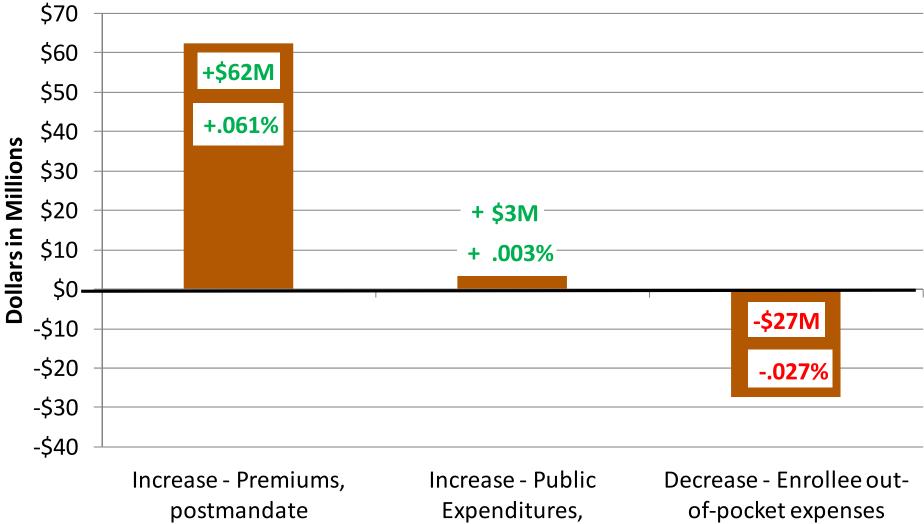


#### **B**. Marginal Change in <u>Utilization</u> of One or More **Tobacco Cessation Treatments (TCTs)**

Total enrollees in state-regulated health insurance = 21.9 million

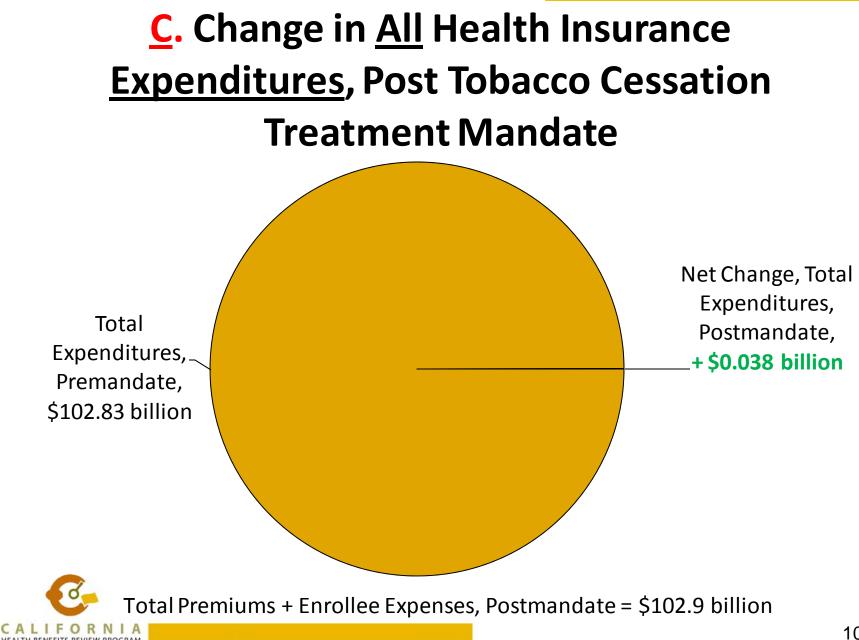


#### **<u>C</u>**. Change in <u>Total Expenditures</u> from Tobacco Cessation Mandate



postmandate

(covered and noncovered)



#### Conclusions

- The Affordable Care Act (ACA) changes the baseline estimates.
- CHBRP estimates the marginal change in utilization or total expenditures.
- Estimates reflect costs one year post enactment.

