## **Revenue Cycle Redesign**

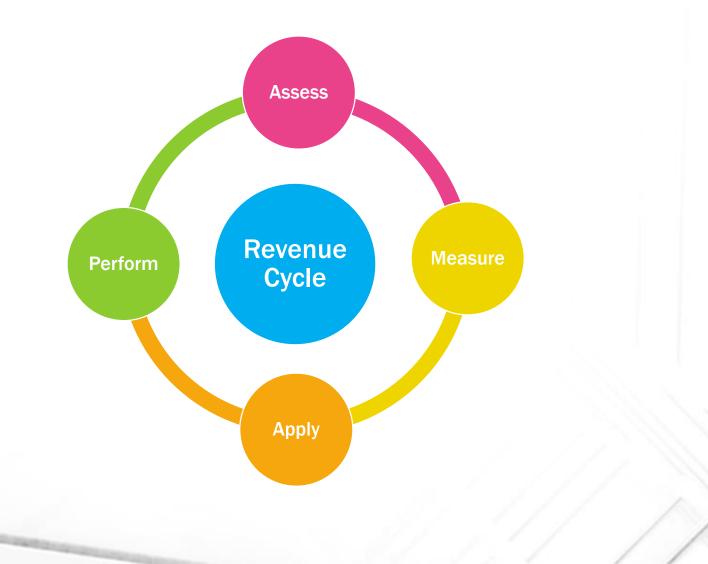
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### **22<sup>nd</sup> Best Practices**

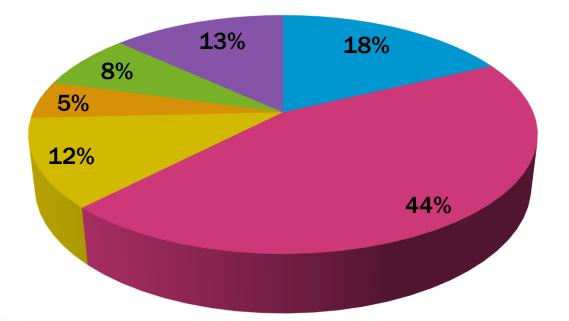
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## **The CBHA Perspective**



# **Organization Payer Mix**

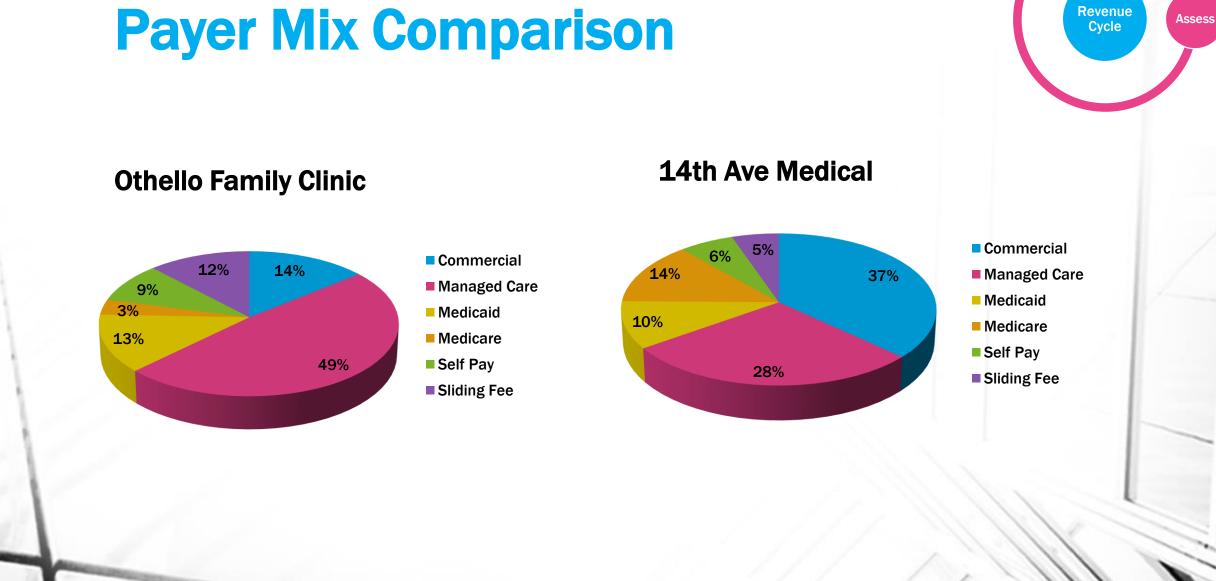


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- Managed Care
- Medicaid
- Medicare
- Self Pay
- Sliding Fee



## **Consultant Revenue Cycle Assessment**

Revenue Cycle

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- Registration / Check-out / Coding
- Billing / Collections
- Compliance / Call Center

### Structure

- Billers worked a "cradle to grave" approach on claims
- Coders dual duty
  - $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Coding and
  - Checkout process collecting payments
- Organizational Structure

Director of Operations ← Clinic Manager ← Registrars



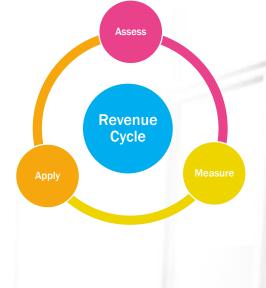
## What we measure....

- Days in A/R
- % of A/R >60 and % >90 days
- Copay Collection
- Denials
- Days to File a claim
- # of times a claim is filed
- Individual performance by Business Office and Registrar staff
- Claims Audit different from a Chart Audit



## **Apply Changes – Business Office**

- Re-wrote Billing staff job descriptions
- Added 3 FTE
  - Reimbursement Recovery Specialist Trainer
    - Trainer for Business Office / Denial Training plan with Front Office
  - Reimbursement Coding Specialist
    - Lead Coder / Electronic Charge Capture / Claims Auditing
  - Payment Poster
    - Processes claims and payments 90% done electronically
- Process Flow changes
  - Billers work denials by assigned payer
  - Collections Counselors work all patient account collections

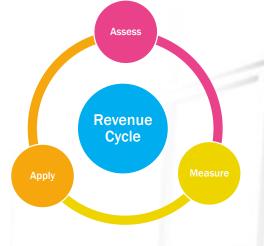


## Apply Changes – Business Office (Continued)

### • Coders

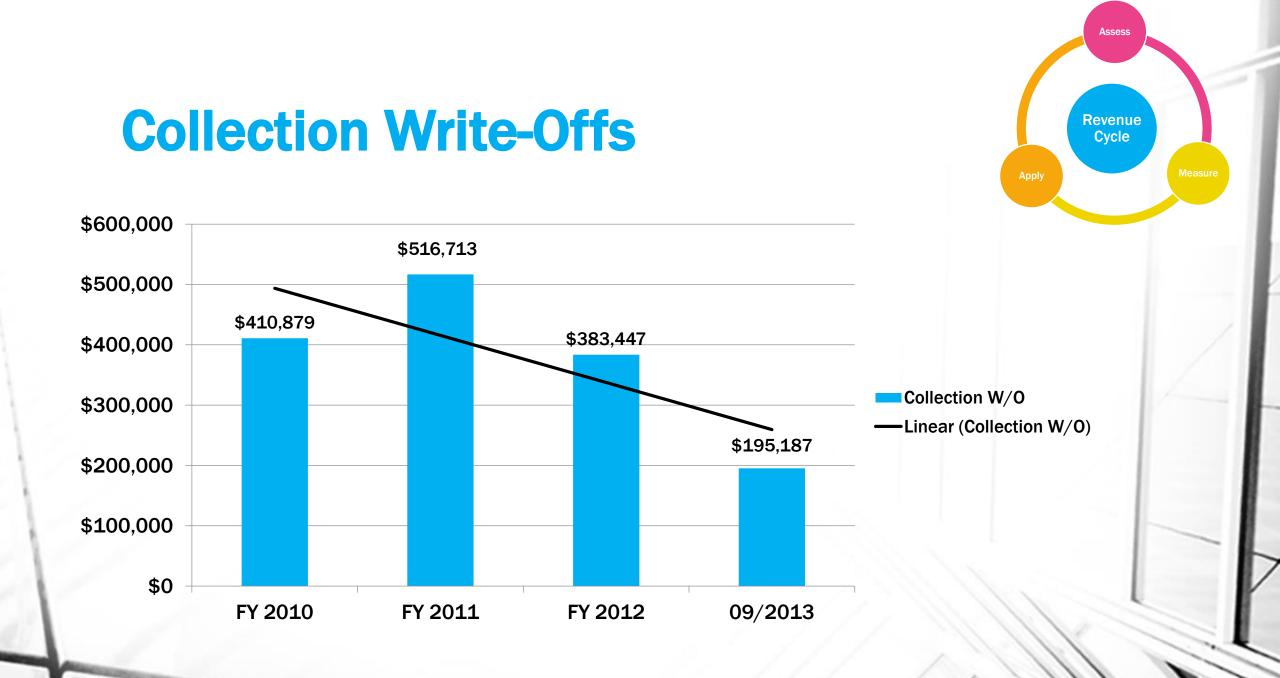
- Moved from the "floor" to the Back Office
- Focus on Coding
- Improve Patient and Staff satisfaction
  - Attentive to patients
  - Improved efficiency by eliminating interruptions to Coding staff

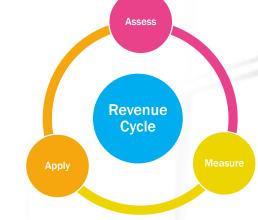




## **Apply Changes - Other**

- Eligibility Verification
  - Call Center nightly process
- Scripting
  - "... Ms.\_\_\_\_ your copay for today's visit is \$30. We accept cash, check, debit or credit card......(pause and make eye contact)......."
- Collection Policy
  - 2 statements by 30 days
  - Letter requesting payment is mailed at 60 days
  - Collection Counselors make phone calls at 75 days
  - Collection letters are sent at 90 days allowing 5 days for payment or agreement
  - Accounts are reviewed and sent to the Collection Agency





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# **Apply – Business Intelligence**

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# **Apply – Recognition**

D.I.M.E Award Driven Individual Modeling Excellence

- Staff nominations
- Supervisory selection

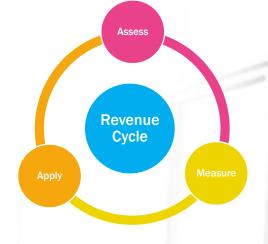
### Newsletter recognition Traveling Trophy

### Congratulations Jessica Garcia

#### **AUGUST DIME Award Recipient**

The DIME award is a staff nominated recognition award for the Finance Department. DIME stands for Driven Individual Modeling Excellence.



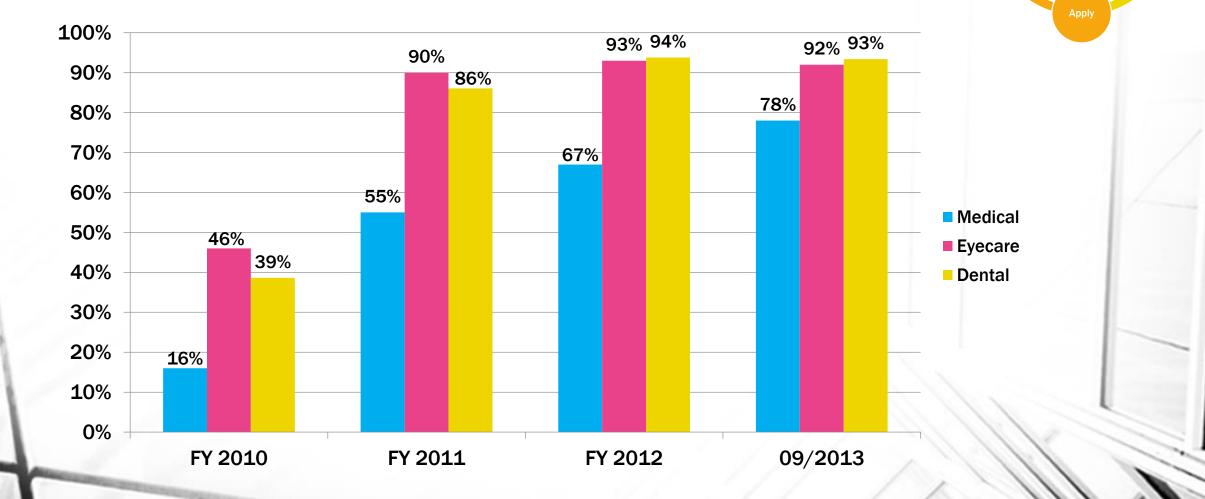




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# **POS Copay Collections**



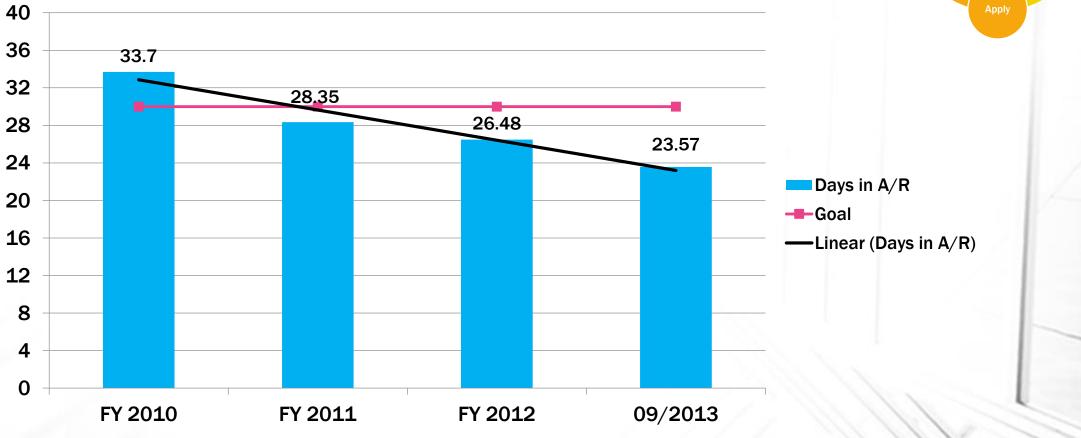
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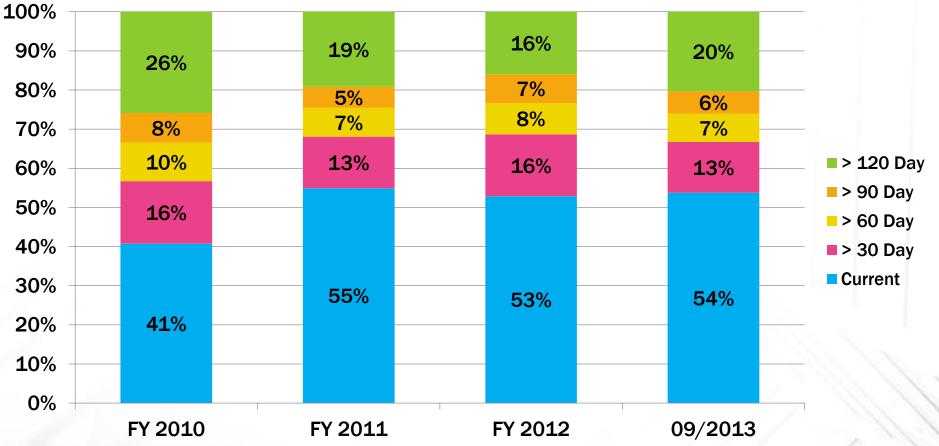
# **Days in A/R**



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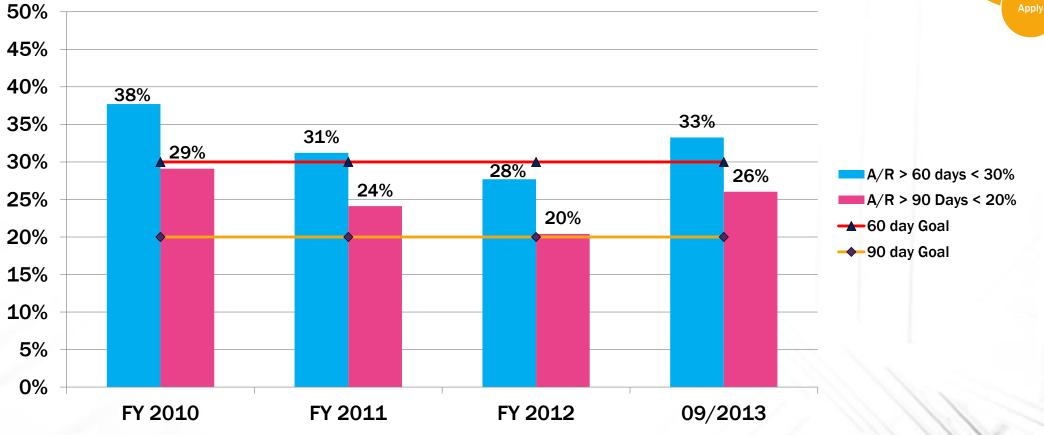


# Aged A/R as % of Total

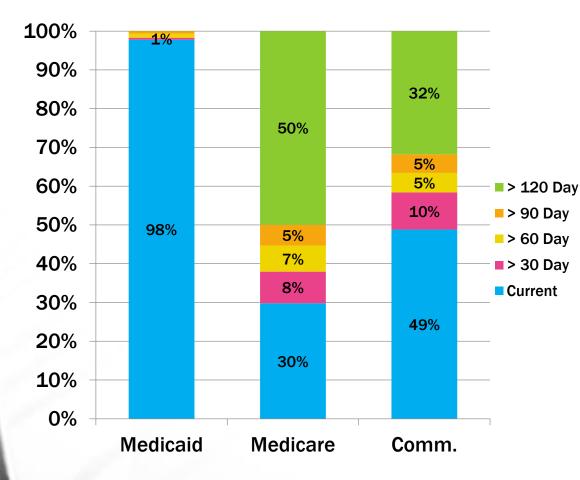




# % A/R >60 & 90 Day Benchmarks



# Aged A/R as % of Total by Payer



Aging Group	Medicaid	Medicare	Comm.
Current	243,747	44,003	119,361
> 30 Day	1,380	12,069	23,423
> 60 Day	2,523	9,908	12,307
> 90 Day	1,723	7,937	11,705
> 120 Day	-23	73,754	77,830

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## **Perform – MAP Improvement Award**



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