FAST TAKES: SUCCESSFUL LOCAL OR REGIONAL REFORM EFFORTS

Bo Gamble, Community Oncology Alliance
Oklahoma To Pursue Outcomes-Based Contracts For Medicaid Rx Pricing

The Ohio Department of Medicaid on Tuesday directed its five managed care plans to terminate contracts with pharmacy benefit managers that use a "spread" pricing model.

Creative solutions on the use and reconciliation of 2nd opinions.

Science companies are producing some effective and practical tools to support the reform in the cancer journey.
Staff “oncologist” made available to guide and support fellow employees that have been diagnosed with cancer.

BCBS of Michigan will stop paying for Xgiva and Prolia at the hospital outpatient facilities.

Comcast “health care costs have stayed nearly flat...(and) lowered its deductible to $250 for most of its workers.”

Michigan Second State To Pursue Outcomes-Based Contracts For Medicaid Rx Pricing
Seema Verma announced a replacement to the current waivers to State Relief and Empowerment Waivers. This is to *Guidance Gives States Tools to Help Fix Broken Health Insurance Markets*.

Goal is to support the five principals for a high performing health care system:
1. Provide increased access to affordable private market coverage
2. Encourage sustainable spending growth
3. Foster state innovation
4. Support and empower those in need
5. Promote consumer-driven healthcare.

We need to remember that expression, *Empowerment Waivers*
Good news – and it is coming more often