Legislative Council Study Committee on Direct Primary Care

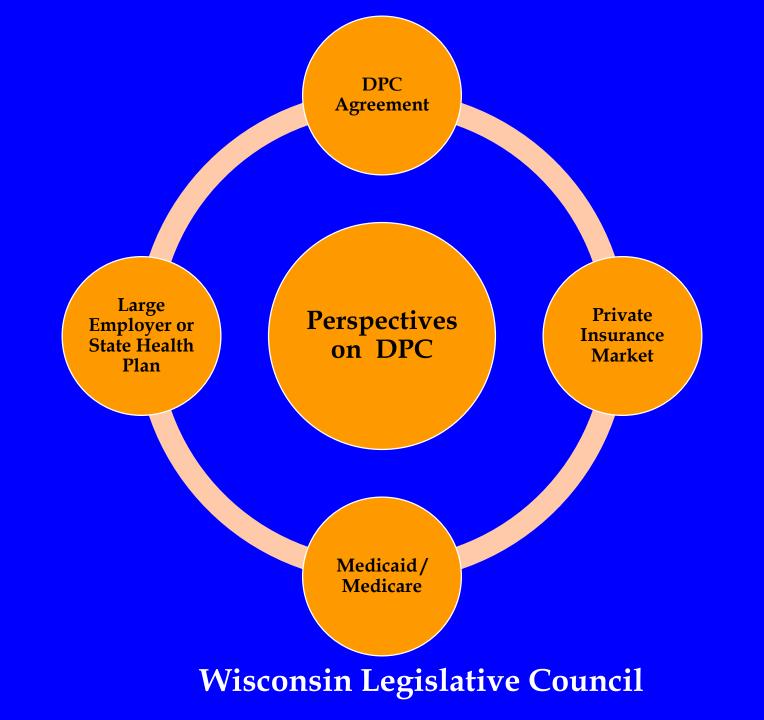
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- 1. Assess the potential impact of DPC on the health care delivery system and health outcomes in the state.
- 2. Recommend legislation regarding requirements for DPC practices in the private market.
- 3. Assess the potential impact of DPC on the functionality, efficiency, and effectiveness of service delivery in the MA program, and health outcomes in the MA program.
- 4. Recommend legislation regarding a DPC pilot in the MA program, including an evaluation of its impact on service delivery and health outcomes.





State DPC Legislation

- 25 states have enacted legislation regarding DPC on the private market
- Fewer state experiences in Medicaid: Washington, Michigan, Missouri
- DPC bills were introduced in Wisconsin this session
 - Currently, DPC is not recognized as health insurance, in part because it does not involve "risk distribution"



Factors Addressed by States for Regulation of DPC on the Private Market

- Definition of primary care
- Who may enter into a DPC agreement?
- "Anti-discrimination" provisions (e.g., health status)
- Required disclosures
- Charges to 3rd parties
- Terminating the Agreement

Combining DPC with Additional Coverage





Considerations

Coverage

- How can DPC be linked with wrap-around insurance to avoid duplication of coverage or underinsurance?
- Care coordination and referrals

Payment

- Amounts paid for DPC fees might not count towards costsharing requirements for insurance plan
- IRS has not generally allowed use of Health Savings Accounts to pay DPC fees

"Direct Primary Care Medical Home Plans" under the ACA

- Can be offered as a qualified health plan on the exchange (Premium tax credits and cost-sharing subsidies are available)
- Must satisfy all applicable ACA requirements
- HHS directs states to look to Washington's model:
 - Consumer purchases 1 plan, which includes a DPC practice and wrap-around insurance
 - Insurer is responsible to "promote a seamless consumer experience"
 - Insurer must apply for certification to offer the plan on the exchange (DPC provider does not have to)

*None currently offered in Wisconsin

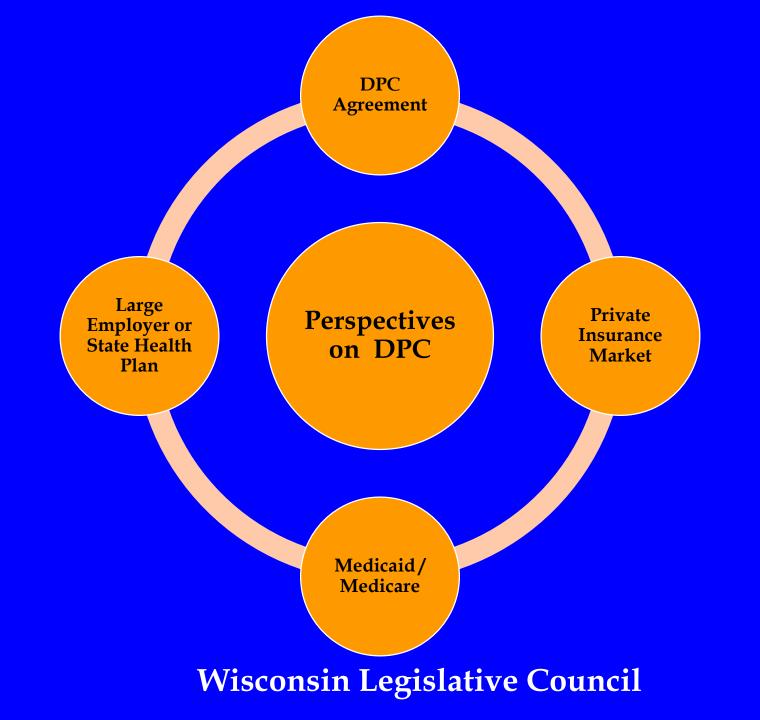


State DPC Pilots

- Michigan
- West Virginia
- Washington
- Nebraska
- New Jersey

Medicaid Service Delivery Models

- Fee for Service
- Managed Care
- Health Home



Questions?