



# **WI HMO Collaborative & the Primary Health Care Collaboration**

**2005 HDSP Practitioners  
Institute**

**September 22, 2005**



# Health Plan Collaborative History

- 1994 – Diabetes Prevention and Control Program received a CDC grant
- Improve diabetes care statewide
- Public health approach
- Focus on health systems



# DCP Priorities

- Build a long term relationship with health plans
- Foster statewide approaches to improve diabetes care
- Establish active partnerships
- Share strategies and best practices



# Initial Process

- **Involve health plans early**
  - Medical directors & quality managers
- **Process for ongoing communication**
  - to share research & resources
  - to identify areas for collaboration



# Collaborative Projects 2000

- **Diabetes Guidelines**
- **Collaborative Diabetes Quality Improvement Project**
  - **HEDIS<sup>®</sup> Diabetes measures - now Year 3**
  - **Expansion to cardiovascular measures – started with 2000 Measures**
- **Sharing forums**



# **Collaborative Projects 2002 - 2004**

- **Cardiovascular HEDIS® Measures - continued**
- **Health Plans Approached for a joint “Lipid Project”**
- **Health Plans Agreed and a Work Group Formed**
- **May 2004 Released the Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Initiative – Guidelines for Heart Disease and Stroke.**



# Collaboration 2005 - 2006

- **Cardiovascular HEDIS® Measures – cont. Now have four year's worth of data**
- **Partnered on WI Plan for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention**

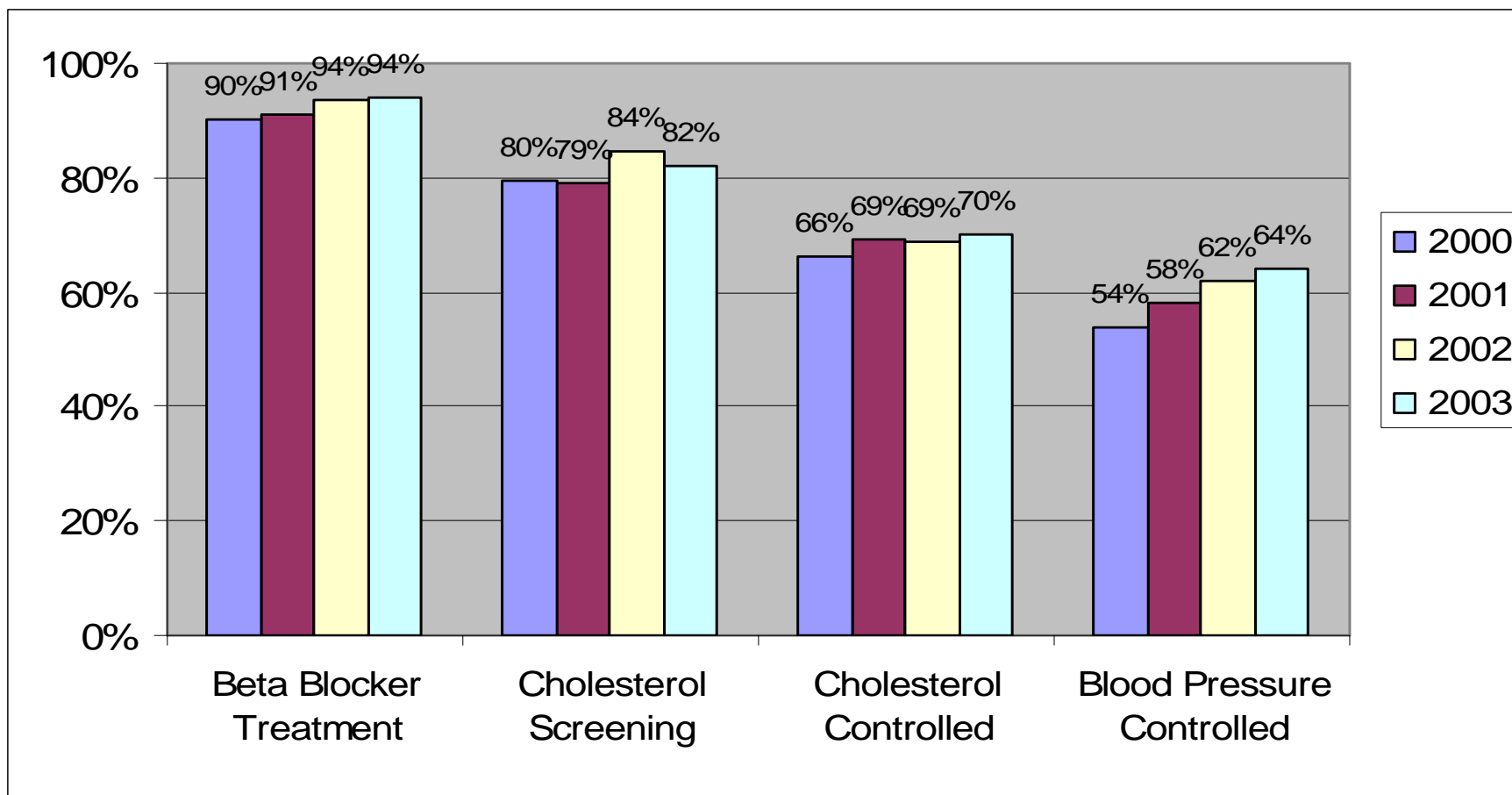


# **CVD HEDIS® Measures from 15 Health Plans**

- **Beta Blocker Treatment after an event**
- **Cholesterol Screening after an event**
- **Cholesterol Controlled < 130**
- **Blood Pressure Controlled**



# CVD HEDIS® Measures from 15 Health Plans





# Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association

- **Diabetes Collaborative Quality Improvement Project with Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers (FQHCs) – initiated in 1998**
- **CVHP joined the Collaborative in 2002**
- **CVHP has provided support since 2003**



# Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association

- **Four Clinics in National Collaborative**
- **20 of 21 WI FQHCs will be in a National Collaborative by 2006**
- **There are currently 7 clinics not in a National Collaborative**
- **6 of these clinics are participating in a Pilot Project and will grandfathered into a Collaborative, either CVD, DM or Mental Health**



# Wisconsin Care Primary Health Association

- **Those Clinics participating in the DM collaborative are being assisted to participate in the CVD collaborative by Dec 2005**
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- **WI have a new clinic in 2005. This clinic will start the process towards joining a collaborative.**



# **Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association**

- **The Collaborative Provides monthly teleconferences on FQHC requested topics**
- **Twice yearly one day conferences**
- **Small support for clinic specific projects, materials**
- **List serve for all members**



# What Has Worked?

- **Appeal of statewide approach**
- **Mutual interest in quality**
- **Flexibility & acknowledgement of limitations**
- **Consensus design**
- **Proactive approach**
- **Resources & communication**



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