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# Role of Actuaries in The KSA Public Health Sector

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# Introduction

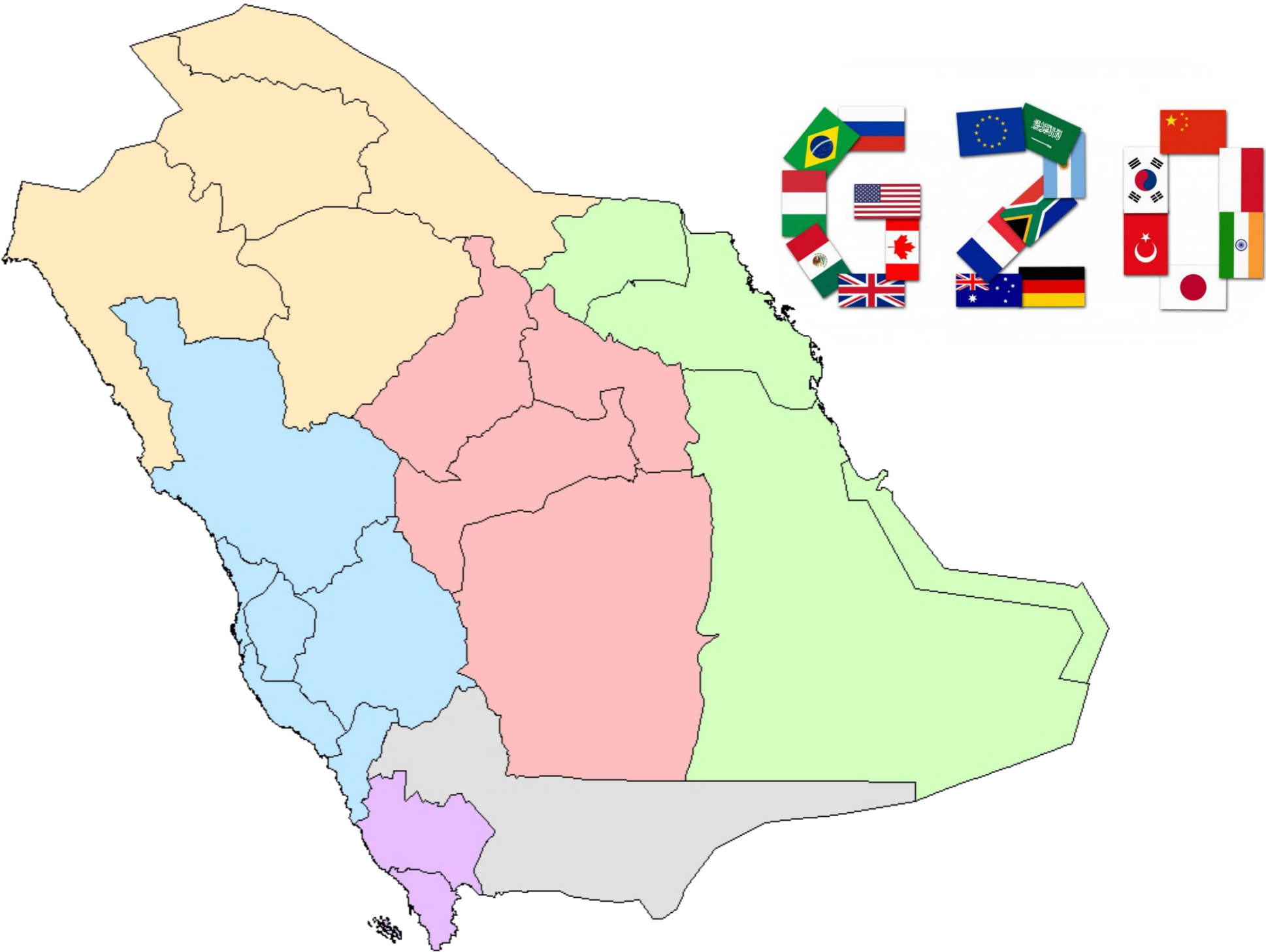


# Saudi Arabia

## Part of G20 countries

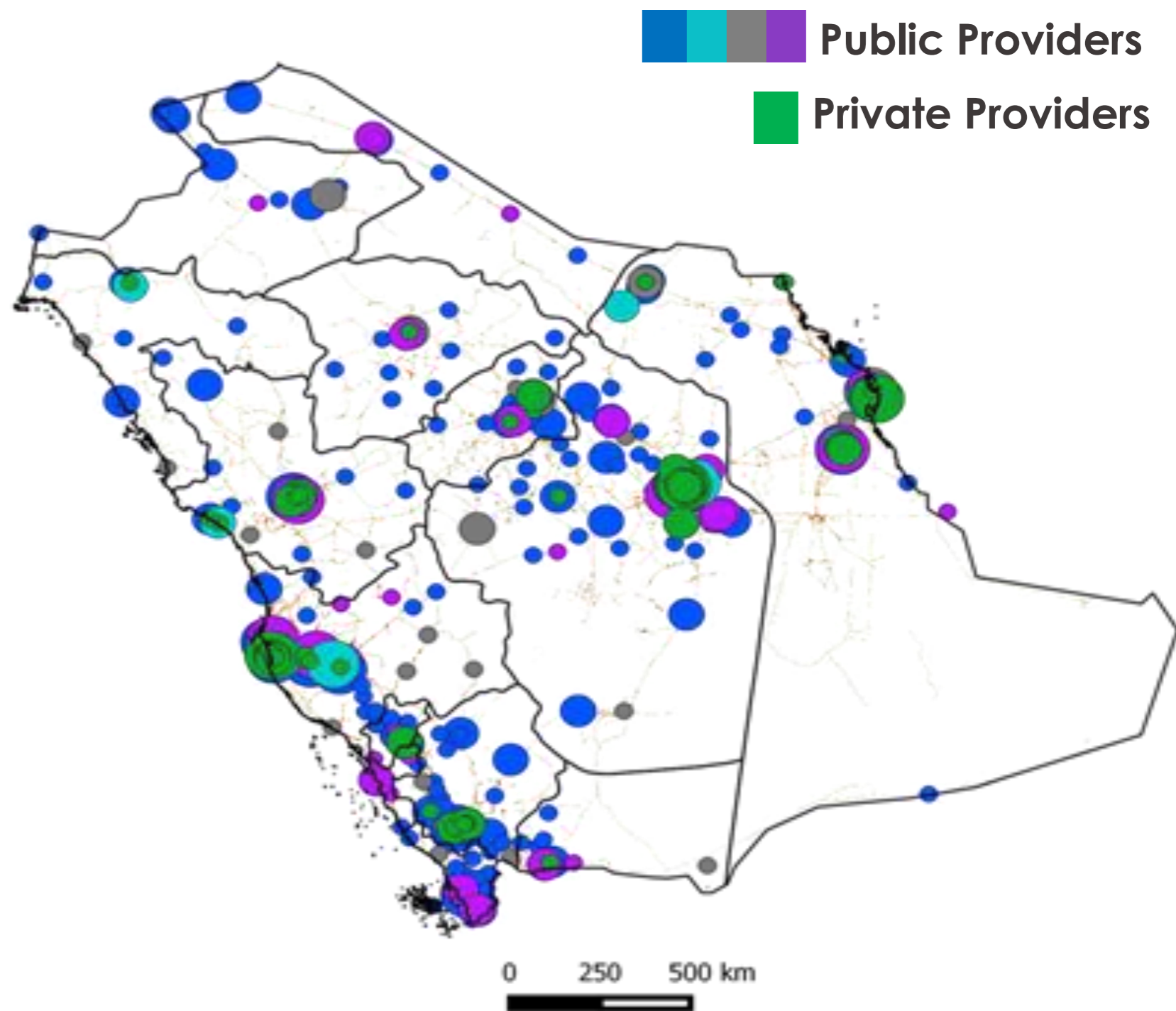
Location	Arabian Peninsula
Land Area	2,150,000 km <sup>2</sup>
Population	~32.2 million
GDP	\$1.068 trillion
GDP per capita	\$ 33,168
THE	\$ 68.4 billion
GHE	\$50.4 billion

GDP – Gross Domestic Product  
THE – Total Health Expenditure  
GHE – Government Health Expenditure  
2023 Figures for population, GDP, THE, GHE  
All Amounts in US Dollars



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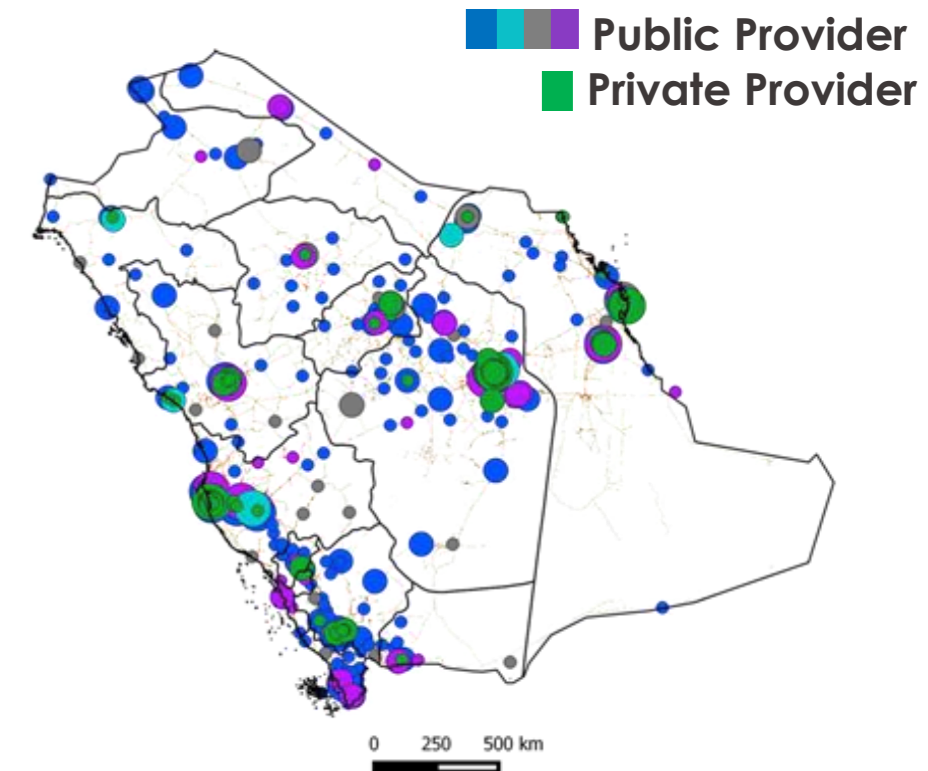
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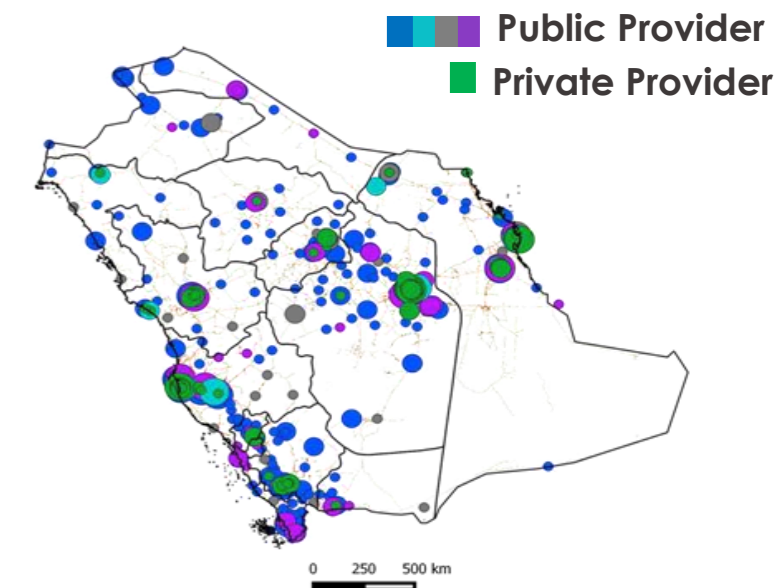
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Beneficiaries	~22 mn	~11 mn
Market size	\$50.4 <sup>1</sup> bn	\$10 <sup>2</sup> bn
Per capita	\$2,300	\$1,100

1. General Government Health Expenditure for CY 2023 from 2022/2023 National Health Accounts. In US Dollars.  
2. 2023 Gross Written Premium for Health Insurance: The Saudi Insurance Market Report 2023. In US Dollars.  
3. All Amounts in US Dollars



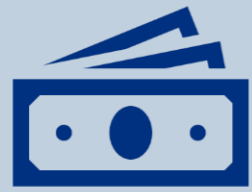
# Saudi Healthcare Transformation



# Key Challenges in the public health sector



Non-exhaustive



6–8%

Escalating  
Healthcare  
Costs<sup>1</sup>

Annual spending growth, straining  
budgets.



\$32.4  
bn

Chronic Disease  
Burden<sup>1</sup>

Cost of managing priority NCDs to  
increase by 40% from 2023 - 2030



x2

Ageing  
population

Saudis over 60 years projected to  
grow from 3% in 2023 to 6%<sup>3</sup> in 2030

Financial

Population

# Transformation objectives



- Improve population health
- Ensure long term financial sustainability



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The value  
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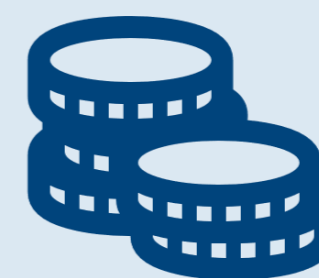
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# Dual reform strategy to achieve “value”



## Restructure system

Separation of healthcare tasks with separate entities established for provision, payment and governance

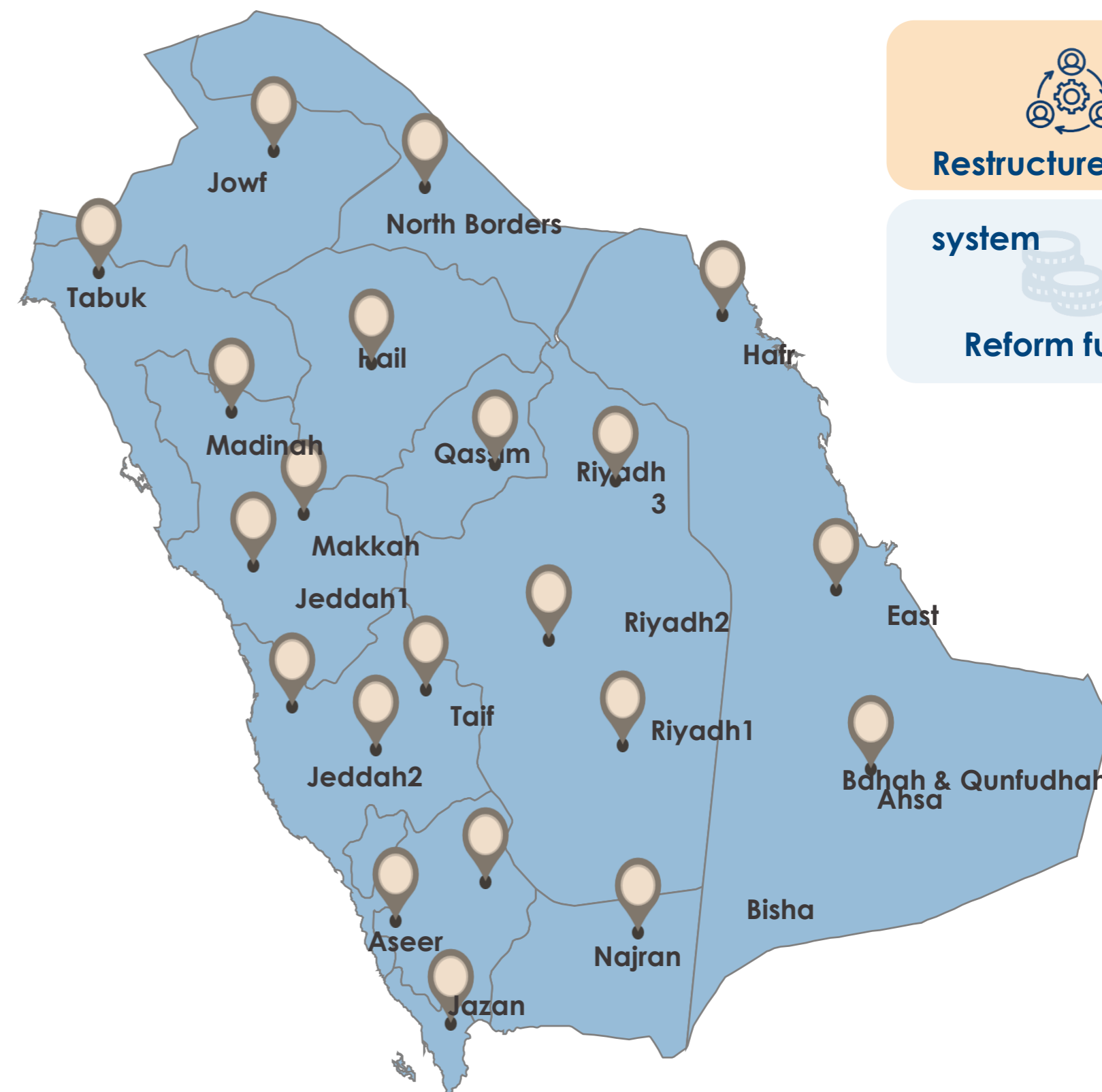
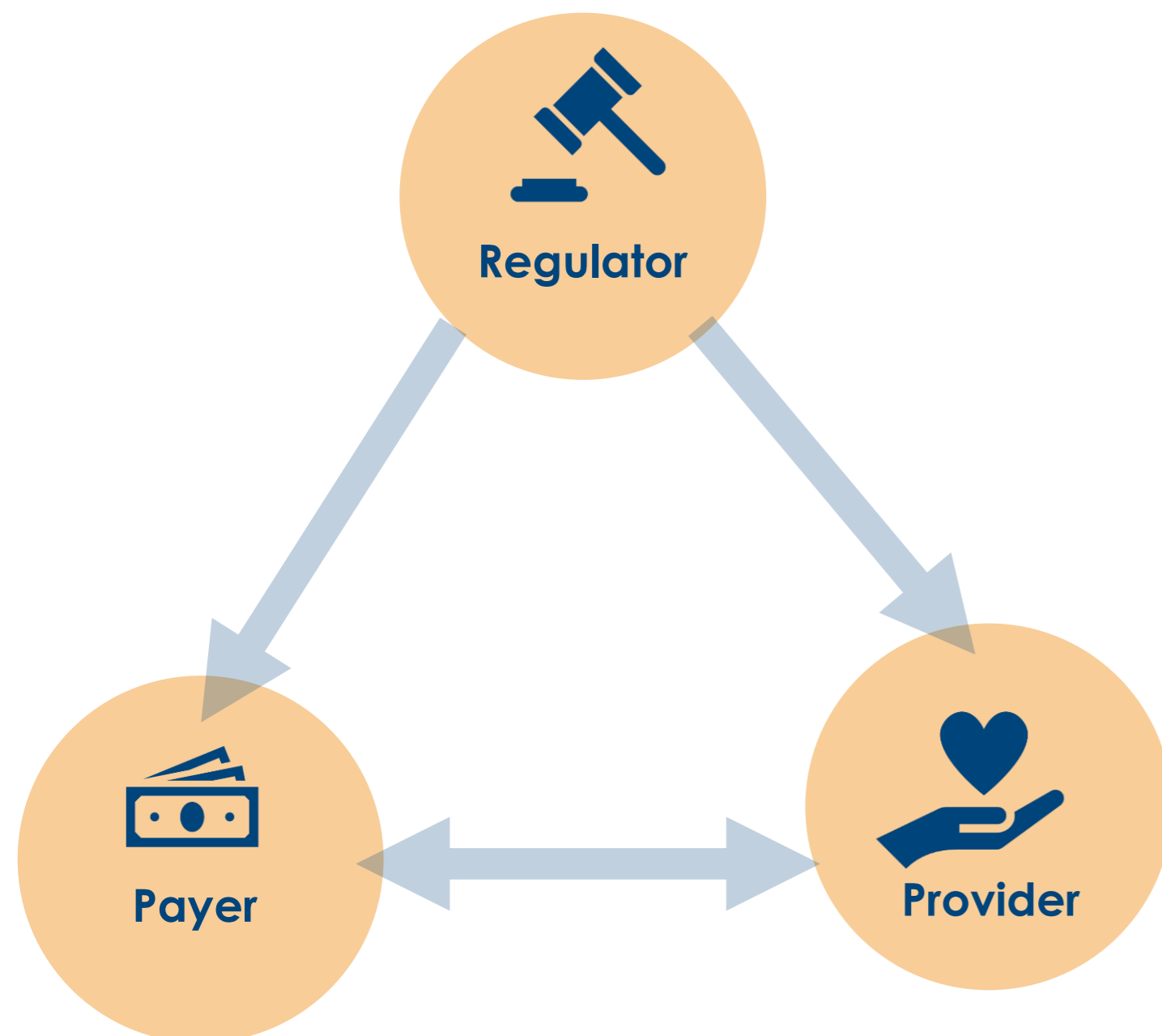


## Reform funding

Shift from historical budgeting to strategic purchasing based on beneficiary risk and incentives for population health improvements

# How?

# Separation of healthcare tasks



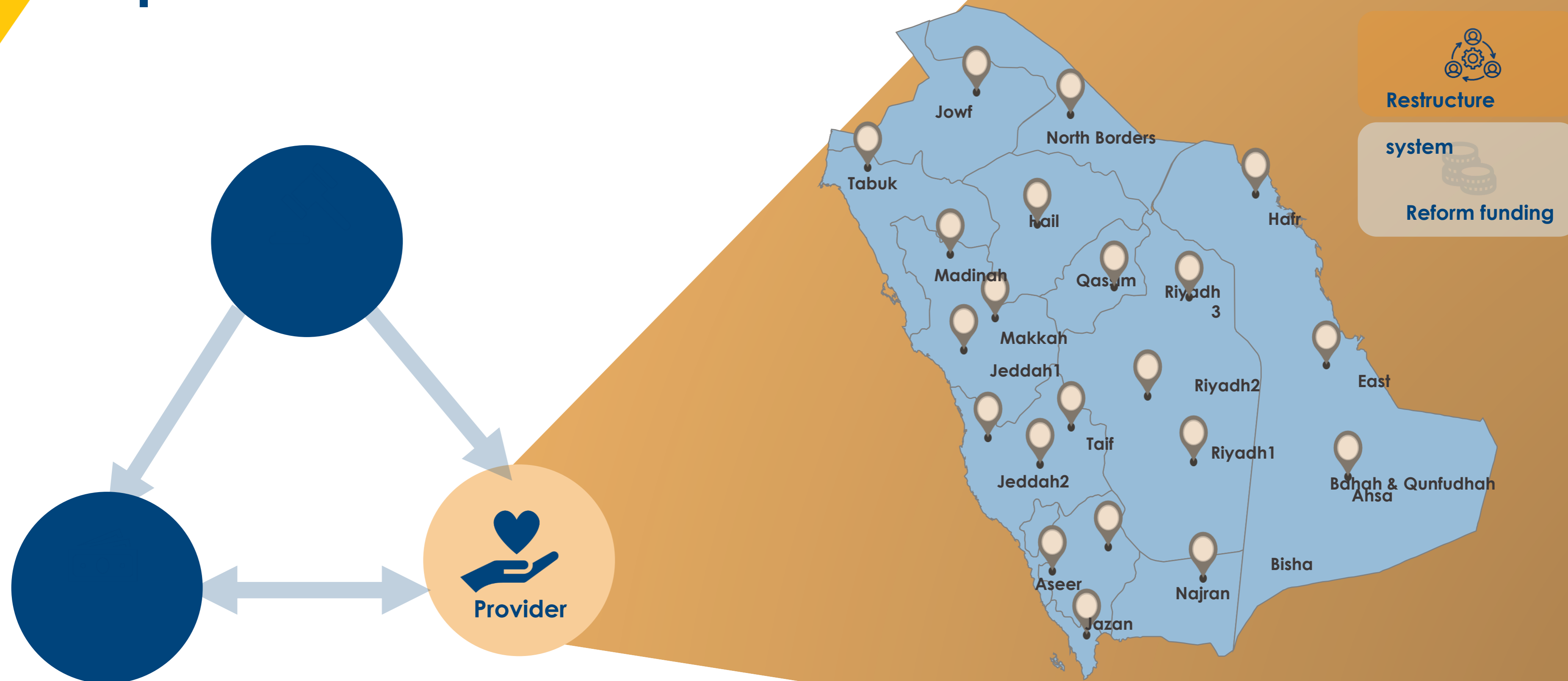
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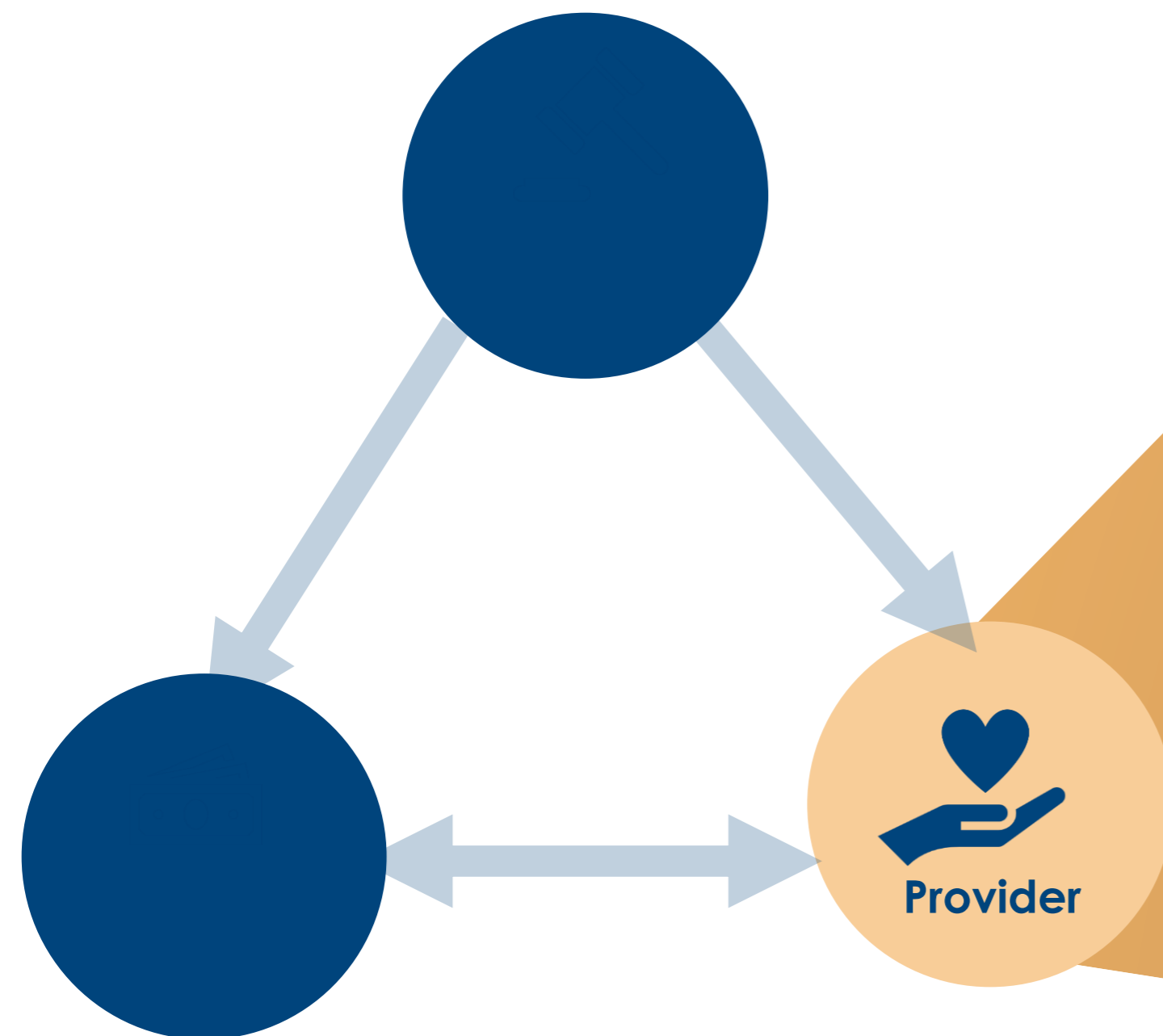


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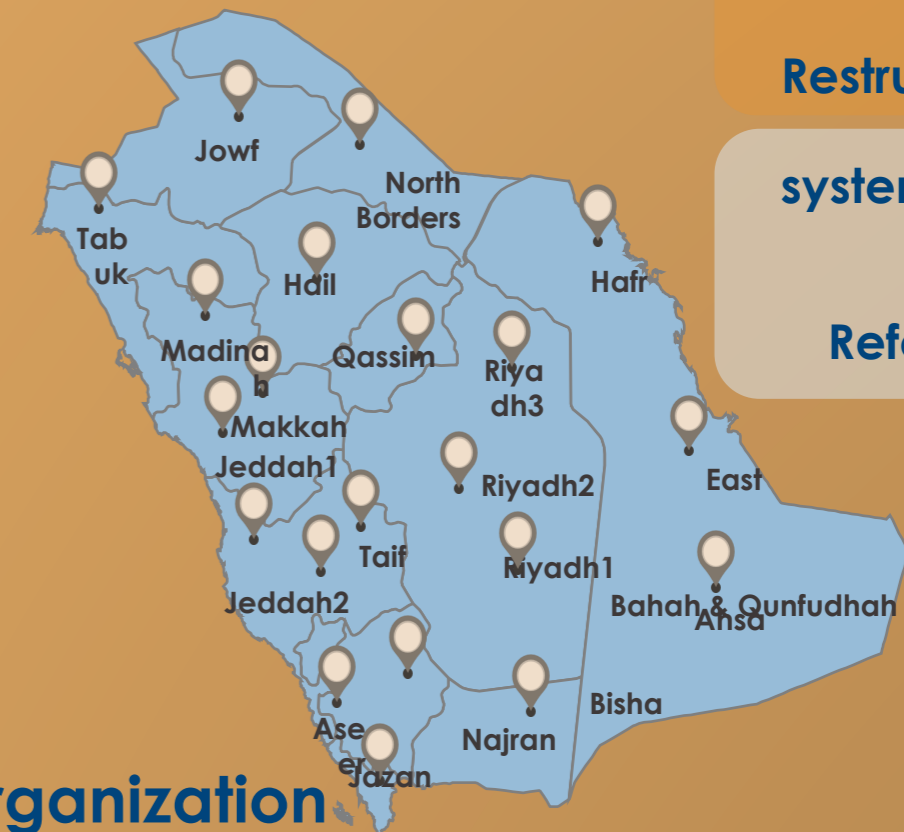
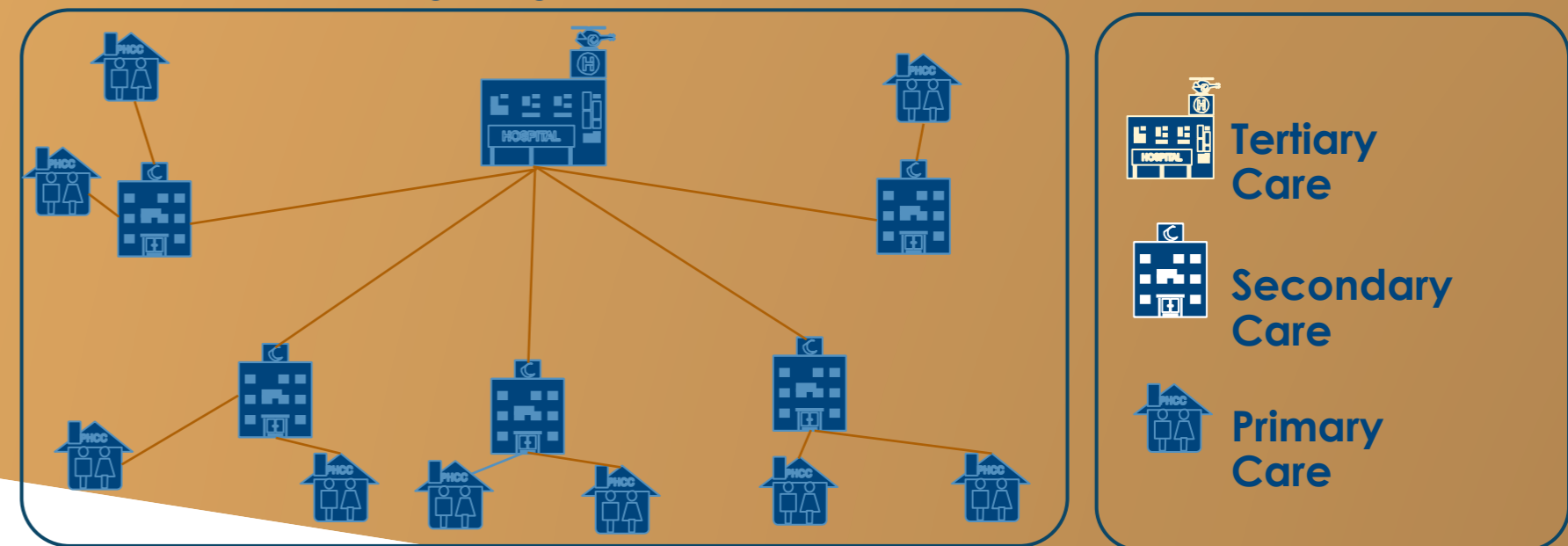
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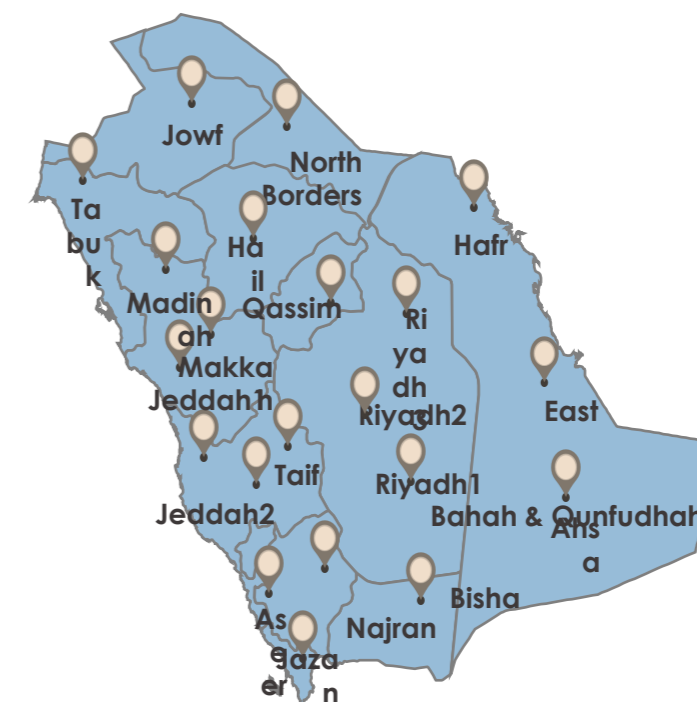
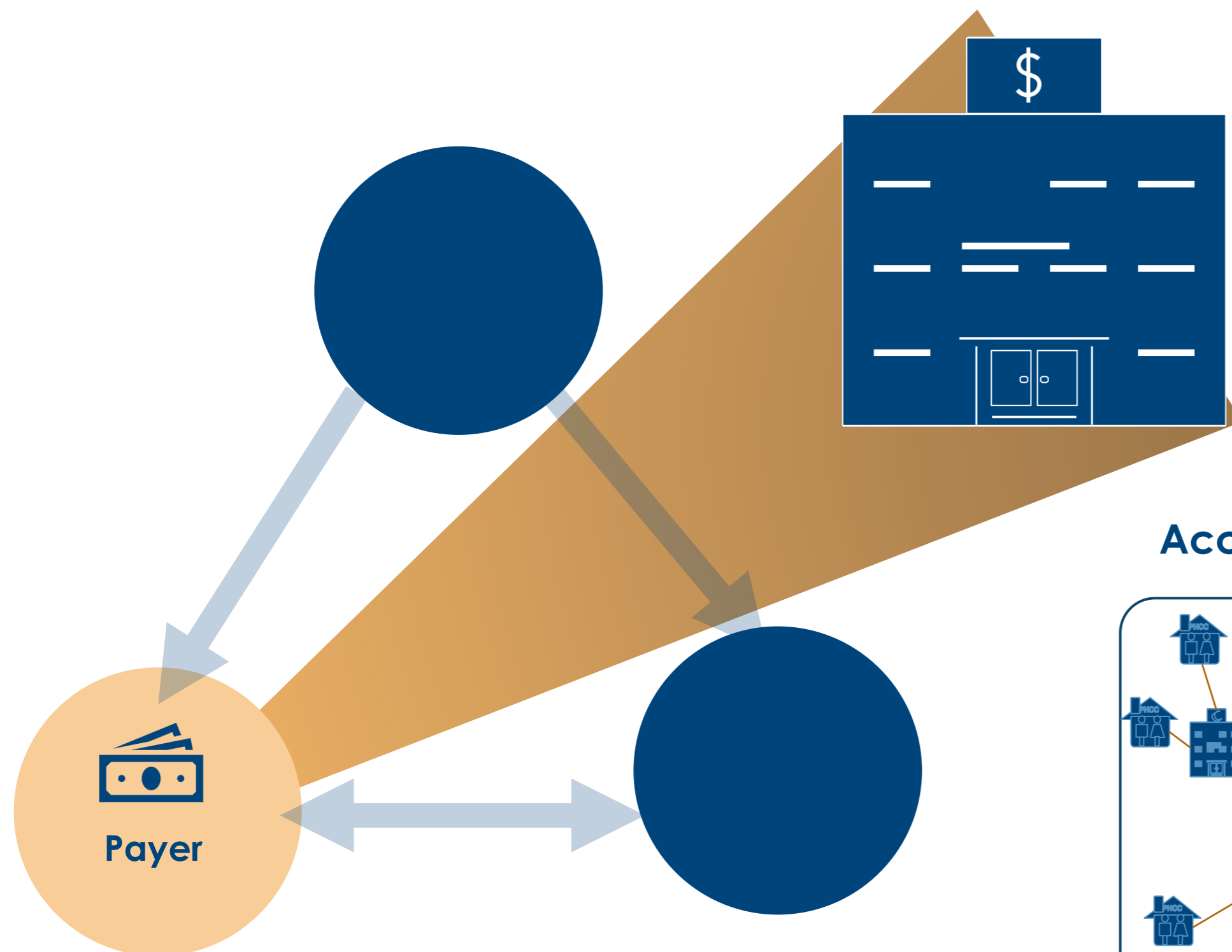


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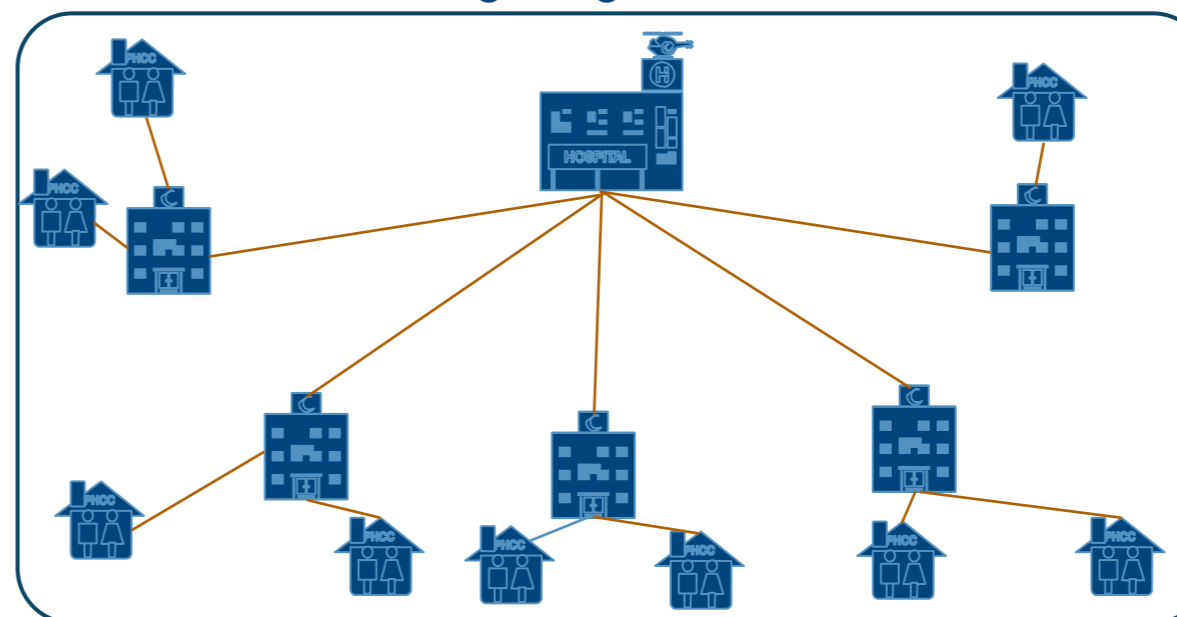
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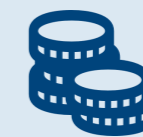


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## From



## To



### Budgeting

- No linkage between healthcare supply, need and population health



### Incentives

- No incentive to control costs or improve population health



### Accountability

- No defined benefit package
- Limited visibility on cost, quality or outcomes
- Limited ability to innovate
- Lack of financial bailouts governance

- **Budgets linked to needs, demands and target outcomes of the Accountable Care Organizations**


- **Financial incentive** for achieving performance targets

- **Guaranteed access** to defined benefits package
- **Data-driven** health system performance
- **Outcomes-based budgeting** promoting ACO autonomy
- **Clear consequence management** through financial failure regime

# Move away from reimbursing individual providers for inputs



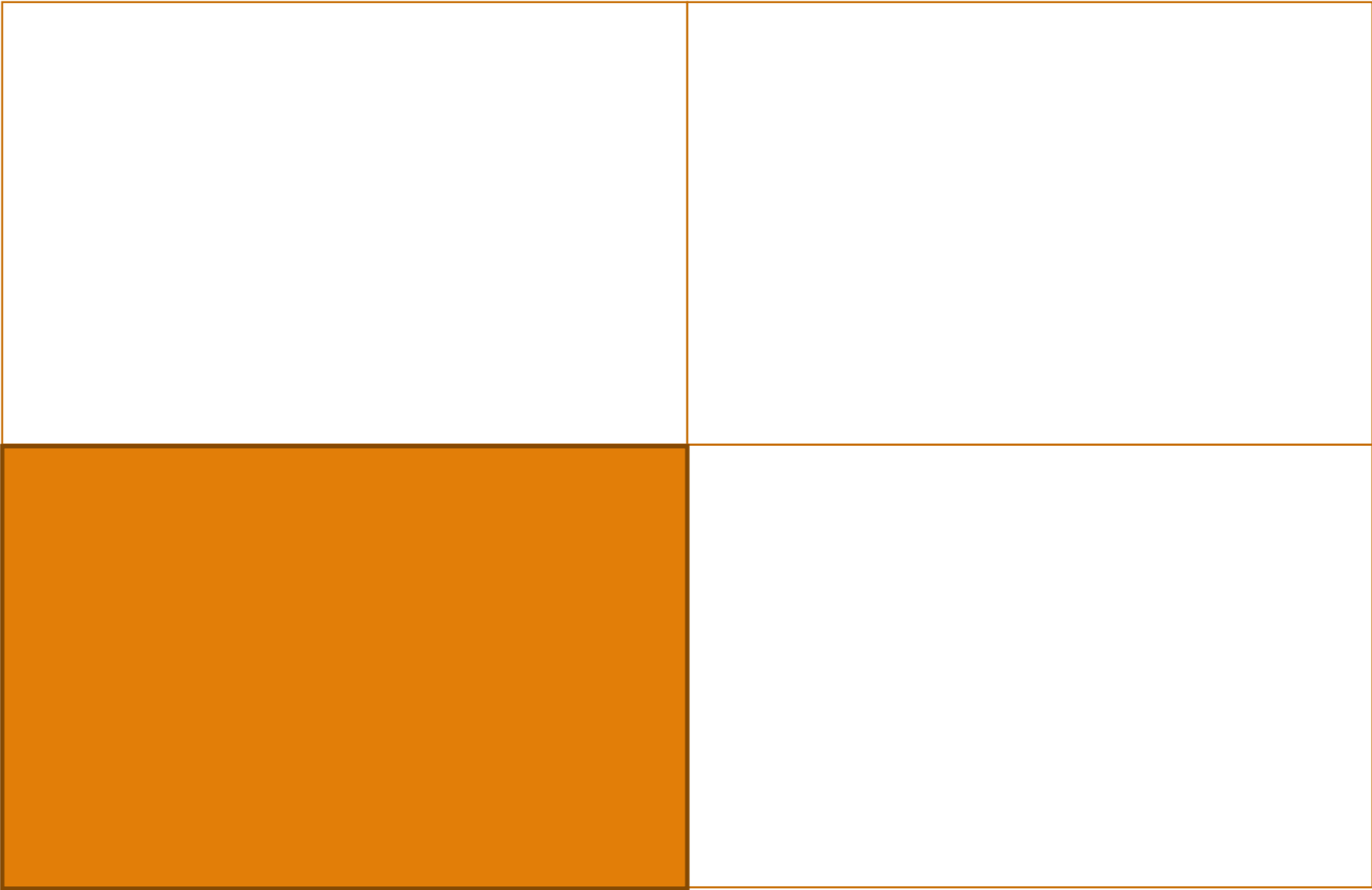
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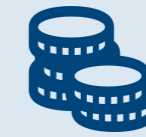
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Inputs

Outcomes

# ...to paying networks of providers for outcomes



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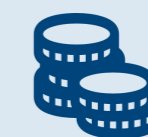
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Risk Adjusted  
Capitation

Inputs

Outcomes

# Risk-adjusted capitation budget based on two sets of calculations



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Outcomes

Cost

1



**Population characteristics and local context, including:**

- Number of beneficiaries
- Age, gender, and health risk status
- Socio-economic status
- Market and geographic factors

2



**Efficient total cost of care for delivering the health benefits package and model of care:**

- Total utilization
- Distribution of activity by care setting
- Unit costs

# Outcome domains



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Clinical domains:

- 1 Access
- 2 Care Quality
- 3 Patient Safety
- 4 User experience
- 5 Equity
- 6 Effectiveness

Financial domains:

- 7 Financial sustainability
- 8 Efficiency

**This new payment mechanism makes  
ACOs  
“bearers of financial risk”**



**A financial regime is**  
required to manage ACOs  
as they become the  
**“bearers of financial risk”**

## Objectives of the regime are to:

- 1 Maintain continued provision of services set out in the HBP
- 2 Ensure financial sustainability
- 3 Disincentivize organizations from seeing the regime as an additional funding source

# Financial regime

Three lines of defense

## Business as usual

### Financial management

- Defined amount of reserves
- Ongoing surveillance of financial position

## 1<sup>st</sup> line

### ACO reserves

If an ACO loses money, it would be expected to fund initial losses from reserves

## 2<sup>nd</sup> line

### Re-insurance

CNHI supports ACOs once losses exceed a certain amount

## 3<sup>rd</sup> line

### MoF bridge financing

If ACO reserves and CNHI reinsurance are no longer sufficient to continue operations, then MoF support is required while underlying challenges are addressed

# From Design to Implementation



# Actuarial models under development

Our focus today



## Pricing

### Individual Risk Assessment Tool

Risk scoring tool for budget allocation and population health management

### Risk Adjusted Capitation Model

Model for ACO budget allocation based on risk adjustments indexed to the Health Benefit Package



## Reserving

### Incurred but not paid

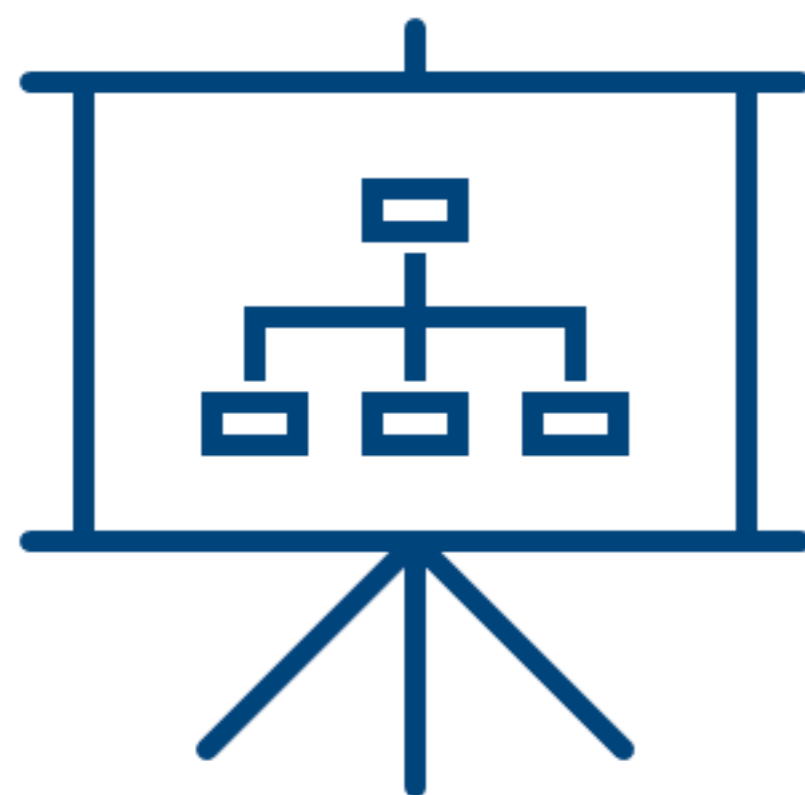
Model for estimating IBNR and outstanding claims.

### Reinsurance modelling

Model to assess reinsurance reserves considering national payer's risk appetite and risk profile of the ACOs

# Individual Risk Assessment Tool

## Key features



Predictive model that assigns a **risk score** for **each member**.

Risk score is the **expected relative resource use** based on **member characteristics** and **health status**

This risk score is “**prospective**” (forward looking) – what is expected to happen in future.

Uses **member characteristics** and **encounter data** as an input to arrive at individual risk scores

Each member characteristic is given a **numerical weight**. The **risk score** for a given individual is a **sum of all the weights**.

Used as an **input** to **ACO budgeting model** (RAC estimation) and measuring provider performance

Assigns health segment and risk strata to each member to assist with population health analytics.

# Individual Risk Assessment Tool

Model inputs



## Member Demographics



- Age
- Gender
- ACO
- Occupation/Profession

## HBP eligibility



- Level of coverage
- Other forms of coverage (e.g. *Private Health Insurance*)

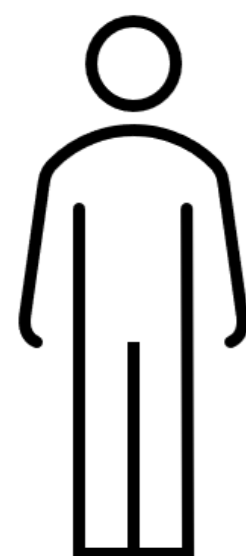
## Encounter Data



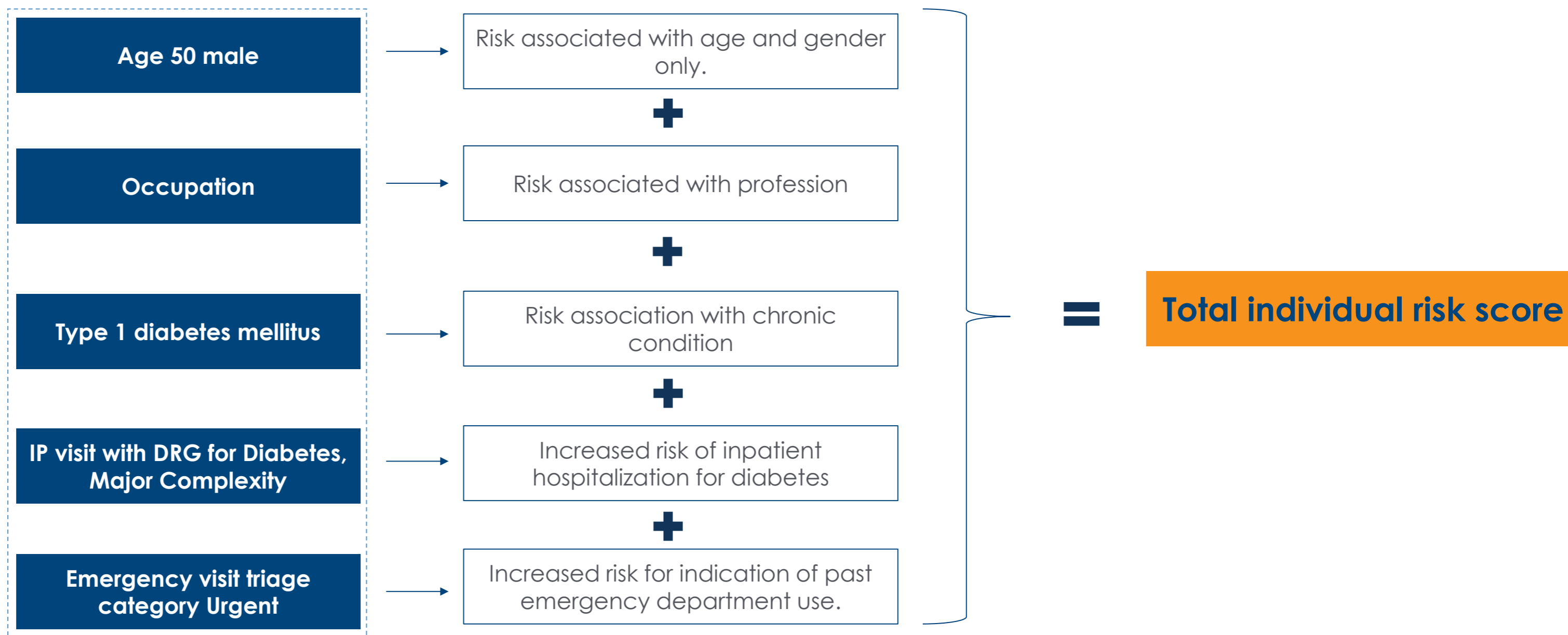
- Diagnoses
- DRGs
- Length of stay
- Triage category
- Mental health phase

# Individual Risk Assessment Tool

Illustration of the output



## Individual risk characteristics

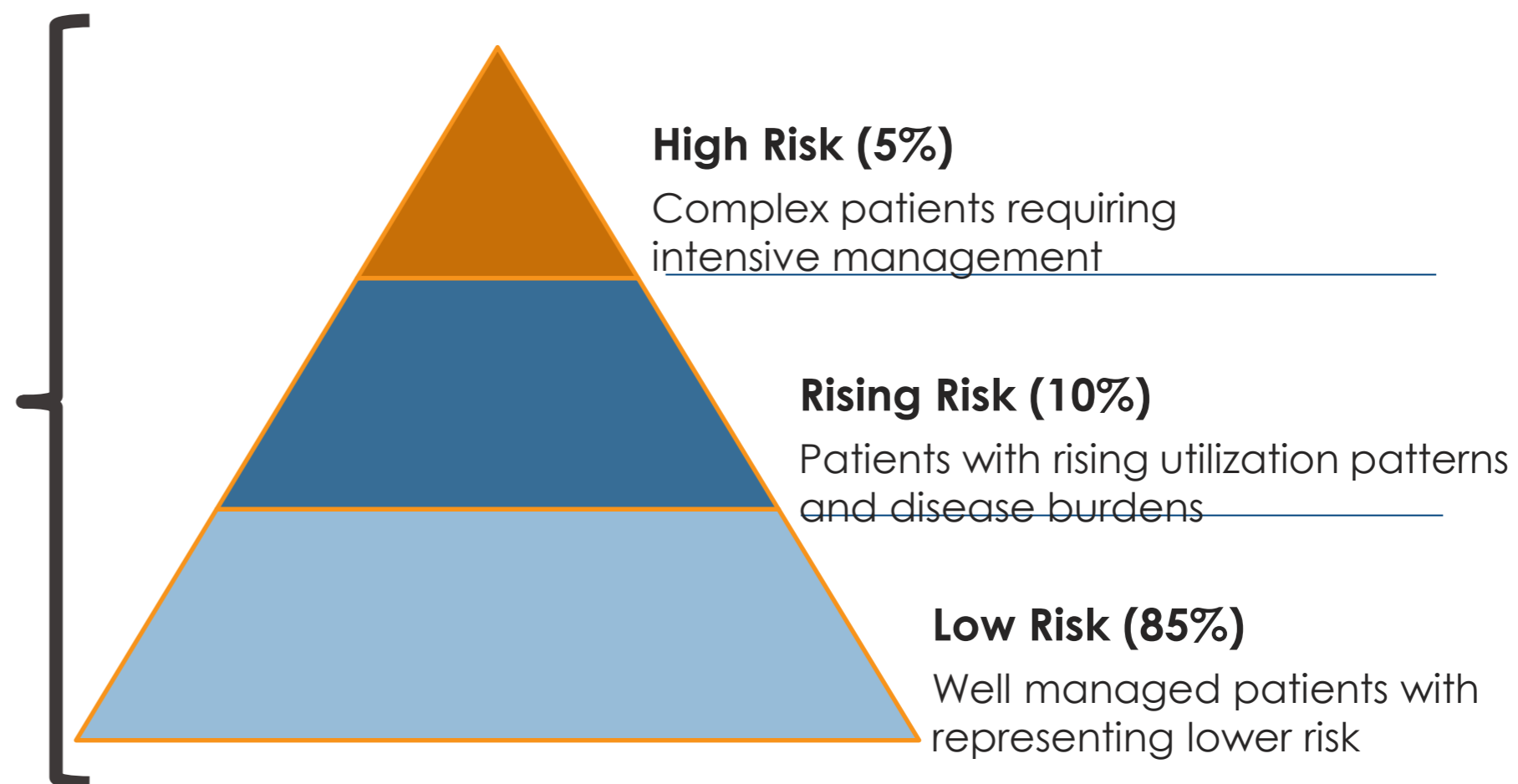


# Individual Risk Assessment Tool

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## Member segmentation

- Healthy
- Chronic Conditions
- Neoplasms
- Disability
- Acutely Ill
- Mental Health Disorders
- Rare severe congenital conditions
- Terminal Phase



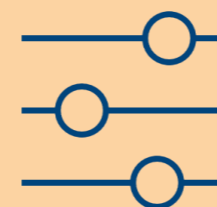
# Risk Adjusted Capitation Model

Model framework



## Inputs

- Health Benefit Package
- Beneficiary projections
- Baseline cost model: National baseline utilization per 1,000 members and efficient unit cost by benefit category



## Key Adjustments

- ACO risk score
- Demographic mix changes
- Market forces factor
- Smallness & remoteness adjustment
- Benefit change adjustments
- Trends



## Output

- Projection of utilization, average costs and per capita by HBP benefit categories for the projection period
- Key cost drivers
- Scenario and sensitivity analysis

# Where are we today



**Estimated member level risk score** for the **3** most advanced clusters



**Estimated risk adjusted capitated budget** for these clusters



**Meeting Ministry of Finance** next month to walk them through budget estimates based on new **payment mechanism**



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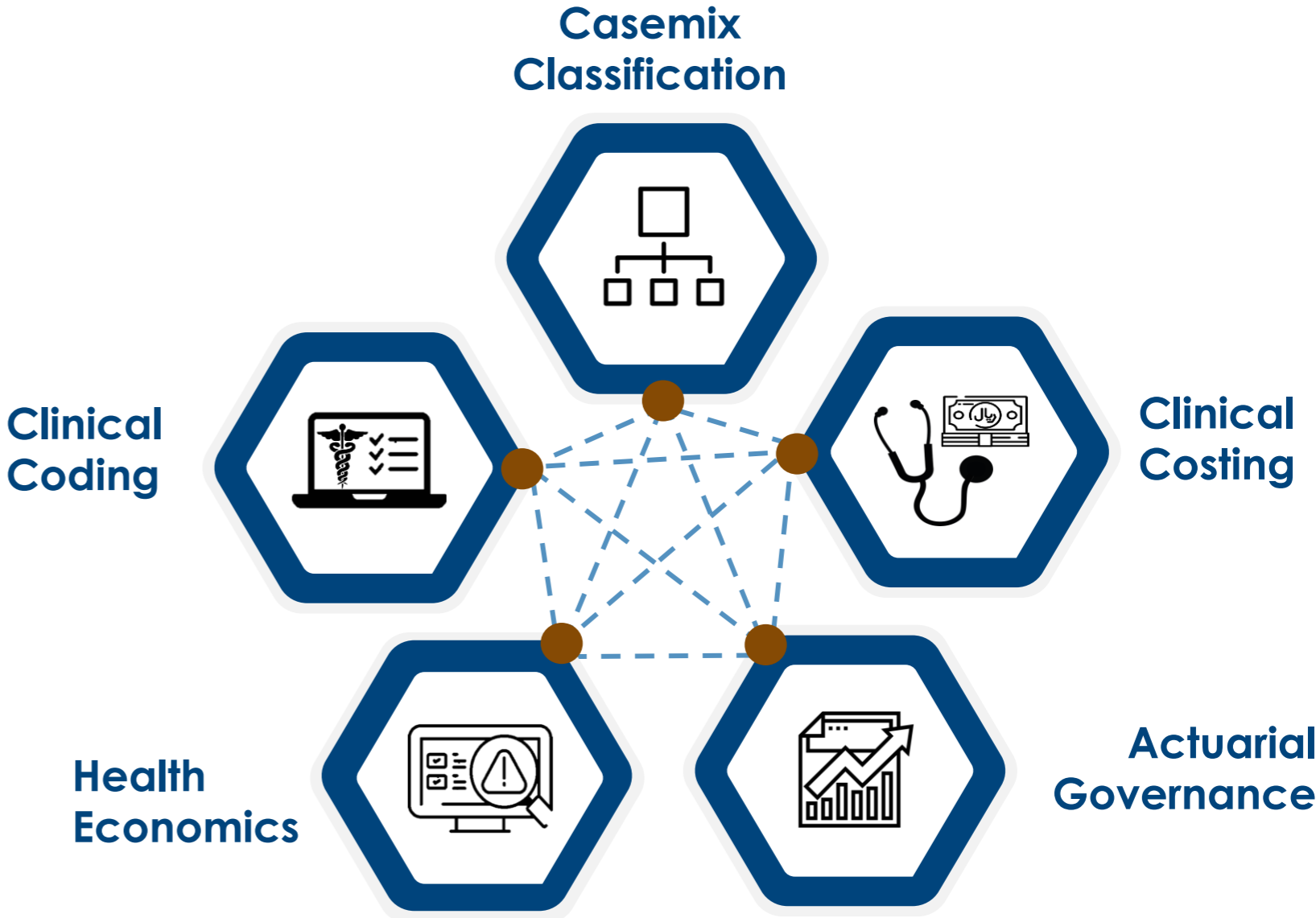
## Mission

Optimise **efficiencies in healthcare systems** by ensuring standard language and currencies, by **governing clinical coding, patient classification, clinical costing and healthcare funding.**



## Vision

Become the **single trusted point of reference for the health funding process and efficiencies**



## Our Value Matrix (Functions)

# Actuarial Governance

Key products

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## Actuarial Governance Framework

Embed actuarial skillset within the public health sector

## Provider Payment Strategy

Strategy and design for the new payment mechanism

## Budgeting Standards

Guidelines and standards for the development of budgeting models

## Financial Regime

Governance for ensuring financial sustainability of the public healthcare system

## Efficient Price Framework

Standards for developing price reflecting efficient healthcare delivery

## Efficient Pricelist

Pricelist reflecting efficient care delivery to form the basis of new payment mechanism



# Questions?



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