

## Well Being 217

### health\_intro intro

We are now going to ask you several questions that will help us understand your current health.

#### H1 Self-rated health

In general, would you say your health is...

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor

#### H2 Health conditions ever had

Have you EVER been told by a doctor or other health professional that you had... Please check ALL that apply, or if none apply, click NEXT.

- 1 Hypotension, also called high blood pressure
- 2 Coronary heart disease
- 3 Angina, also called angina pectoris
- 4 A heart attack (also called myocardial infarction)
- 5 Any kind of heart condition or heart disease (other than the ones we just asked about)
- 6 A stroke
- 7 Emphysema
- 8 Asthma
- 9 Ulcer (this could be a stomach, duodenal or peptic ulcer)
- 10 Cancer or a malignancy of any kind
- 11 Diabetes or sugar diabetes
- 12 Depression or anxiety

#### H3 Family history

The next question is about your family medical history. This would include the diseases and health problems of your grandparents, parents and their siblings, and your brothers and sisters. To your knowledge, have any of these family members had... Please check ALL that apply, or if none apply, click NEXT.

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### valuation\_intro intro

The objective of the next part of the survey is to learn about how people feel about coverage of “specialty drugs” by health insurance plans. For this purpose, we’d like you to imagine the situation of a person who does not currently use specialty drugs, but who may need them in the future. We realize that this situation may not apply specifically to you; this is a hypothetical scenario for the purposes of this survey.

### valuation\_intro\_2 intro specialty drugs

“Specialty drugs” are high-cost drugs that are often used to treat serious health conditions such as

cancer, anemia, growth hormone deficiency, rheumatoid arthritis, and multiple sclerosis. Specialty drugs can be highly effective, including some situations where other treatment options are limited.

### **valuation\_intro\_3** intro example

For example, chronic myelogenous leukemia is a cancer that prevents the body from producing enough healthy blood cells. In 2001, the specialty drug imatinib became available for treating this cancer.

EIGHT OUT OF TEN patients using this drug LIVE for EIGHT YEARS OR LONGER, compared to only FOUR OUT OF TEN patients who used earlier therapies.

### **valuation\_intro\_4** intro MS

Multiple sclerosis is a disorder of the central nervous system that causes fatigue and reduced mobility, bowel / bladder problems, problems with vision and cognition, pain, loss of sensation, and depression. Most people with this disorder have periods of relatively good health alternating with “flare ups” of worsening symptoms. Specialty drugs such as interferon beta-1a have been shown to significantly reduce flare ups, and to help limit disability due to the disorder. Earlier drugs treated the symptoms of flare ups, but did not prevent new ones from happening.

### **V1** different coverage of specialty drugs

Now, please consider a person who does not currently use specialty drugs, but who may need them in the future. There are two hypothetical health insurance plans, Plan 1 and Plan 2. The plans have the SAME BENEFITS in most cases. However, the plans do DIFFER in their COVERAGE of SPECIALTY DRUGS. The costs that a typical user of specialty drugs must pay “out of pocket” are lower with Plan 2, specifically: Plan 1 \$2,000 per year (\$167 per month) Plan 2 \$0 (No cost to user) In any year, about 3 out of 100 people use specialty drugs. If you need specialty drugs in the future, you will NOT be able to switch from Plan 1 to Plan 2, or the other way around. If the two plans had the SAME MONTHLY PREMIUMS, would you rather have Plan 2 than Plan 1?

1 Yes

2 No

IF different coverage of specialty drugs = Yes THEN

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| [The following questions are displayed as a table]

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### | **V2** additional monthly premium

| Now suppose that you currently have health insurance Plan 1, with the higher costs for specialty  
| drugs. The MONTHLY premium for this plan is \$333 (or \$3,997 per year). Also suppose that you can  
| switch to Plan 2 today by paying an additional insurance premium each month, compared to what you are  
| already paying for Plan 1. If you do not switch to Plan 2 today, you will not be able to get it in  
| the future, if you need specialty drugs. What is the HIGHEST amount of ADDITIONAL MONTHLY PREMIUM  
| that you would be both WILLING and ABLE to pay for Plan 2, instead of Plan 1? Please indicate the  
| HIGHEST amount per month that you would be both WILLING and ABLE to pay for Plan 2, instead of Plan

| 1:

| 1 \$0

| 2 \$1

| 3 \$2

| 4 \$5

| 5 \$10

| 6 \$15

| 7 \$20

| 8 \$25

| 9 \$30

| 10 \$40

| 11 \$50

| 12 \$60

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| 13 $80
| 14 $100
| 15 $125
| 16 $150
| 17 $175
| 18 $200
| 19 $250
| 20 $300
| 21 $400
| 22 $500
| 23 $750
| 24 $1000
| 25 I would pay more than an additional $1,000 per month, specifically
|
| V2_over1000 additional monthly premium over $1000
| Integer
|
| [End of table display]
| IF additional monthly premium = I would pay more than an additional 25,000 per month, specifically
| and additional monthly premium over 00 = empty THEN
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|| checkEmpty check empty
|| You said that you would pay more than an additional $1,000, but you did not specify how much. Your
|| answers are important to us. Please go back and correct your answer.
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| ENDIF
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ENDIF

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### **characteristics\_intro** intro

We are now going to ask you several questions about your background.

#### **C2** Health insurance coverage

What kind of health insurance do you have? You may give multiple answers.

- 1 None
- 2 Medicare
- 3 Medicaid
- 4 Private health plan
- 5 Other
- 6 Don't know / unsure
- 7 Do not wish to answer

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IF Health insurance coverage = None AND cardinal ( Health insurance coverage ) > None THEN
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| error_poss error none
| You selected "None" and other options. If this is not correct, please go back and change your answer.
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ENDIF

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#### **C1** Children

How many children do you have?

- 1 None
- 2 1
- 3 2

4 3

5 4 or more

6 Do not wish to answer

**CS** explain unclear

Thank you! Was anything about the survey unclear to you? If so, please explain. If not, click NEXT.

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**CS\_001** HOW PLEASANT INTERVIEW

Could you tell us how interesting or uninteresting you found the questions in this interview?

1 Very interesting

2 Interesting

3 Neither interesting nor uninteresting

4 Uninteresting

5 Very uninteresting