## **The Drug Coupon Conundrum:**

Hidden Cost to Consumers

**COUPONS FOR NAME BRAND DRUGS** 

Average annual price increase

**DRUGS WITHOUT COUPONS** 

DRUGS WITH COUPONS

7-8% VS. 12-13%



Coupons cause drug costs to rise more quickly

UCLA School of Management

Over the next 10 years, Rx coupons will increase drug costs by

**S32 BILLION** 

Pharmaceutical Care Management Association



## The unintended consequences...



PROMOTE USE OF BRAND **OVER GENERICS** 



**COUPON COSTS ARE BAKED INTO** DRUG COSTS



**EVEN PATIENTS WHO DO NOT TAKE THESE MEDICATIONS PAY FOR THESE COSTS IN** THE FORM OF HIGHER PREMIUMS

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