

SUCCESS STORY

Employee benefits case study

a360inc saves over \$2 million in claims spend through new cost containment strategies

The goal

a360inc wanted to implement a cost containment strategy to reduce high claim expenditures, resulting from unchecked medical inflation.

The action plan

Marsh McLennan Agency (MMA) worked closely with a360inc to implement and promote Health Savings Accounts (HSAs). Increasing participation in HSA plans would save money for both employees and the employer, as the lower premiums prevent employees from paying for coverage they rarely use, as is often the case with PPO plans. MMA worked closely with a360inc's HR team to educate employees across 40 locations on the advantages of HSA plans and how to be savvy healthcare consumers. This included the use of different technology platforms like a Benefits Administration system, webinars and the company intranet.

The results

With a better understanding of how HSA plans work and an employer contribution thrown in, employees started migrating over from the PPO plan. It started with 82 employees in 2014 (6% utilization) to almost 1,000 in 2016 (76% utilization) – a 1,100% increase in three years' time. During that same period, claims were reduced saving a360 over \$2.3 million in claims spend with no increase in plan costs. The organization also accumulated over \$1,000,000 in unspent HSA deposits. With a new HSA plan in place, the focus turned to finding a new payroll vendor that could provide more comprehensive support and integrate within their Benefits Administration system. After vetting out three different options, a new high-end vendor was selected. Not only was the platform more automated, reducing time, but it also saved the organization an additional \$135,000.

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Client profile



Technology

\$2.3M in claims savings

ZEROdecrease in plan cost

1,100% increase in employee HSA participation

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