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Actuary



CURRENT RESPONSIBILITY

Ben is an actuary specializing in healthcare consulting in the Seattle office of Milliman. He joined the firm in 2006.

EXPERIENCE

Ben's actuarial experience includes health policy analysis, Medicaid rate setting and actuarial certification, Medicare Advantage bid development, statements of actuarial opinion, reserving, pricing, procurement support, state budget projections, legislative impact analysis, and audit support.

With his main focus on public sector clients, Ben has completed a variety of projects relating to the analysis and projection of health plan costs. Recent projects include the following:

- A risk-adjusted experience review at the request of a legislative audit committee for a state Medicaid agency.
- Actuarial support for development of a small employer premium subsidy program.
- Update and redesign of a financial budget projection model for a state employee benefits program.
- Legislative impact analysis support for benefit mandates and plan design provision changes.
- Actuarial certification for conversion to a full-risk Medicaid capitation rate.
- Issuance of a statement of actuarial opinion for a multi-state health insurance company.
- Supported the development of Medicare Advantage bid for both special needs plans and standard plans.

Prior to joining Milliman, Ben worked for Aetna Global Benefits as the head of Actuarial and Underwriting. He managed a growing book of business covering primarily health insurance, but also life, LTD, and stop-loss risk. This broad base of experience has provided a solid foundation for his work as an actuarial consultant.

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

- Fellow, Society of Actuaries
- Member, American Academy of Actuaries

EDUCATION

- BS, Mathematics (summa cum laude), Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

