






# REDUCING **LOW-VALUE CARE**

**Low-value care** (LVC) costs stakeholders more than **\$340 billion** annually while offering little to no patient benefit

**Examples include:**

-  Vitamin D screening tests
-  Diagnostic tests before low-risk surgery
-  PSA screening for men 70 and older
-  Branded drugs when identical generics are available
-  Low-back pain imaging within 6 weeks of onset

Reduced spending on **low-value care** creates **headroom...**



...to reallocate spending to **high-value services**

Stakeholders are uniquely positioned to address **LOW-VALUE CARE** using the following protocol:

-  1. IDENTIFY
-  2. MEASURE
-  3. REPORT
-  4. REDUCE

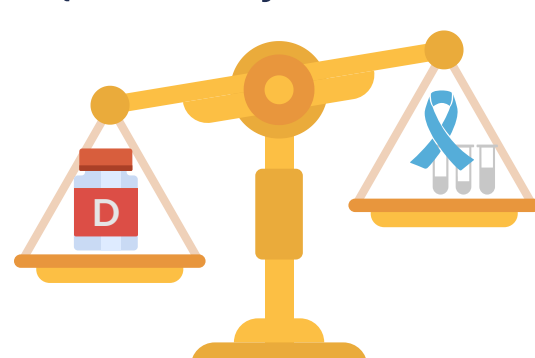
## IDENTIFY

Various initiatives determine services to be **low-value**, including:









## MEASURE

Once **LVC** is identified, analytical **tools** can use sources such as **All Payer Claims Databases** to quantify their use



## REPORT

The identified and measured **LVC** can be incorporated into a standardized **scorecard...**

IDENTIFY	MEASURE
 Vitamin D screening tests	# of tests 
 PSA screening for men 70 and older	# of screenings 
 Diagnostic tests before low-risk surgery	# of tests 

...to effectively communicate findings

## REDUCE

Stakeholders can reduce **LVC** through a number of **levers:**

### PROVIDER-FACING

### PATIENT-FACING




 Incorporate alternative payment models

**V-BID** Align out-of-pocket costs with value

Do not reimburse inappropriate services 

Steer to providers that minimize LVC 

The money saved from implementing a multi-step approach to reduce **low-value care...**

-  IDENTIFY.
-  MEASURE.
-  REPORT.
-  REDUCE.

...will allow for the reallocation of spending to pay for services that improve population health