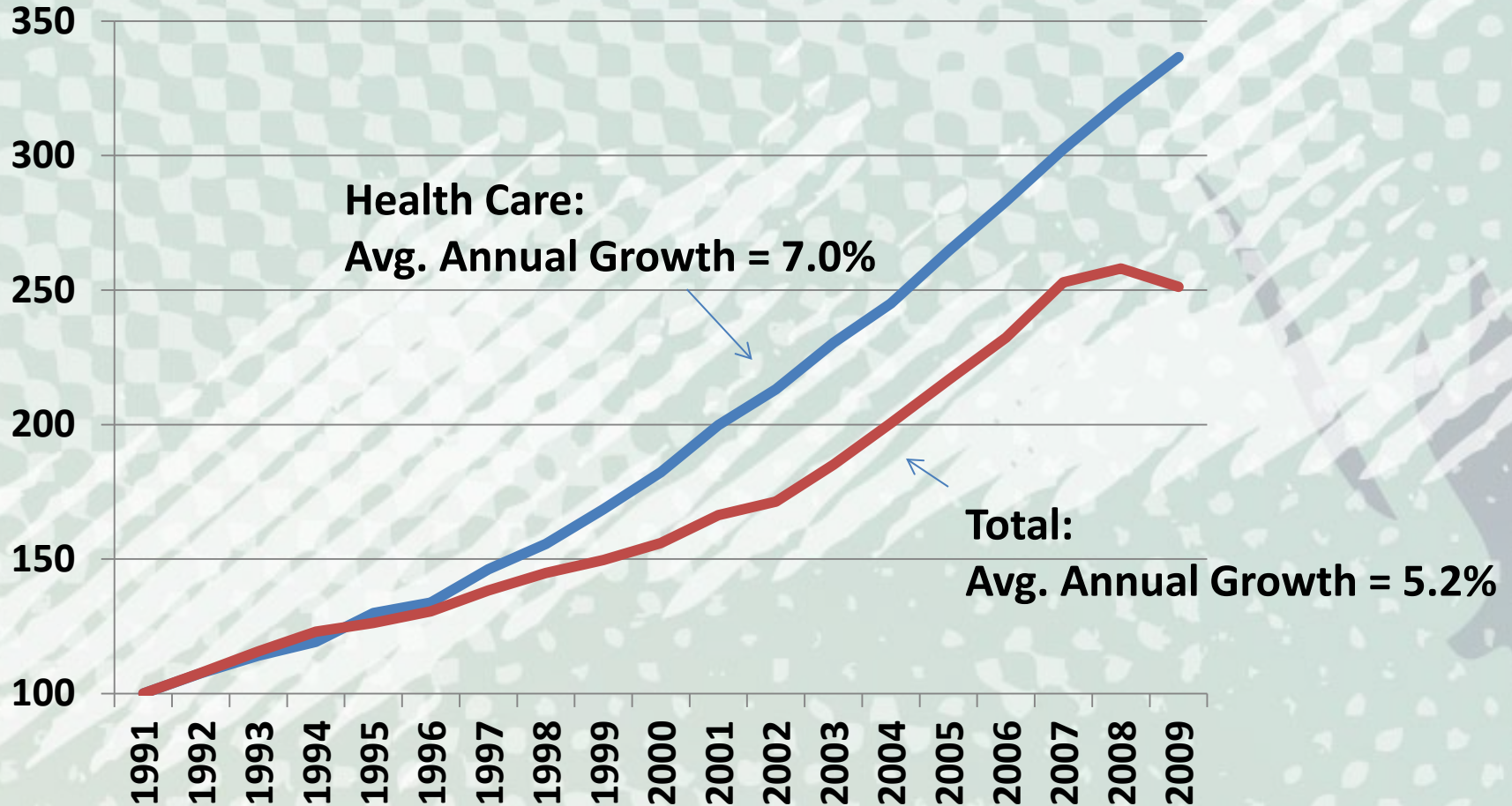




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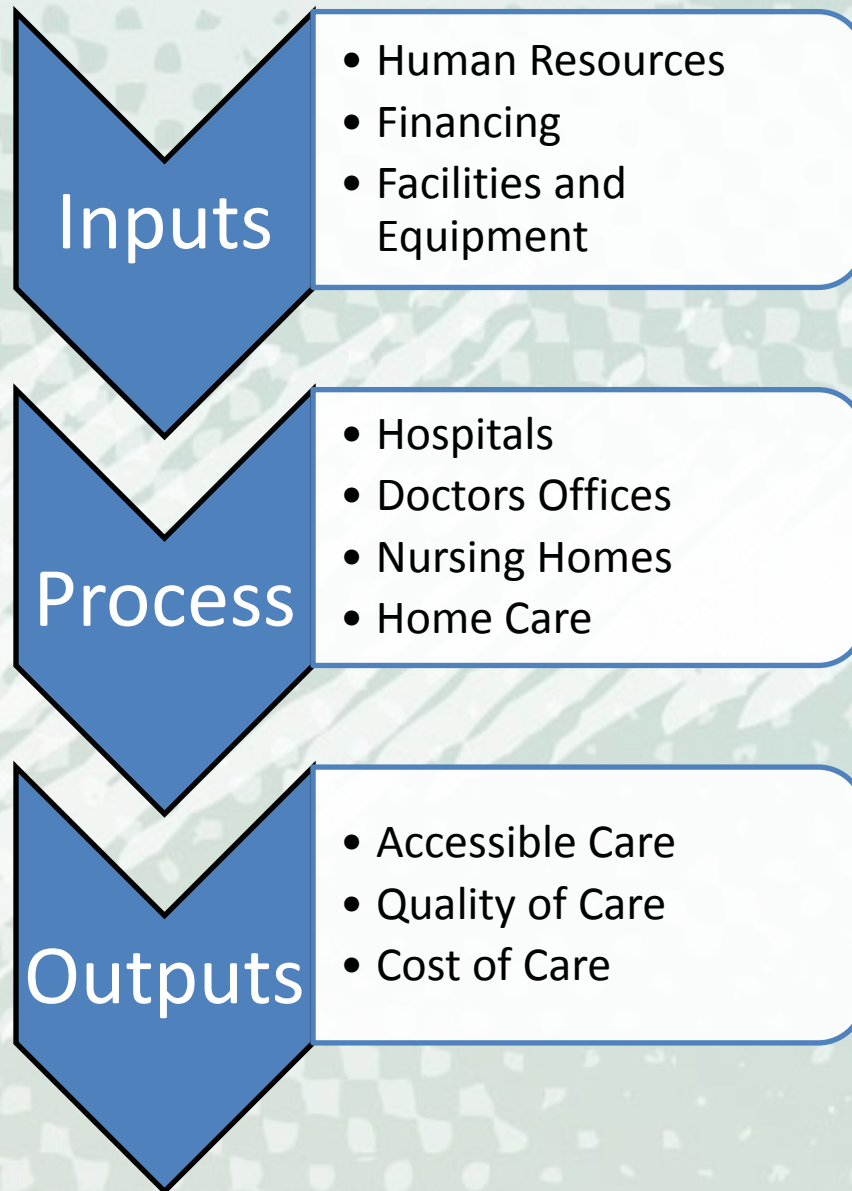
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TAKE CHARGE OF CHANGES
IN HEALTH CARE?**

Montana Health Care Spending and Total Spending, 1991-2009, Index 1991 = 100

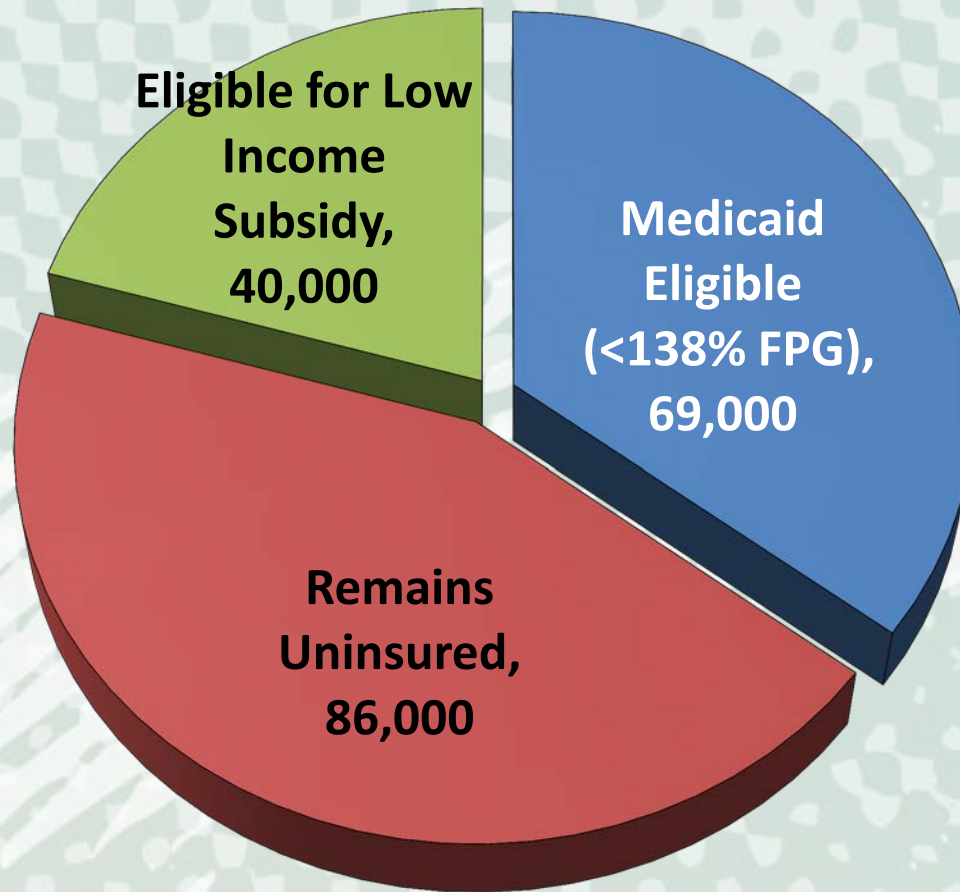


Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and Bureau of Economic Analysis

The Health Care System



Montana's 195,000 Uninsured: How ACA Can Help



Flathead County and Montana: The Uninsured

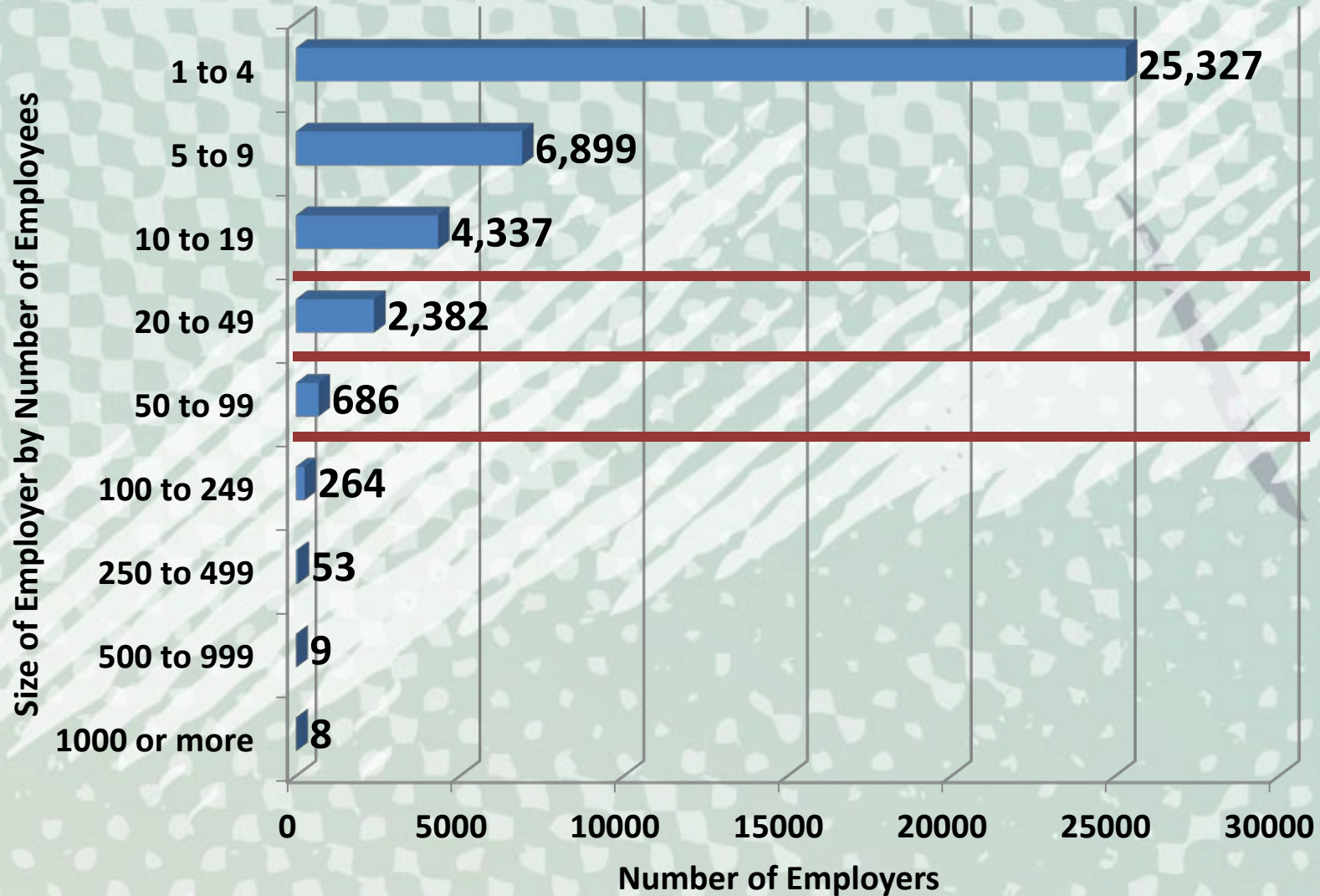
	Flathead County	Montana
Number of Uninsured	18,807	195,000
Percent of Total County Pop Uninsured	20.8%	20%
Number Covered by Medicaid before ACA	6770	106,000
Number Eligible for Medicaid after ACA	19,030	175,000
Hospital Cost of Uncompensated Care (2010)	\$10,602,031	\$244,900,000
Physicians and Other Community Providers (Est)	\$6,778,348	\$156,700,000
Total Uncompensated Care (Est)	\$17,380,379	\$401,600,000
Uncompensated Care Reduction	\$4,327,784	\$100,000,000

Health Insurance Exchange

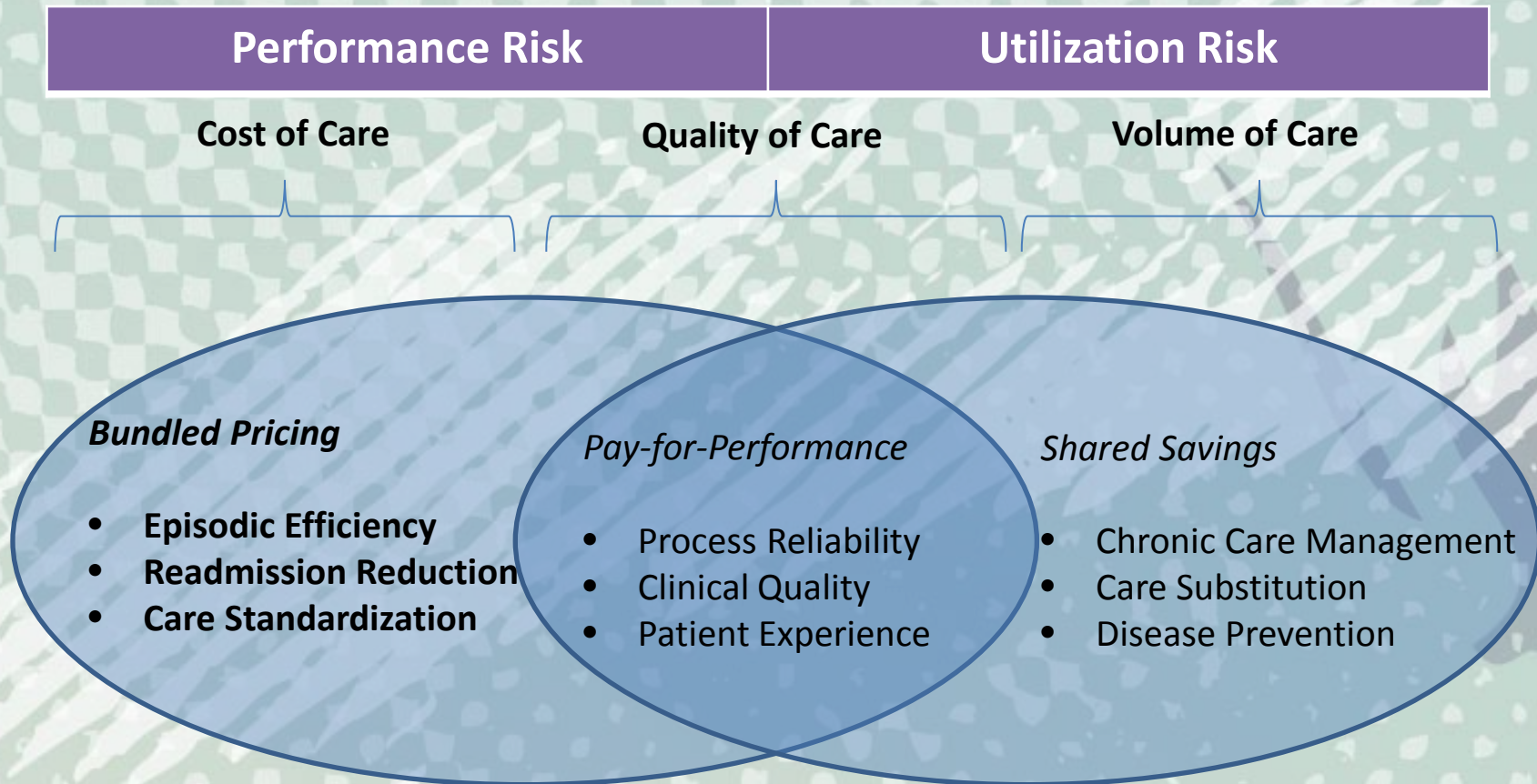
- **Functions**

- Internet virtual marketplace for individuals and small employers to shop for insurance
- Provide consumer choice (bronze, silver, gold, platinum)
- Increase transparency of products and prices
- Ensure all plans offer “essential health benefits”

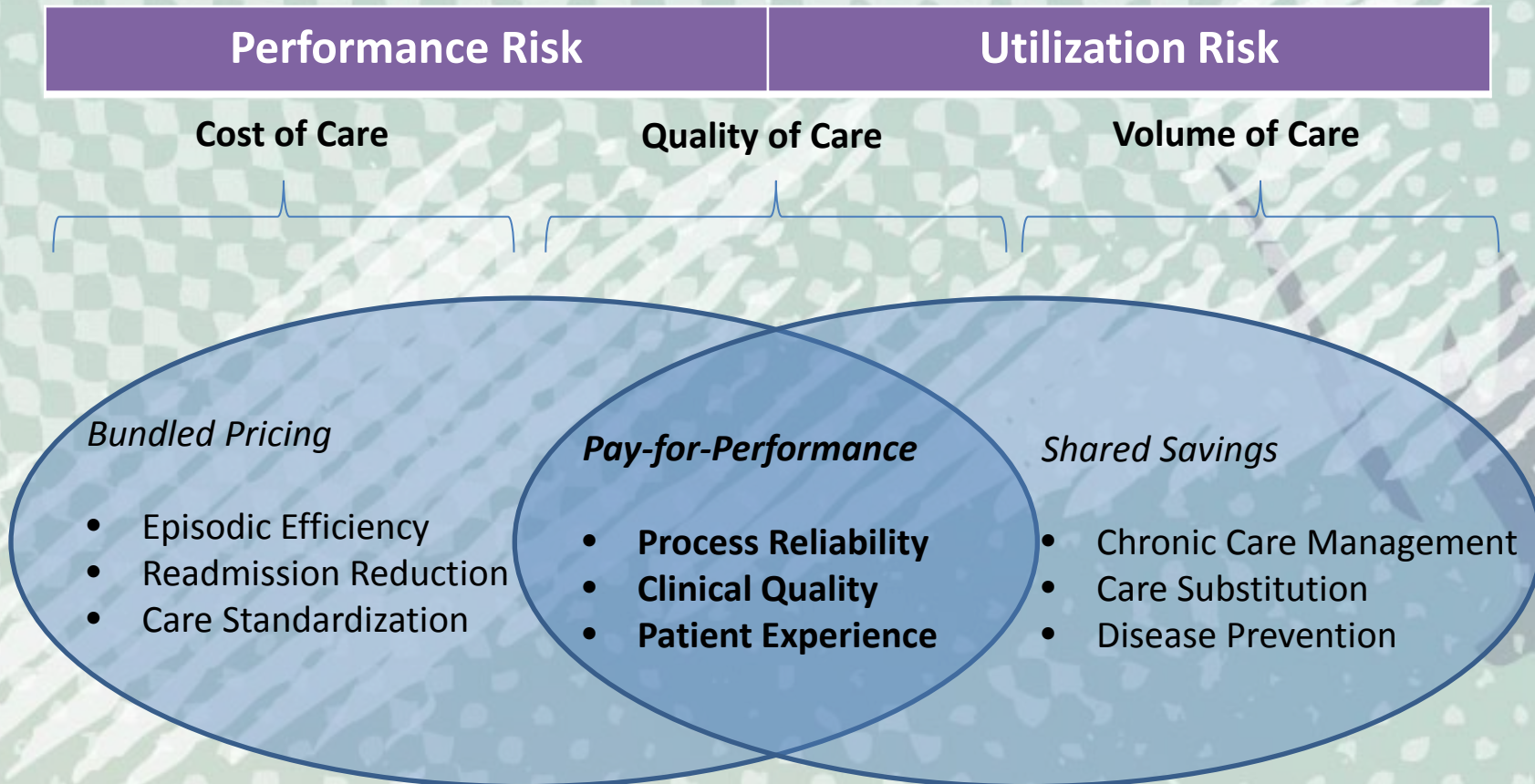
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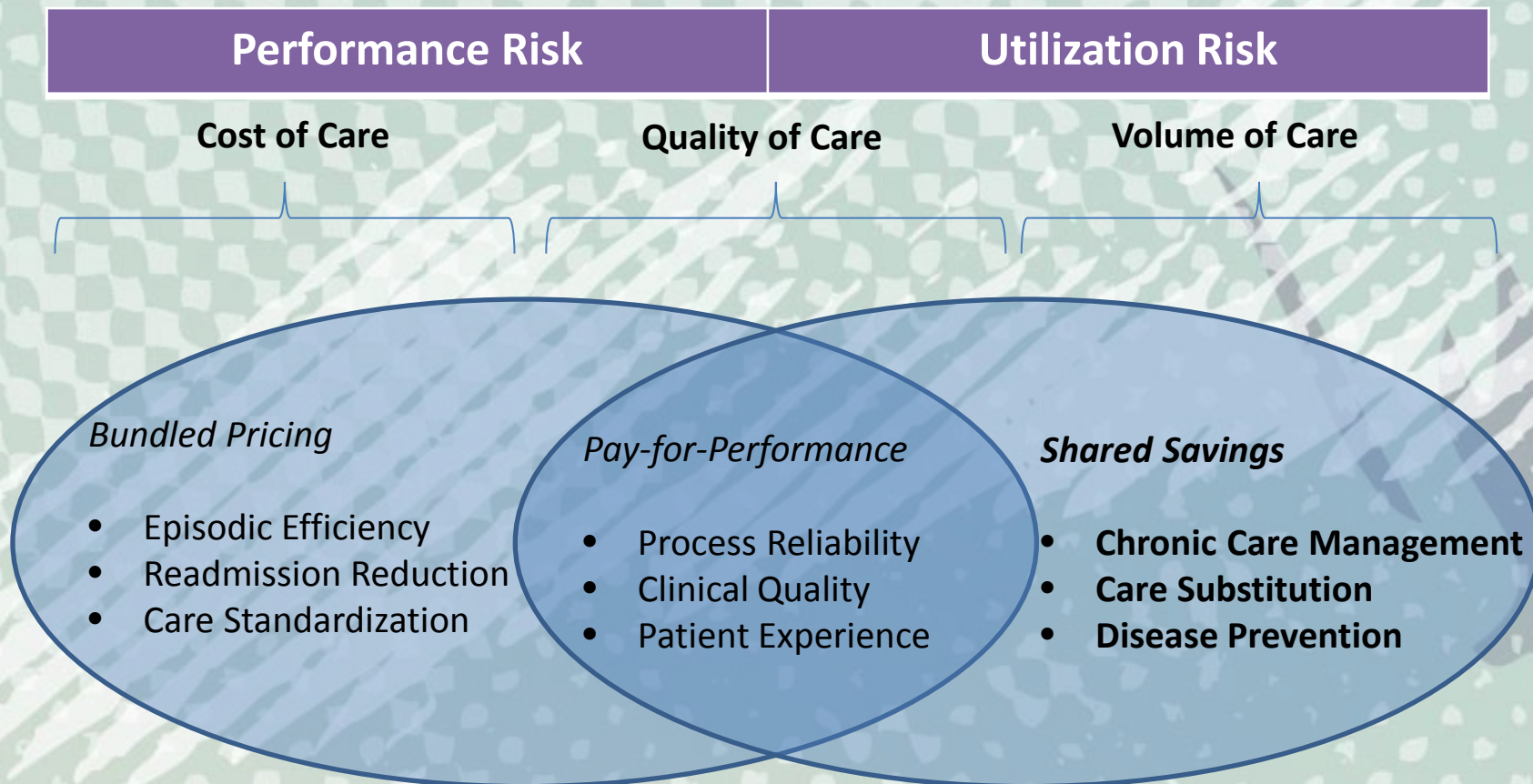
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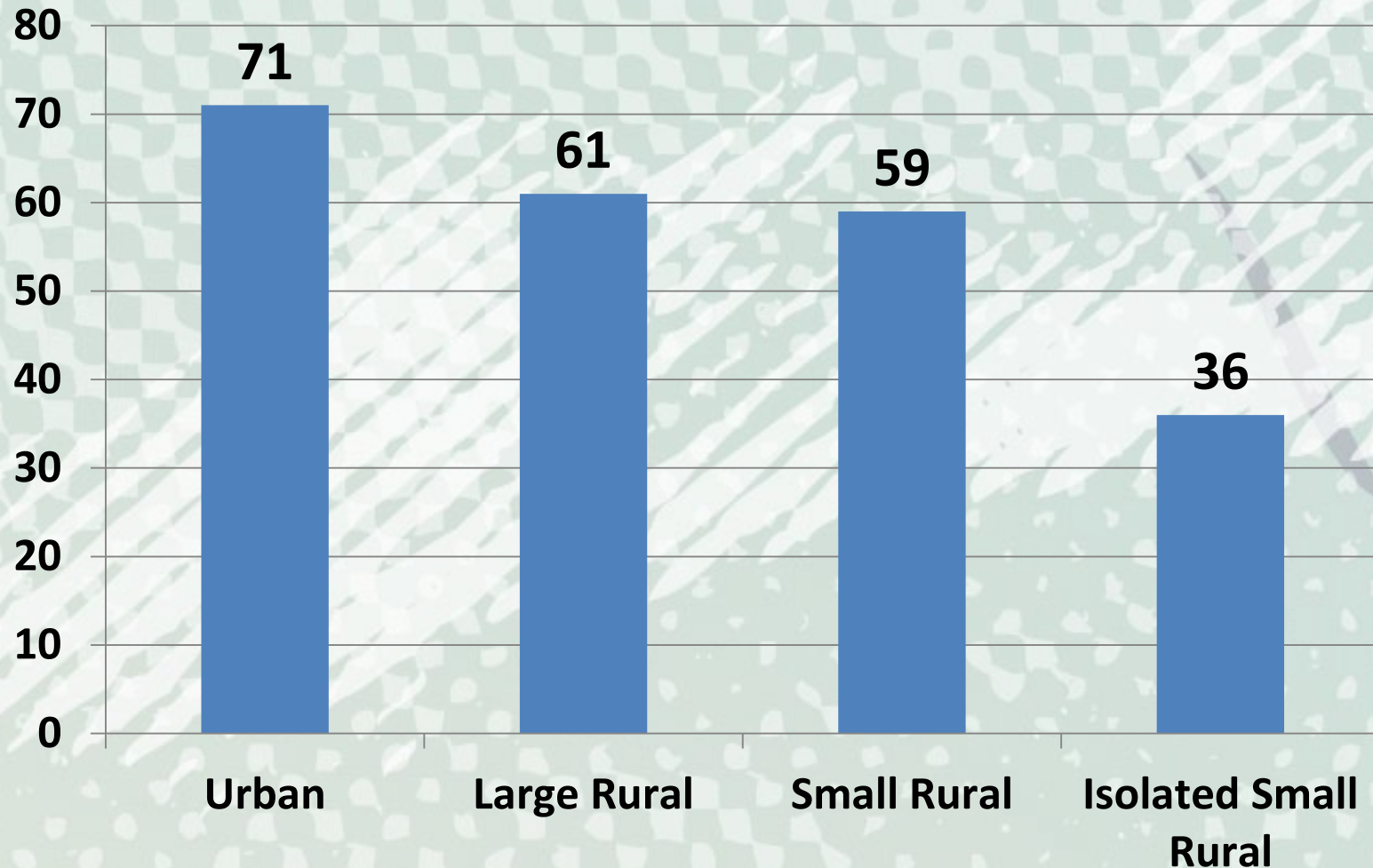
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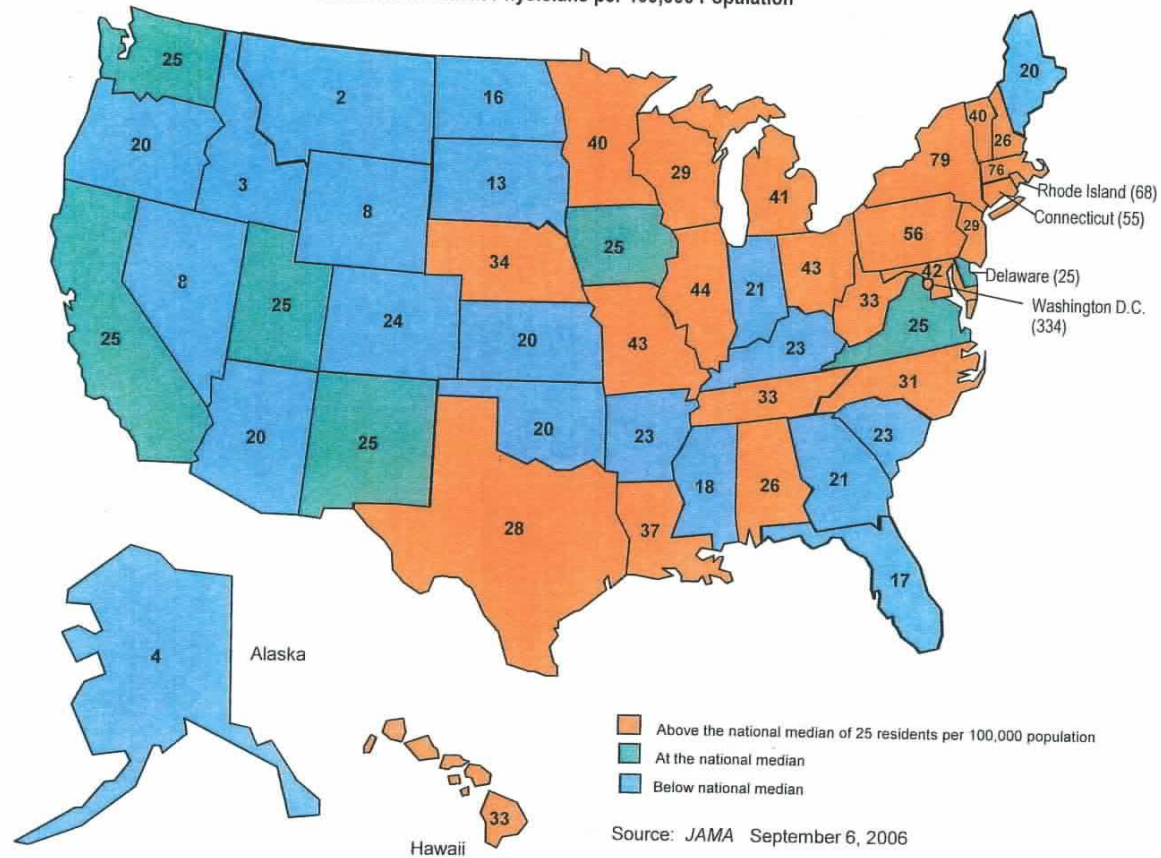
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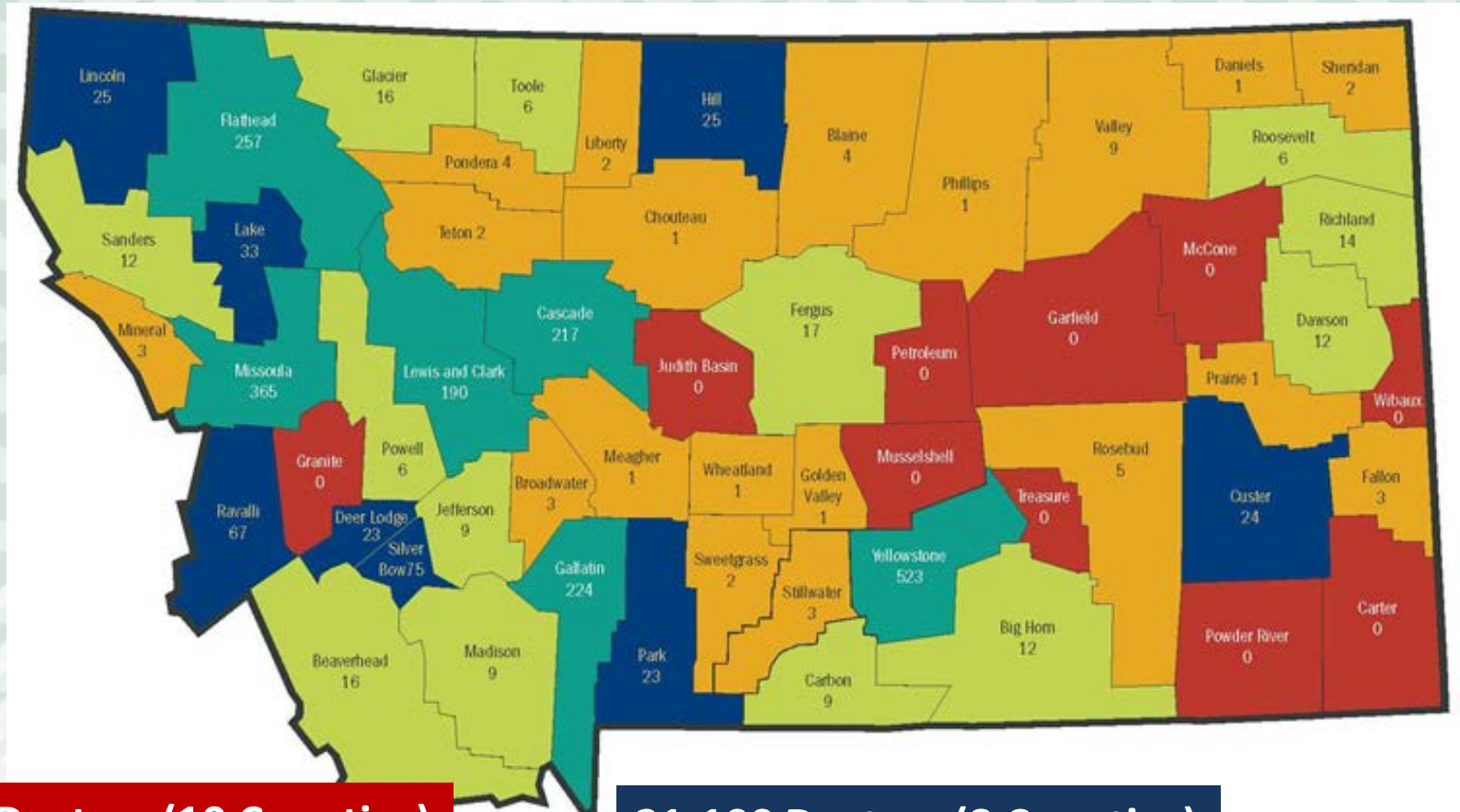
Primary Care Shortage in Montana

Distribution of Residents Engaged in Graduate Medical Education
(August 1, 2005)

Number of Resident Physicians per 100,000 Population



Montana Physicians in Active Practice by County



0 Doctors (10 Counties)

21-100 Doctors (8 Counties)

1-5 Doctors (20 Counties)

100+ Doctors (6 Counties)

6-20 Doctors (12 Counties)