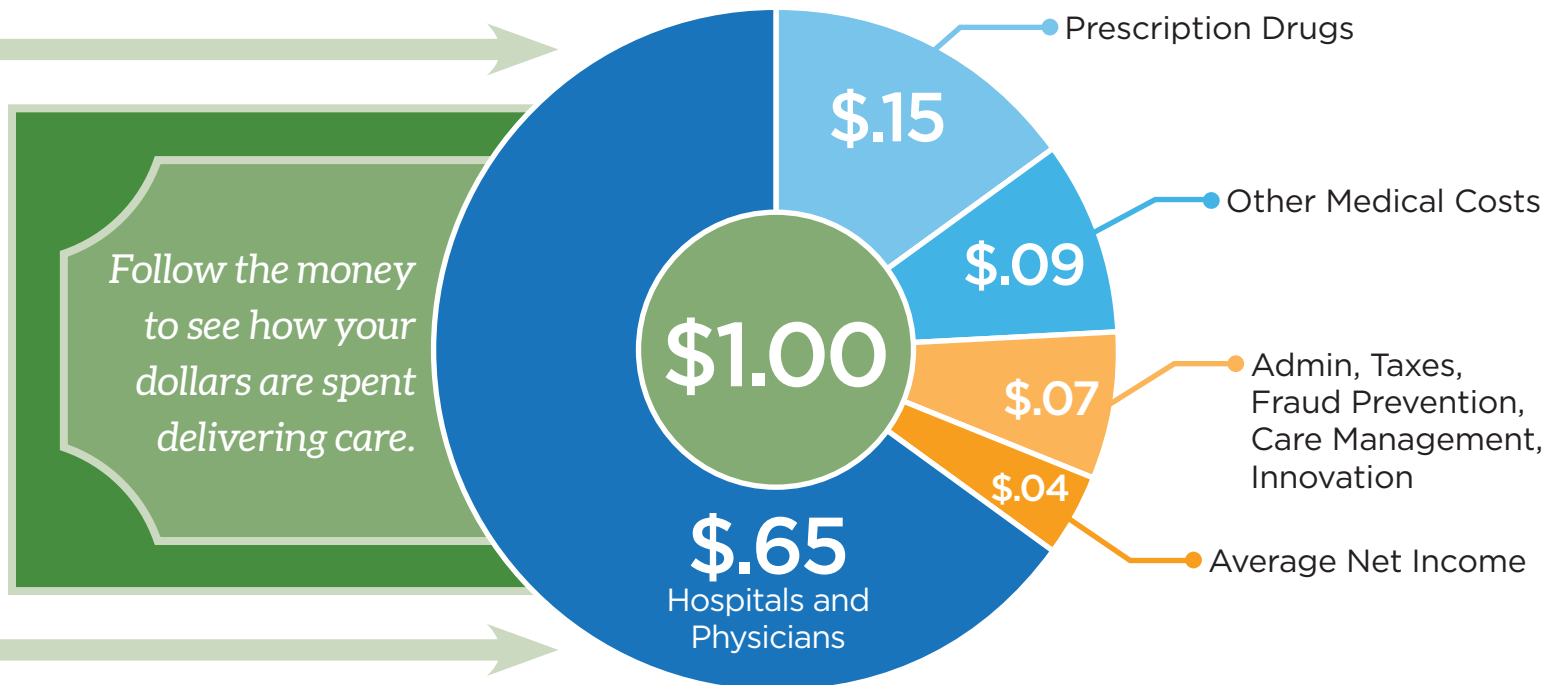
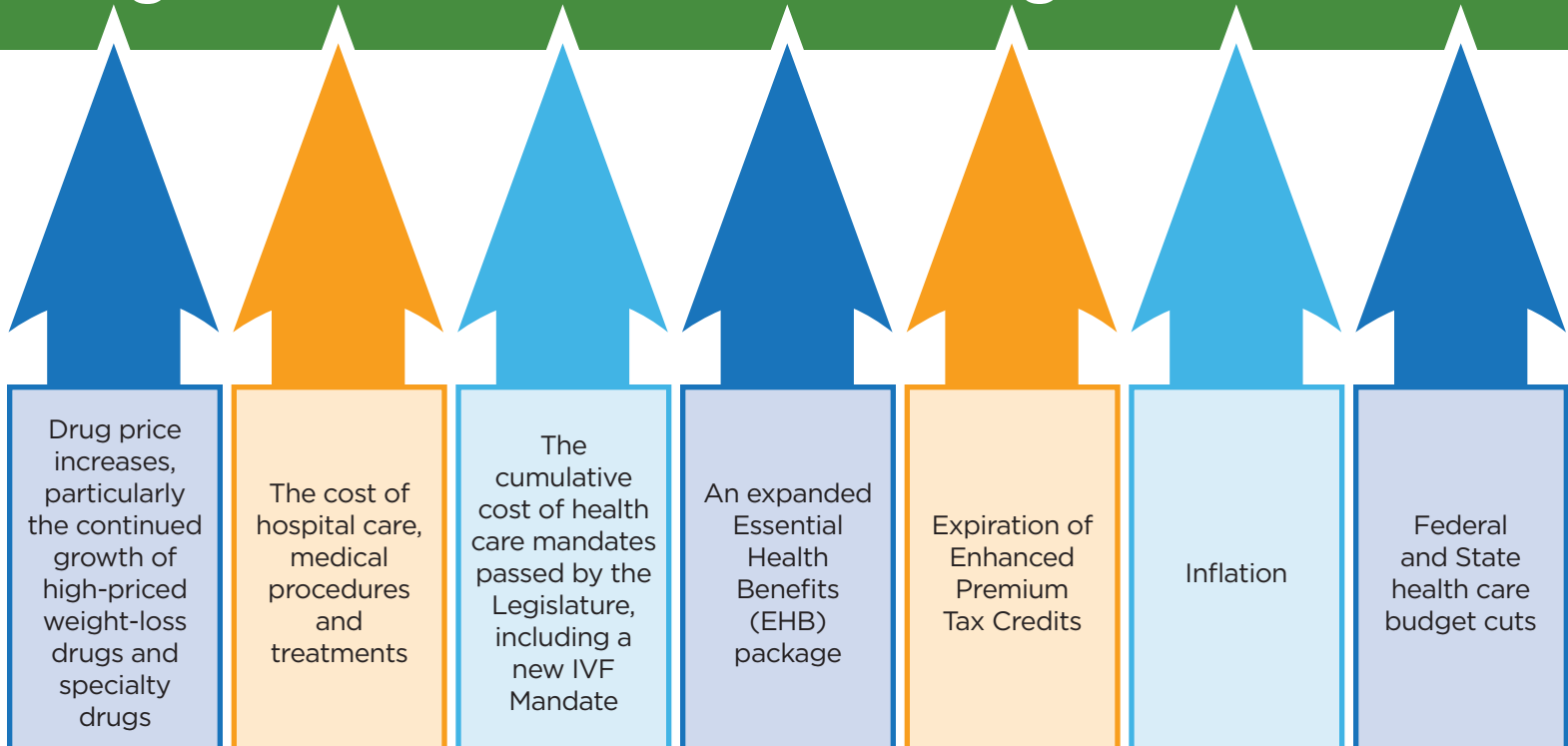


Where does your monthly health care premium dollar go?



89% of your premium dollar goes directly to pay for medical care.

Higher Health Care Costs = Higher Premiums



Health Care Cost Drivers

Did You Know?

The average cost of a hospital stay is **over \$4,000 per day.**

Open-heart surgery can cost anywhere from **\$30,000 to over \$200,000.**

The average cost for a major organ transplant can range from **over \$400,000 to more than \$2 million.**

Cancer treatment costs can vary significantly from **tens of thousands to over \$150,000 annually.**

What are health plans doing to protect affordability?

- Advocating for policies that **lower prescription drug and hospital costs and make health care more affordable.**
- Opposing **costly health care mandates introduced each legislative session** that drive up premium costs.
- Using **authorization for care** to protect patients and ensure premium dollars are spent responsibly.
- Encouraging the use of electronic authorization by providers which will help to ensure a more efficient and transparent system and speed up claims by 71%.
- Working to create efficiencies to streamline and reduce administrative requirements for providers
- Negotiating with providers to keep costs affordable while prioritizing the delivery of quality care
- Supporting the **Office of Health Care Affordability's (OHCA)** mission to keep health care affordable and accessible for all Californians.

