

# Step 1: Calculate **Risk Adjusted Panel Size (RAPS)**

PCP A



1. Each patient → HHS-HCC risk score: **bounded [0.5 – 5.0]**
2. Average risk score \* PCP's panel size = **RAPS (raw)**
3. Prorate RAPS by FTE → **RAPS (standardized)**

## Step 2: Set Risk Adjusted Panel Size (RAPS) **Targets**

PCP **A**



→ RAPS = 3,416

PCP **B**



→ RAPS = 2,851

PCP **C**



→ RAPS = 3,279



For all PCPs in a stratum, the median RAPS = **Target**

# Step 3: Set RAPS Targets **Strata and Adjustments**



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**NP/PA Adjustment:** +650-800 RAPS per FTE to target

## Step 4: Compensation → Set **Base Salary**

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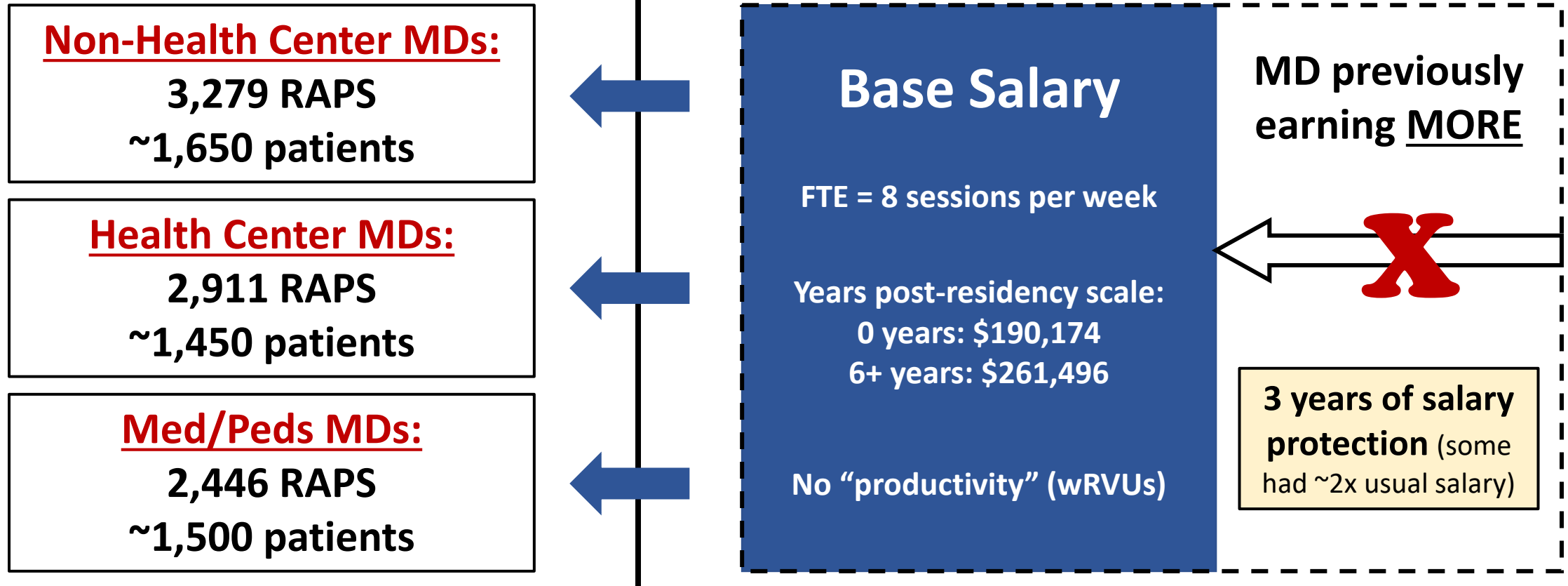
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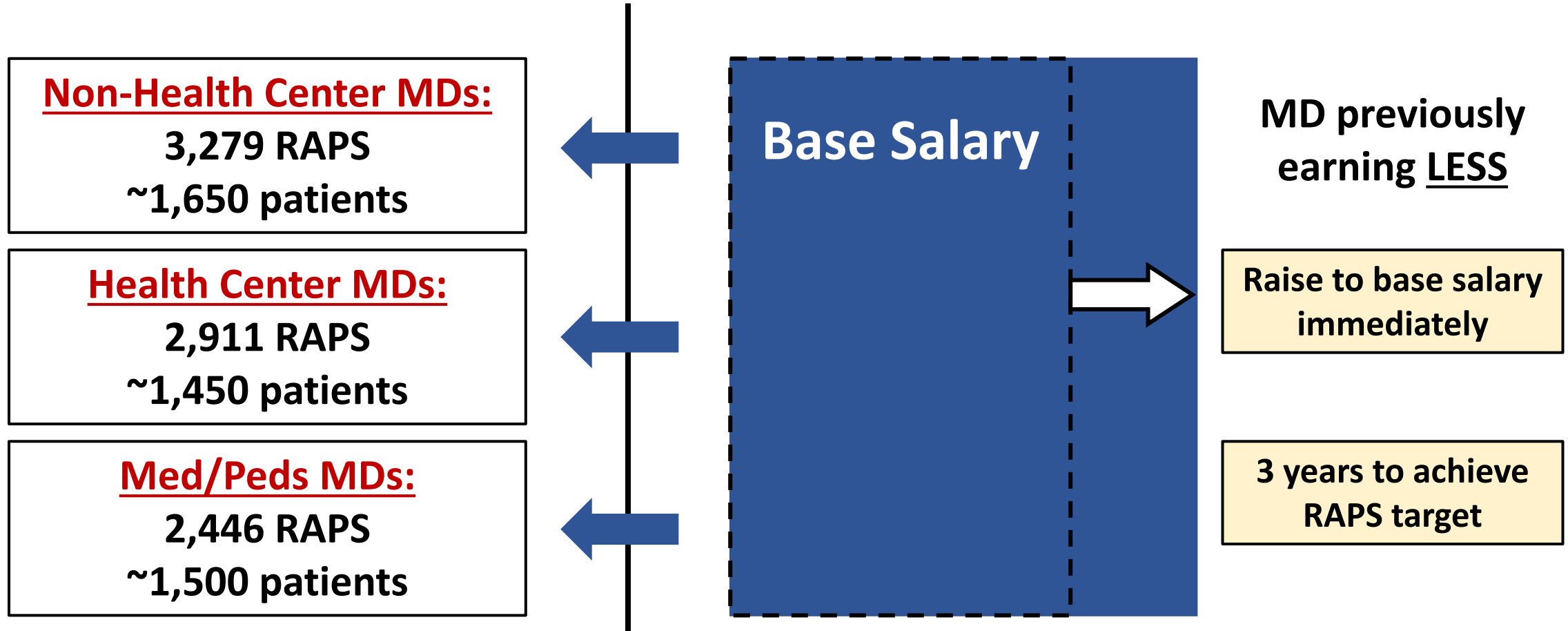
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No “productivity” (wRVUs)

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# Early Experience at MGH

**Q: How did visit volume change in year 1?**

- A) Increased 10-15%
- B) Increased 5-10%
- C) Increased 0-5%
- D) Decreased 0-5%
- E) Decreased 5-10%
- F) Decreased 10-15%**

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Revenues across PC ↓ by \$10+ million

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RVU based annual incentive \$

- At most 5-10% of total comp
- Much smaller or \$0 for most

Floor: minimum of 7 visits per session

Improve patient scheduling

Coding and co-pays

- (1) RAPS > target
- (2) wRVUs > expected  
[7 visits/session \* average weight per visit across PC]

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Rewards PCPs who pitch in and see extra urgent visits



# Lessons Learned at MGH Primary Care

**Year 1:** Behind revenue target as revenue fell.  
Costs roughly at similar level as prior.

**Year 2:** Started to build back (previous slide).

**Year 3:** More revenue than projected for the first time in 10+ years due to **visit** and some **panel growth** (not +margin, as hospital subsidies still needed)

## **3X ↑ in Epic Gateway Calls/Requests**

- 300 patient advice requests/mo./FTE
- Amount of work has likely ~“doubled”
- Joy and burnout: worse today vs. 2019

## **Vision – a true “steady state”**

- PCPs use care teams → **panel growth**
- **Panel growth** → ↑ volume & revenue
- Patient and provider health (↓ burnout)

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**Pandemic**



# Lessons Learned at MGH Primary Care

## Simplicity

Essential for communicating new model to MDs.  
Missteps in trying complicated RAPS targets.



Easier to code.  
Harder to take  
on more pts.

### There are PC winners and losers

**High FFS earners** → need a bridge

- But ultimately income curtailed
- Allowed to exceed 1.0 FTE (9-10 sessions/wk). Some did. Still here.

**Healthy panels** → can be precarious.

