

Economies of Scale: Spread Costs Across Multiple Organizations

- **How it might be done:**
 - A health system seeks independent physician practices, stand-alone hospitals, and other providers to form an ACO or clinically integrated network (CIN)
 - Adoption of a common IT platform is a condition of joining the ACO or CIN
- **How it benefits the health system and its partners:**
 - Costs of developing a population health management infrastructure are shared across participants
 - Greater IT compatibility means better data quality and communication across the network
 - Partners can share costs of a flexible IT team that can work on issues across the network