

## Helps Physician Groups Improve Patient Care and Maximize P4P Bonuses

Ascender P4P collects, computes, reports, and helps manage the clinical measurements for California's Pay for Performance (P4P) initiative for physician groups. Ascender seamlessly combines clinical data from different sources to calculate denominators, numerators, and exclusions for all P4P clinical measures.

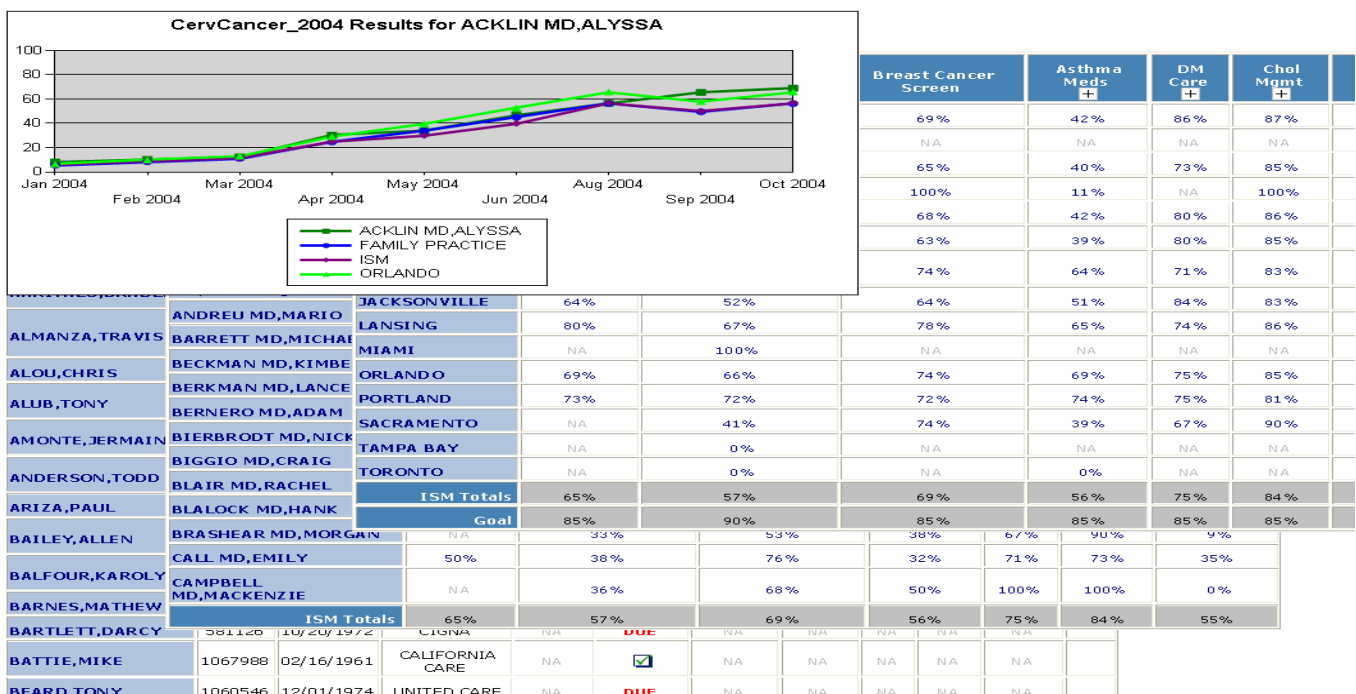
Ascender goes beyond self-reporting clinical measures at the end of the year. **Reports can be viewed throughout the measurement year.** Data compiles can be scheduled weekly or monthly, with new data views generated using current source data. Regular measurement of clinical metrics provides feedback for individual physicians that can lead to additional P4P bonuses. Physician groups can use this feedback to proactively affect their P4P scores during the year and to create significant improvements in patient care.



**Frequent review of clinical measures can lead to higher P4P bonuses and improve patient care**

Data views are simple to read and easy to navigate. Summary data shows the overall percentage of compliant patients for each P4P measure by specialty, facility, provider, or any other grouping you define. This powerful tool also allows individual physicians to drill down to the individual patient level to see patient compliance for each measure and other patient specific information including last dates of service.

Ascender, equipped with the P4P and CM Modules, can be used to create and manage patient communication by creating call lists and mailings based on your standards of care. With the Ascender CM Module, reports can be run to show performance metrics for your **entire patient population**, not just those in the P4P denominator.



## Background

The Integrated Healthcare Association (IHA) launched the Pay for Performance (P4P) initiative in January 2002 in a statewide effort to use standard measurements to evaluate the performance of contracted physician organizations. The goal of the endeavor is to develop a common set of measures, publicly report scores for those measures, and financially reward the physician organizations that consistently demonstrate high levels of performance.

Infotech Systems Management is a well-respected systems integrator, specializing in database applications for the healthcare sector. Ascender is the result of Infotech Systems Management collaborating with its clients to create an integrated solution to calculate P4P measures, incorporating the flexibility to look at those measures across their entire patient population.

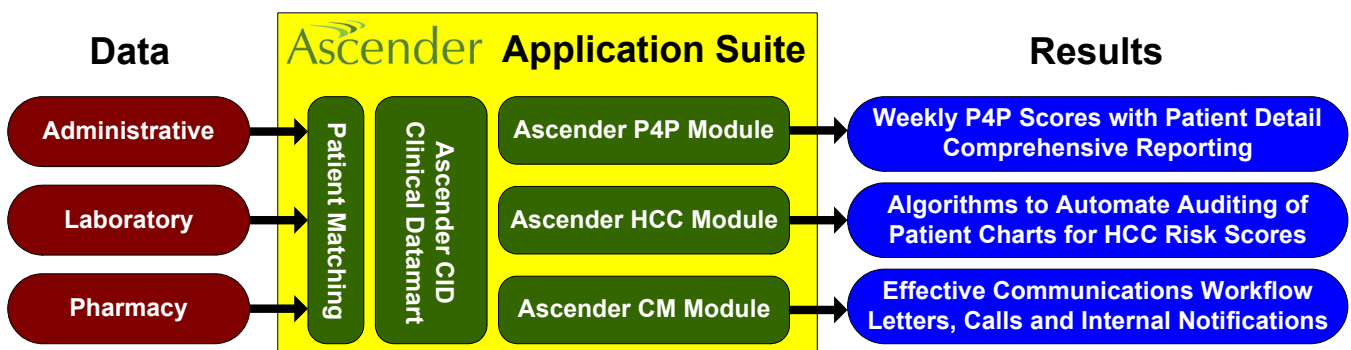
### Technologies Used

- Microsoft SQL Server
- Microsoft Windows Server
- Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS)
- Microsoft .NET
- HTML
- Javascript

## Integration

Ascender supports integration with most major administrative data systems, pharmacy systems, and laboratory data systems (either real-time interfaces or batch data). The Ascender CM Module supports integration to push data to most major clinical EMR's. Experienced Infotech Systems Management integrators are also available to develop custom interfaces to meet all of your needs.

Ascender is an application suite that addresses specific healthcare issues for provider organizations. Ascender seamlessly combines clinical data from multiple different sources (claim, invoice, lab, pharmacy, etc.) to calculate the measures your organization needs to help manage your patient populations.



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