OHSU Brain Institute continues to lead the way in cerebral aneurysm treatment with the Pipeline Embolization Device (PED). This device is a flow diverter (a stent) that bridges an aneurysm and directs blood flow past, rather than into it. Our neurointerventionalists are experts in interventional neuroradiology and were first on the West Coast to use PED to treat wide-neck aneurysms, many of which had been considered untreatable.

CASE STATEMENTS:
OHSU Brain Institute has the most experience on the West Coast treating aneurysm patients with PED. This new advance in endovascular treatment allows more aneurysm patients to be treated successfully. OHSU is one of the most active centers for embolization of brain aneurysms in the United States. Our expertise in this complex procedure translates to better results and lower costs.

BENEFITS TO YOUR EMPLOYEES:
• Many aneurysms thought to be untreatable can be safely and effectively treated with PED.
• Implanting PED, compared to conventional surgery, allows eligible patients to recover and return to work faster.

IMPACTS ON HEALTH CARE COSTS:
• Treatment with PED allows patients to recover quickly, shortening hospital length of stay from approximately 12 days to one.
• For wide-neck aneurysms, PED eliminates the number of coils used, potentially resulting in a 25 percent cost savings compared to coil embolization with stent.*
• Overall costs were significantly lower for aneurysm embolization compared to conventional surgery due to shorter procedure times and hospital length of stay, with a faster return to work.
• PED has been shown to cure many aneurysms, reducing the need for long-term treatment.

BOTTOM LINE:
Providing an innovative treatment option for previously untreatable aneurysms that results in less downtime for the patient and reduced cost. Just one more reason why it’s good business to ensure OHSU is included in your benefits plan.

When it comes to serious medicine, OHSU is irreplaceable in your benefits plan.