The Baldrige Program's Successful Transition From Federal Funding

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Milestones in the Transition

FY2011 \$9.6M (federal appropriation) \$1.5M (Baldrige Foundation)

November 2011 Zero FY2012 federal appropriation November 2011
Commitment of \$5.2M by Baldrige Foundation (FY2012)

February 2012
Commitment of \$15M by Baldrige
Foundation
(FY2013–FY2015)

April 2012
Business plan
accepted by
NIST/DOC

Meanwhile . . .

Strategy Mapping

Business Plan Development

Business Plan Execution

Gift decreases as cost recovery increases

Baldrige Foundation Support

Cost Recovery

Assessments
Education/training
Criteria sales

Business
Model

Cost Reduction

Shift some operations
Streamline remaining operations
Reduce examiner reimbursement

Cost Reduction and Recovery

Award Eligibility Limits

• From 70–85 to 39 applications

Other Time & Cost Savings

- Staff: 38 to 24 through attrition
- Expenses: \$10.32 million to \$5.56 million

Products & Services

- Award assessments
- Education & training
- Collaborative assessments
- Criteria for Performance Excellence



FY2012 Performance to Plan

(Thousands of \$)	FY2011	FY2012		
		Conservative	Stretch	
Product and Service Fee Income	Actual	Goal	Goal	Actual
Award application fees	850	661	661	566
Criteria	30	10	20	15
Sponsorships/exhibits	N/A	100	200	105
Conferences/events	210	210	250	244 ^a
Training/presentations	N/A	45	90	80
Assessment services	N/A	25	50	Op
Baldrige Fellows Program	130	146	146	146
Total Fee Income	1,220	1,197	1,417	1,156
Program Expenses				
Labor and benefits	6,986	4,474	4,474	4,172
Other objects/Indirect costs	1,571	988	988	723
ASQ contract costs	1,760	763	763	669
Total Labor and Other Costs	10,317	6,225	6,225	5,564

^aDoes not include \$100K in expenses for the 2011 Award Ceremony, which was added to the Quest for Excellence conference.

^bAlthough the fees will be invoiced in FY2013, commitments for \$40K were secured in FY2012.

Baldrige Impact

820 to 1

 Ratio of benefits for the U.S. economy to Baldrige Program costs (Economic Evaluation of the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, December 2011)

> 60%; 80% of teaching hospitals

 100 Top Hospitals winners using the Baldrige Criteria (Truven Health Analytics, December 2012)

65%

• U.S. hospitals likely to use the Baldrige Criteria by 2018 (*Futurescan 2013*, ACHE)

93% and 63%

 Median growth in revenue and jobs, respectively, for two-time Baldrige Award winners; 3.2% job growth for matched industries

Challenges Remain . . .

- Diminished access to Criteria for small organizations and nonprofits; charging for the Criteria
- Operating a "business" with government restrictions, while benefiting from Presidential award status and federal imprimatur for the Criteria
- Managing relationships with state, industry, and international Baldrige-based programs
- Staff motivation and work overload are both extremely high in latest employee survey



Quest for Excellence Conference and Anniversary Gala



Marriott Baltimore Waterfront

Conference: April 7–10

Keynote: Dr. Ben Carson of Johns Hopkins Hospital

25th Anniversary Gala: April 7

Speakers from the Baldrige community, dinner, music, 25th anniversary video

