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#### **Synopsis**

## This **Health Tracker** leverages Parks Associates' digital health consumer survey data to inform healthcare providers of the best means to engage healthcare consumers through segmentation. Parks Associates has developed a proprietary segmentation approach that uses demographic, psychographic. attitudinal, behavioral, and technographic data to produce 14 rich and detailed health consumer segments. The report also examines past and current consumer segmentation approaches and their adoption by healthcare organizations.

## **Main Consumer Segments**

# **Healthy and Engaged**

#### **Consumer Segments**

Life Cruiser **Independent Strivers Health Optimizers** 

#### Characteristics

- Eat right and exercise
- Healthy weight and no disease
  - Affluent and educated

# Young and Indifferent

#### **Consumer Segments**

Complacent Rule-breaker **Casually Concerned** Wellness Risk-taker

#### Characteristics

- Don't follow guidelines
  - Still healthy
  - Generally young

# Challenged but Mindful

#### **Consumer Segments**

Savvy Engager **Confident Boomer Tried and Helpless** Lost Self-Achiever

#### Characteristics

- Face health challenges
- Follow healthy guidelines
- Many Silents (born < 1945)</li>

# **Unhealthy and In-denial**

#### **Consumer Segments**

**Health Struggler** Ailing Underachiever **Directionless Laggard** Overconfident Resister

#### Characteristics

- Face multiple health challenges
- · Have given up following rule
- Least affluent and least educated

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"Consumerism in healthcare is a transformative trend and the U.S. healthcare industry is trying to adapt to it. Unfortunately, the healthcare industry has barely scratched the surface in understanding consumers," said Harry Wang, Senior Research Director at Parks Associates. "Interest has been on the rise to apply more advanced consumer segmentation in a chronic care program or a broader population health management program. And our research features two years of survey work that identifies 14 digital health consumers with demographic, behavioral, and motivational attributes for healthcare clients to target, engage, and benchmark their consumer engagement efforts."

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