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Severity Trends

As severity in claims rise in auto, general liability and the workers' compensation workforce ages, carriers must be more vigilant than ever to contain costs. Downstream costs can be mitigated by getting the diagnosis correct the first time and laying the groundwork for appropriate treatment.

Diagnostic Accuracy

Studies show that 40% of primary reads by general radiologists are inaccurate and that treatment can be affected in as many as 25% of cases.¹ Fellowship trained, sub-specialized radiologists can reduce costs by helping to avoid unnecessary exams and procedures.

The Cost of Getting it Wrong

The cost of getting a diagnosis wrong is significant. For example, lumbar injuries are the most common in the claims space. A disc herniation cost across medical, lost wages, and settlement spend is \$105,000. In comparison, a disc bulge, a less severe form of disc disease, only costs \$15,000. Often times, poorer-quality reads by generalists and providers looking for kickbacks end up overcalling disc herniations when they are, in fact, simple disc bulges.

Getting it Right the First Time

Getting a read right the first time is more imperative than ever with claims severity increasing by 10%.² Establishing a claim's course through diagnostic quality control in imaging has the potential to save hundreds of thousands of dollars downstream in medical, litigation, and settlement costs.

Increase Quality and Decrease Costs

Our fellowship trained, sub-specialized radiologists represent the highest standard in imaging. Combat severity by:

1. Getting a read right the first time with our primary network built with end-to-end quality control for work comp cases.
2. Take a programmatic approach with auto and GL claims and push every claim with imaging to A4D for review within 48 hours.

Pay only what you owe and rest assured you are getting the highest quality in the industry all while saving money. For every \$1 invested with A4D, you can expect \$20 back. On average, a program with us will reduce litigation expense by 5%. Setup a higher quality diagnostic program today with Authentic4D.

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