

## The real impact of Prior Authorization

According to an Optum Rx white paper, research findings showed how PreCheck<sup>®</sup> MyScript data impacts Prior Authorizations (PA) and provides additional benefits to providers and their patients.

The white paper proved that PAs, while beneficial, can be a hassle for providers. Research brought to light the time-intensive administrative impact on providers and their staff.



**“86% of providers** have noted an **increase in administrative time** associated with processing PAs.”<sup>1</sup>

Their research also showed that prescribing the right medication the first time is a critical step in improving outcomes – for everyone involved. Data like PreCheck MyScript offer providers real-time, point-of-care information that ensures patients receive the right medication the first time.

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At an average of 50 minutes for each request, plus an additional 50 minutes to appeal a denied PA, it's clear why many are looking for a more time sensitive, patient-centric data solution.

Based on the salaries of the prescribers and staff performing each task, researchers were able to outline the costs associated with each step of the prescription process.



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in patient prescription pickup when paired with an effective RTBC solution.<sup>2</sup>

Findings showed that the average cost for writing claims that require a PA is \$41.05 per prescription.

The added cost in time and money can be avoided by using real-time benefits tool data like PreCheck MyScript. In addition to savings for providers and their staff, patients are more likely to pick up a lower-cost alternative. An industry article notes,

*“Through visibility, an effective RTBC (Real-Time Benefits Check) solution has led to nearly 20% more patients picking up their prescriptions from the pharmacy.”<sup>2</sup>*

Using PreCheck MyScript data will help providers get patients the right medication, the first time. By having to deal with fewer PA rejections and fewer abandoned prescriptions, providers will see higher patient satisfaction and outcomes.



“Using **PreCheck MyScript data** will help providers get patients **the right medication, the first time.**”

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