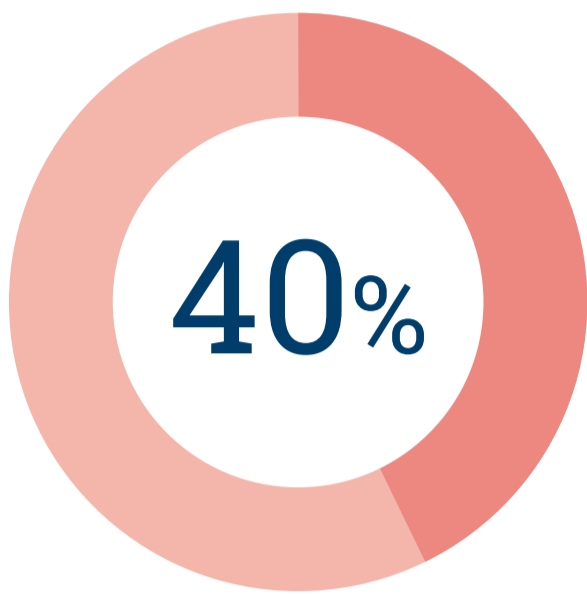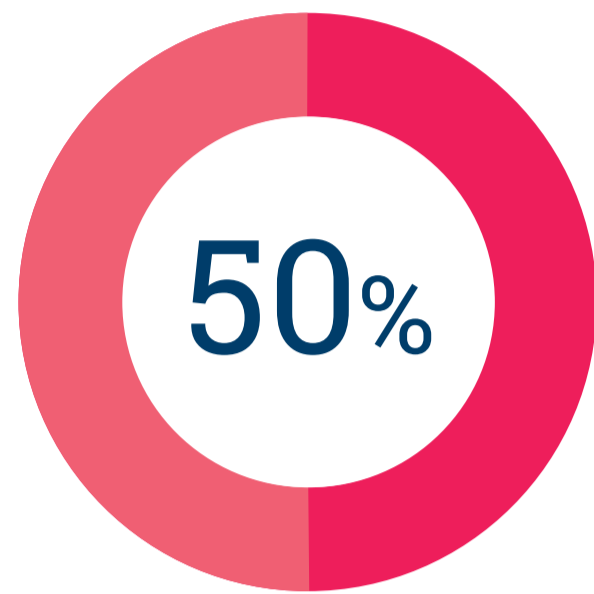# Sepsis upcoding is costing health plans a fortune

Sepsis is an overwhelming response to infection that can lead to tissue damage, organ failure and death. The life-threatening condition is the most expensive DRG, costing health plans more than $24 billion per year. But the number of patients diagnosed with sepsis has nearly doubled over the last decade, prompting the Office of the Inspector General to suspect the presence of upcoding and recommend that health plans conduct targeted claims reviews and clinical validation to guard against them.

$ 24,000,000,000
in annual costs for sepsis care in the U.S.

40%

Increase in sepsis costs since 2012

50%

Percentage of Medicare spending on sepsis

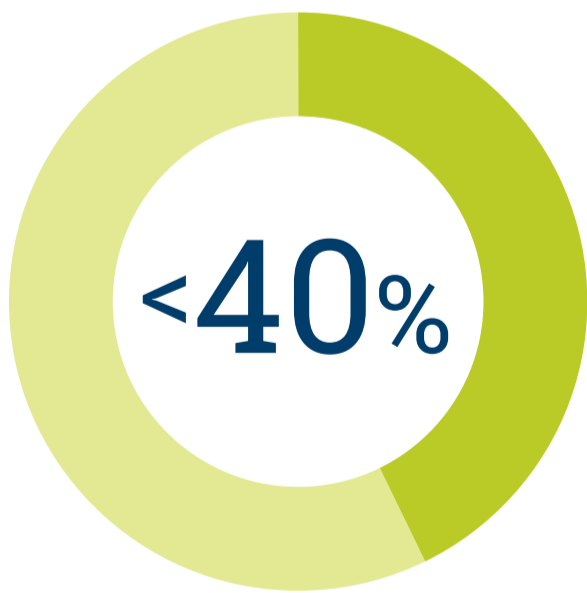## Save millions by taking down upcoding schemes

MedReview Inc. combines industry leading clinical expertise with the latest advances in artificial intelligence to help health plans identify upcoding schemes and ensure that claims fairly represent the appropriate level of care for each patient. By catching suspicious billing practices such as upcoding prior to payment, MedReview can save your health plan millions of dollars.

$351 M

Amount MedReview saved health plans in 2021

$60 M

Amount MedReview saved health plans on sepsis claims in 2021

<40%

Percentage of reviewed claims resulting in a DRG reassignment

<95%

Percentage of reassignments upheld at appeal

What sets MedReview apart is our physician-led approach to payment integrity. Every claim we reassign is reviewed and approved by a board-certified physician, resulting in highly defensible reassignments and more than $3 billion in client savings. With MedReview as your payment integrity partner, upcoding schemes for sepsis and other high severity conditions don't stand a chance.

Start protecting your health plan against upcoding for sepsis and other high severity conditions by requesting an appointment at info@medreview.us.

Read our recent blog post on sepsis upcoding here.

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