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- Case studies from mature analytics programs suggest a pragmatic approach.
- Quick wins help achieve buy-in for increased investment in health analytic programs.
- Early adopters are achieving almost immediate benefits that:
 - Reduce revenue leakage,
 - Identify and reduce healthcare fraud,
 - Increate resource utilization efficiency,
 - Identify and manage readmission risks.

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Though many organizations' analytics projects are CIO-driven, the partners have seen more success when organizations "start in the middle" with a "real tangible business problem."

- 2011 SLOAN MIT MANAGEMENT REVIEW

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Case Study: Community Health Systems

Community Health Services (formerly Health Management Associates) in Florida operates 71 healthcare organizations across 15 states with \$6B in annual net revenue.

- ► 2009 developed analytics model that identified billing outliers.
- Quickly resulted in the prevention of nearly \$1M of revenue leakage per month.
- ► Reduced reliance on external resources saving an additional service cost of \$3-5M per year.

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\$1 M SAVINGS IN MONTHLY REVENUE LEAKAGE



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Analytics for Financial Improvement



- ► Early adopters leverage existing data to solve specific business issues.
- ► Tools are developed to locate gaps, predict errors and correct issues.
- ► Can identify problems long before retrospective reporting could identify the issue.
- ► Early adopters in revenue cycle are reporting almost immediate results with:
- Reduction in revenue leakage,
- Incorrect or incomplete billing,
- Overall cost of care,
- Greater transparency,
- Increased accountability.

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Case Study: MetroHealth

MetroHealth, a health system based in Cleveland with \$680 million in annual net patient revenue, developed a predictive model to examine trends and collection patterns and generate monthly revenue projections.



- ▶ The tool serves three analytic purposes:
 - 1. Real-time monitoring of daily input/adjustments to validate financial entries,
 - Summary-level revenue reporting that compares projected revenue to budget forecasts, and
- Captures missing professional billing by cross-referencing clinician charting to coded billing entries.
- ▶ Resulted in 5.2% increase in inpatient professional charge capture per patient day between 2010 and 2012.
- Reduction in revenue leakage attributed directly to the use of the analytic model and tools.

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Analytics for Fraud Reduction

- As fraudulent billing or claims detection is very difficult to identify, most fraud detection is conducted through manual sampling after the billing is complete.
- Some examples of healthcare fraud include:
 - Fraudulent billing or overbilling,
 - Performing unnecessary or up-coded procedures,
 - Fraudulent use of health cards/insurance

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The National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association (NHCAA) estimates conservatively that 3 percent of all healthcare spending—or \$68 billion annually—is lost to fraud."

- THE BIG DATA HUB (2012)

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Analytics for Operational Efficiency

- Early adopters have also targeted organizational improvements in the area of resource utilization and planning:
 - HMA identified 3-8 % Emergency Department nurse overstaffing,
 - HMA modified staffing to improve patient throughput,
 - MHS increased efficiencies in outpatient services.
- Analytics have also helped early adopters improve operational effectiveness by reducing hospital readmissions.



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Case Study: Health.mil (Military Health System)

The US Military Health System (MHS) operates 59 military hospitals and more than 600 medical, dental, and behavioral health facilities worldwide. MSH uses big data analytics to reduce fraudulent claims.

- ▶ Manages high volume of data from multiple sources:
 - More than 24 highly secure information systems, and over 1 billion healthcare records annually
- ▶ Impacts of analytics implementation:
 - Cost reduction,
 - Early detection of potential health issues, and
 - Improved care processes/clinical outcomes.
- ► Saved \$809M in FY2011 by realigning outpatient services reimbursements.
- ▶ Identified \$100M in fraudulent claims.
- ▶ Saved \$12 M per year in duplicate billing.
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\$100 M IDENTIFIED IN FRAUDULENT CLAIMS



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Case Study: NHS Choices

Scottish bioinformatics firm Aridhia is working with the United Kingdom's National Health System to reduce readmissions

- Uses near real-time data from primary care physician's notes, imaging data, demographic data, social welfare data, lab work and other NHS databases
- Compiles large volumes to determine readmission triggers.
- Model resulted in a 40% reduction in diabeticrelated amputations and blindness for the participating institutions.

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