Taming Complex RAC Risk Areas Using Root Cause Analysis and Scorecards

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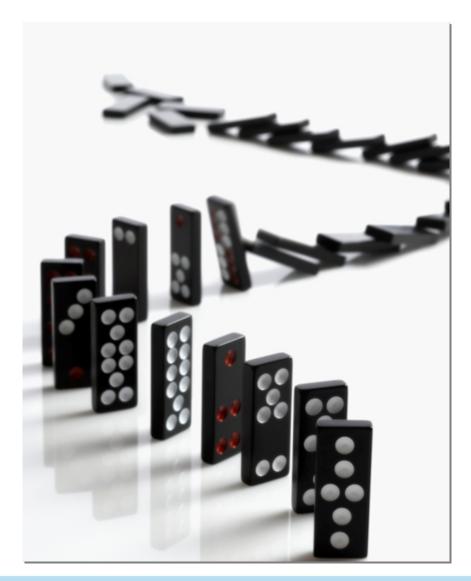


Agenda

- Welcome/Introductions
- Overview of RAC Scorecard
- Understanding Risk Areas
 - Automated vs. Complex
 - Automated Denial Sources
 - Complex Denial Sources
 - Automated Denial Reasons
 - Complex Denial Reasons
 - Average Time Responding



Adjusting to the New RAC Climate





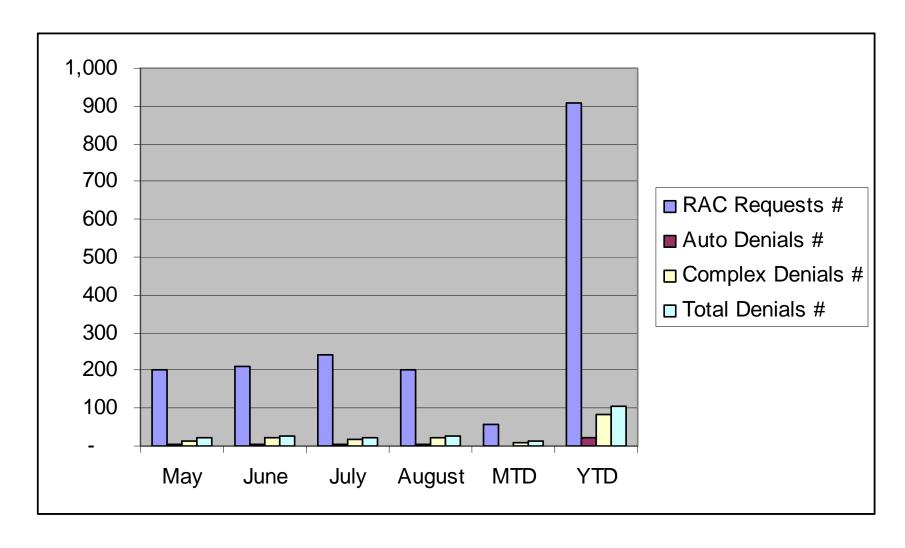
RAC Scorecards

General Hospital Aug-10

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		May	June	July	August		MTD	YTD	Y	TD Average
RAC Requests	#	200	210	240	201		55	906		213
	\$	\$ 234,560.00	\$ 358,760.00	\$ 776,580.00	\$ 347,650.00	\$	159,870.00	\$ 1,877,420.00	\$	429,387.50
Auto Denials	#	5	6	3	5		2	21		5
	\$	\$ 6,587.00	\$ 8,790.00	\$ 35,789.00	\$ 74,566.00	\$	25,890.00	\$ 151,622.00	\$	31,433
Complex Denials	#	15	21	17	22		10	85		19
	\$	\$ 75,349	\$ 100,890	\$ 87,666	\$ 76,009	\$	46,533	\$ 386,447.00	\$	84,979
Total Denials	#	20	27	20	27		12	106		24
	\$	\$ 81,936	\$ 109,680	\$ 123,455	\$ 150,575	\$	72,423	\$ 538,069.00	\$	116,412
% Auto	#	25%	22%	15%	19%		17%	20%		20%
	\$	8%	8%	29%	50%		36%	80%		24%
% Complex	#	75%	78%	85%	81%		83%	80%		80%
	\$	92%	92%	71%	50%		64%	72%		76%

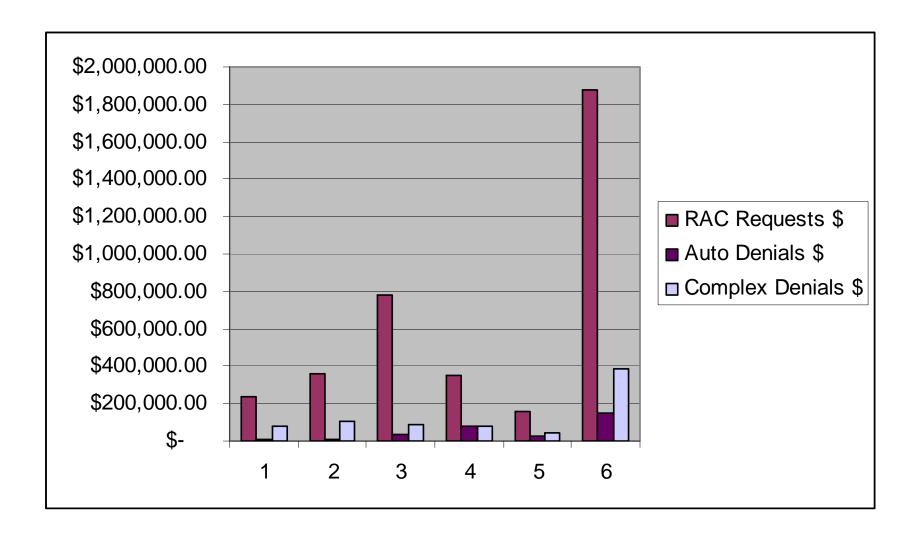


Automated vs. Complex Volume





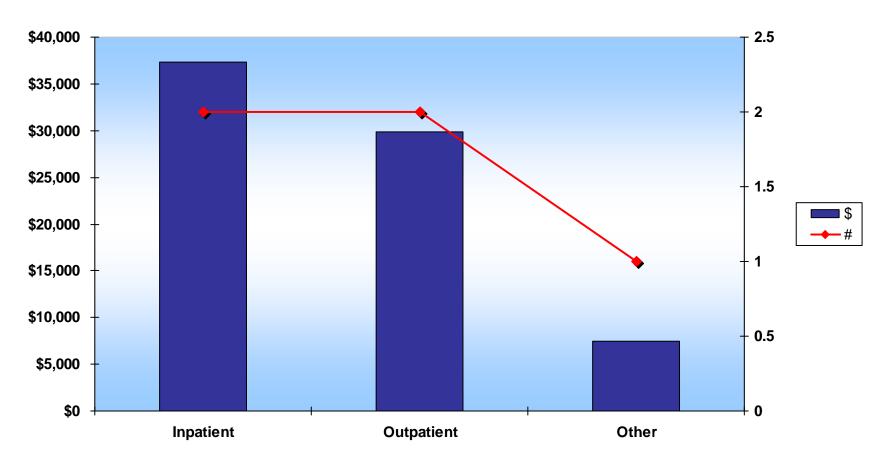
Automated vs. Complex Dollars





Automated Denial Sources

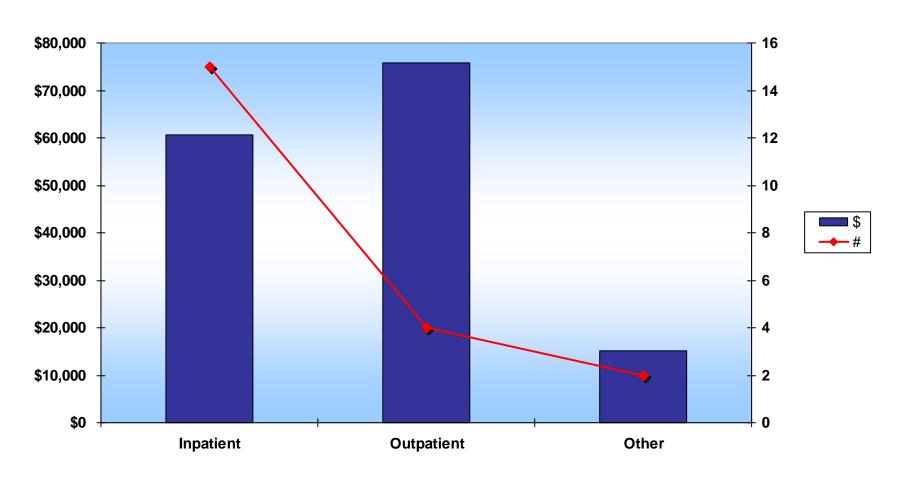






Automated Denial Sources

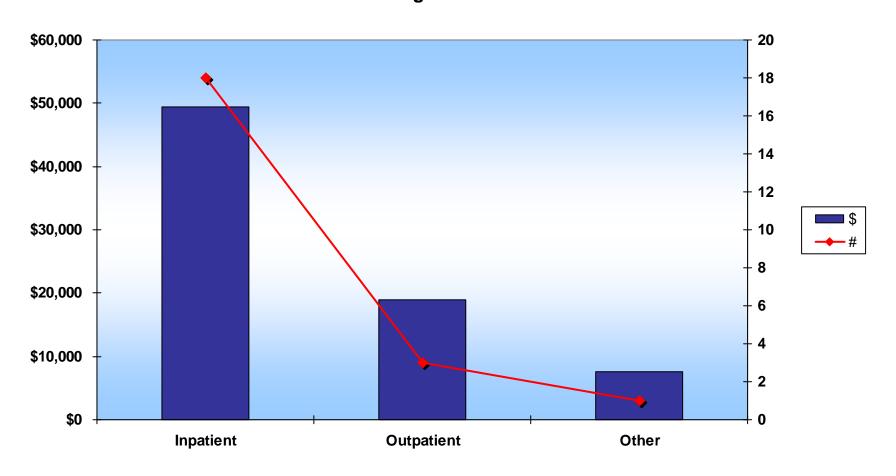






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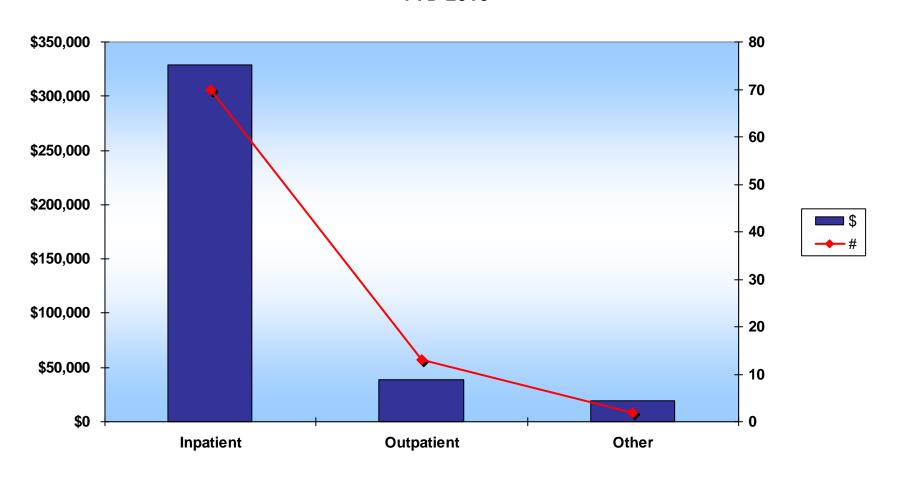
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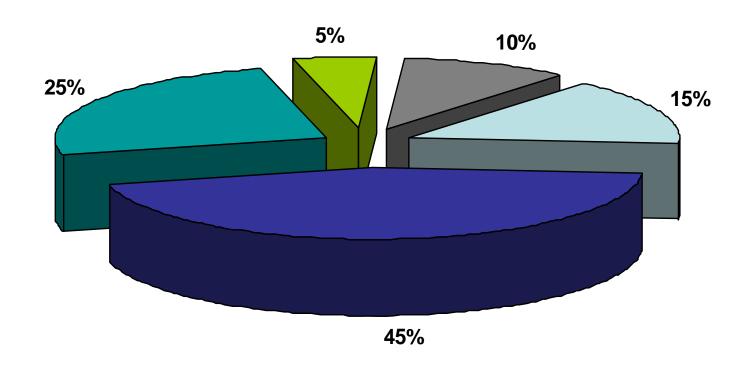
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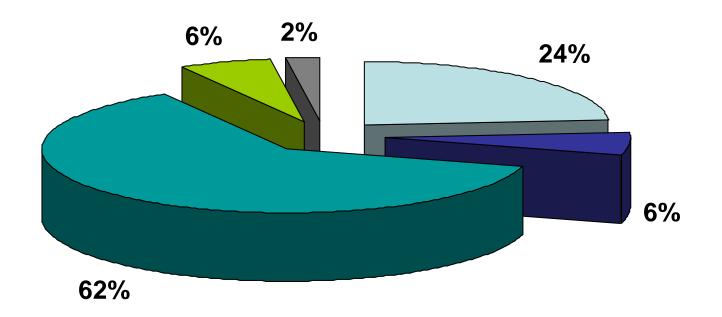
Automated Denial Reasons



Outpatient Billing
Inpatient Coding
Duplicate Payment
Outpatient Coding
Other



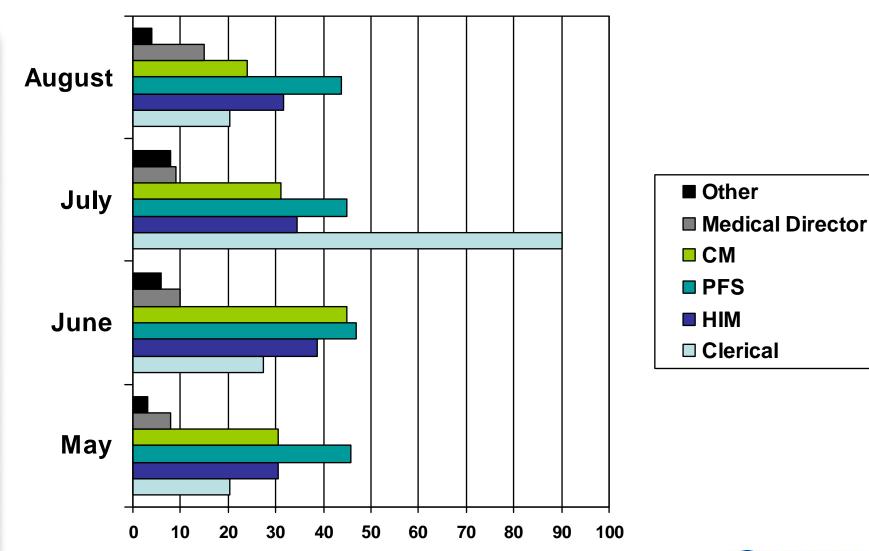
Complex Denial Reasons



- **Incorrect DRG**
- **Incorrect APC**
- **Insufficient Documentation**
- **Other Medical Necessity**
- **■** Other



Average Time Responding





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