

# The 2026 risk adjustment engine: Aligning clinical and coding teams to drive accuracy & reduce burden

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**What's the biggest challenge  
limiting your risk adjustment  
performance today?**



**How aware is your organization of risk adjustment and its implications on benchmarking?**

# Importance of accurate risk documentation

## Key takeaways

### Challenge and trend

- Performance in this example has remained below the baseline of each performance year, suggesting underrepresentation of patient acuity.

### Performance implications

- As a result, the organization will underperform in value-based agreements due to incomplete and inaccurate diagnosis documentation affecting benchmarking.



# Risk impacting savings performance

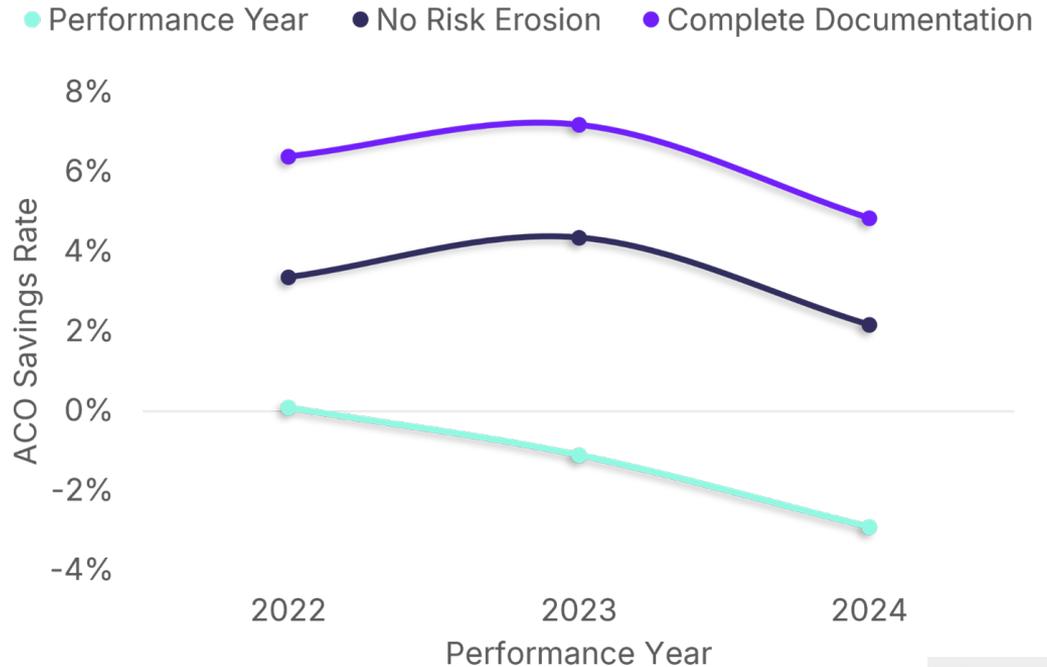
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### | Impact on savings

- Our example group has felt the effects on rising utilization and their patient population growing in complexity – and results followed.

### | Performance implications

- When risk adjustment reflects true patient complexity, performance rises above the benchmark threshold,



Example

# Financial impact of risk documentation

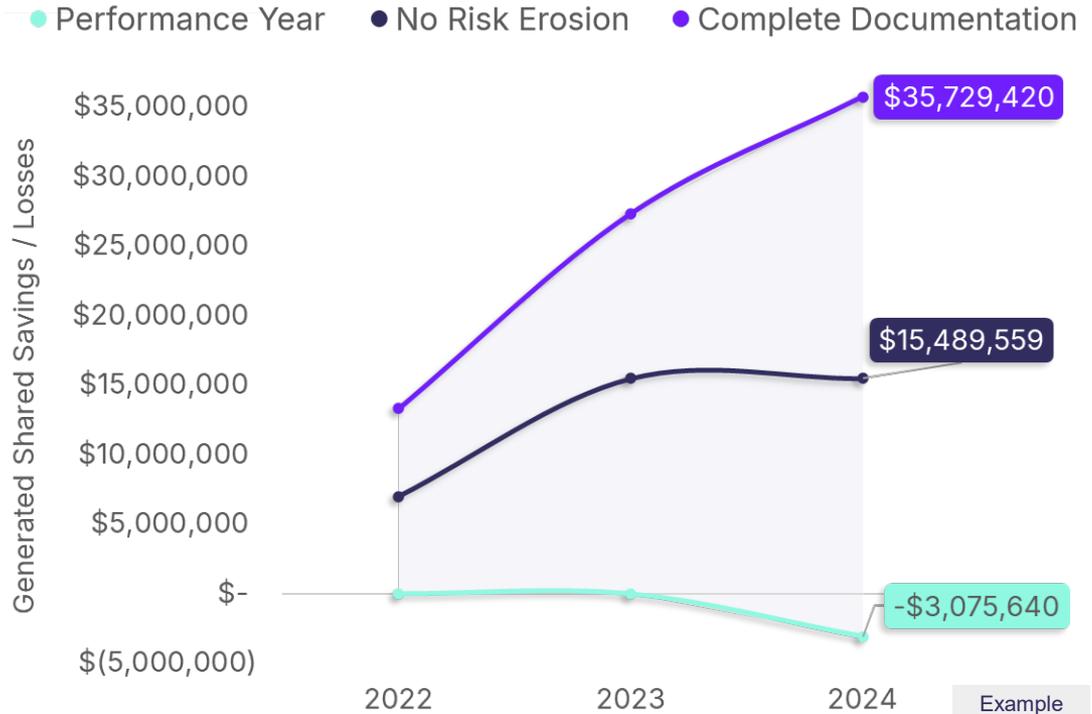
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### Results with risk erosion

- The first two performance years resulted in losses, and Year 3 losses were large enough to trigger financial downside.

### Results without risk erosion

- With having increased the recognized performance vs benchmark – our organization now recognizes generated savings.





**How would you describe your coding team's openness to using AI?**





## Q&A Session

**Thank You!**