## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION: COMBATING MISCONCEPTIONS

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT LOWER COSTS

 According to the Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH), prior authorization is the most expensive manual administrative transaction in healthcare. Prior authorizations are expensive and each transaction costs the healthcare industry:





**PER CLINICIAN** 

## Prior authorization costs clinicians and insurance plans \$1.8 BILLION ANNUALLY

 In a study done on patients with Type 2 Diabetes, the patients who requested medication but were denied access had nearly \$2,000 higher in plan-paid health care costs, when compared to those patients who requested the same medication and were granted approval.<sup>2</sup>

