



Healthcare Costs continue to rise at levels far exceeding overall levels of inflation, and continue to be a drain of financial resources for many companies in the United States today. Many health benefit managers feel nearly powerless to address these spiraling costs because they do not have the basic tools to measure and understand the component parts of healthcare costs.

The MWM Consulting Group **Healthcare Report Card** provides a fundamental step in the process of managing and controlling where employers and their employees are spending their healthcare dollars. Using claim records easily supplied in raw form by the client or their claims administrator, and created through a process of **MWM Healthcare Data Mining**, the **MWM Healthcare Report Card** provides meaningful data summaries of the basic components of healthcare costs.

The **MWM Healthcare Report Card** examines historic costs

- By Hospital/Physician Network
- By Hospital
- By Payer
- By Area

for the components of

- Hospital Inpatient
- Outpatient Surgery
- Emergency Room
- Outpatient Radiology
- Physician Services - All
- Pharmacy

and compares the results to regionally and demographically adjusted **MWM Benchmarks**. The collection and review of this data, through the **Healthcare Report Card**, along with the comparison of results to the **MWM Benchmarks**, provides a starting point for developing strategies for controlling healthcare costs.

