

# The TRUE COST of PAPER

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The healthcare industry loses

**~\$20B**  
ANNUALLY

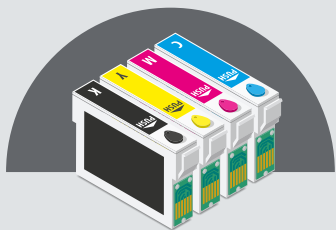
from manual processes—including those on paper (print or fax).



## How much is paper costing YOU?



Just for one day, stack up everything that is printed in your office—**don't process it.**



**How many pages and how much ink?**

Cartridge price/  
Page yield  
+ Paper cost  
= Cost Per Page\*



**How much postage and how many envelopes?**

The cost to send oversized and flat-rate envelopes increases during the winter holiday season.



**How will you track these once they are faxed or mailed?**

Manual claim status inquiries are some of the most costly transactions in healthcare, wasting \$3.1B annually.\*



**How much time will it take to manage all this tomorrow?**

Eliminating manual inquiries alone could save you 22 minutes each.\*

### Do you like what you see?

Then congratulations, you get an

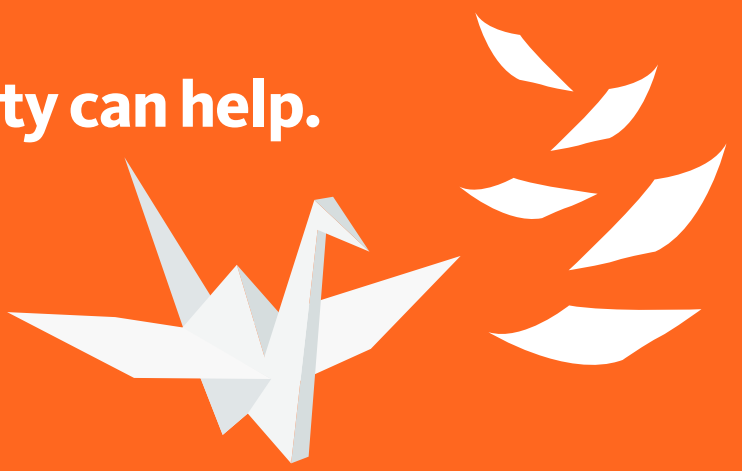


**But don't forget the less tangible costs of paper transactions**, like environmental impact, risk of PHI exposure, and staff dissatisfaction.

**100%** of healthcare finance leaders report revenue cycle workforce gaps.\* **Automation is key to reducing burnout, improving morale, and facilitating work-from-home flexibility.**

If you're ready to bypass paper, **Availity can help.**

**Availity Essentials Pro** offers a suite of revenue cycle solutions that help you **tame paper** and get back in control.



**1,200**  
HOURS SAVED  
OF REWORK IN JUST  
**THREE MONTHS**

**Example:** A large regional health system added electronic attachments up front—before claim submission—to reduce attachment-related denials by **88%**. That saved **1,200 hours of rework** in just **three months!**



**80%**  
DECREASE  
IN PAPER  
VOLUMES

**Example: Drop-to-Paper for Secondary Claims**  
A renowned academic medical system added just one product from the suite and **decreased in-house paper volumes by 80%**—freeing up 1-3 hours of staff time per day in the process.

What would you do with

**5-15**

**EXTRA HOURS** in a week?



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\*Sources: 2021 CAQH Index, Toner Buzz, RevCycleIntelligence