

Everest Group Al-deas to Action: Operationalizing Generative Al in Healthcare Payer

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Introduction

Generative AI has rapidly emerged as a transformative force, reshaping the healthcare payer industry and establishing itself as a critical driver for innovation. With the ability to optimize key functions such as claims processing, member engagement, and care management, Generative AI has shown the potential to enhance operational efficiency, streamline workflows, and significantly improve outcomes for both payers and members.

However, adopting generative AI comes with its own challenges, such as concerns about data privacy, model accuracy, training resource demands, and ethical implications. To address these issues, providers are leveraging advanced technologies such as encryption, anonymization, and federated learning for secure data handling. Continuous validation processes and feedback loops are improving AI reliability, while modular architectures and scalable cloud infrastructures provide the flexibility required for smooth integration and deployment.

As generative AI evolves into a valuable driver for industry innovation, providers are slowly moving beyond experimental pilot projects to full-scale implementations.

In the report, we focus on:

- The value promise of generative AI across different segments of the healthcare payer value chain
- Generative AI market adoption in healthcare payer
- Provider profiles

Scope of this report

Geography: North America

Industry: healthcare payer

Services: generative Al

Provider profiles: 13 leading healthcare

payer providers

Scope of the research



Product development

Plan development

Channel management (agent/broker network)



Member engagement

Enrollment and eligibility

Handling of endorsements and renewals

Risk identification and assessment

Records management and HIX support

Billing and collections



Network management

Provider data management

Provider credentialing and recredentialing

Contract management and network strategy

Provider outreach



Care management

Case and disease management

Utilization management

Population data management and analytics

Nurse triage

Remote patient monitoring



Claims management

Claims intake

Benefits administration

Claims adjudication

Claims disbursement

Claims litigation; recovery/subrogation

Payment Integrity



Risk & compliance

Risk adjustment - Medical Record Retrieval (MRR)

Risk adjustment coding

HEDIS and Star rating support

Internal / external reporting

Compliance management support



Generative Al

The term "generative AI" (Gen AI) describes a branch of artificial intelligence that concentrates on producing new knowledge, data, or content by using patterns discovered in previously collected data. It creates text, photos, music, and other material using cutting-edge machine learning models, especially deep learning approaches.



For this report, Everest Group restricted itself to a carefully chosen provider ecosystem

Broad category of providers



Healthcare specialists



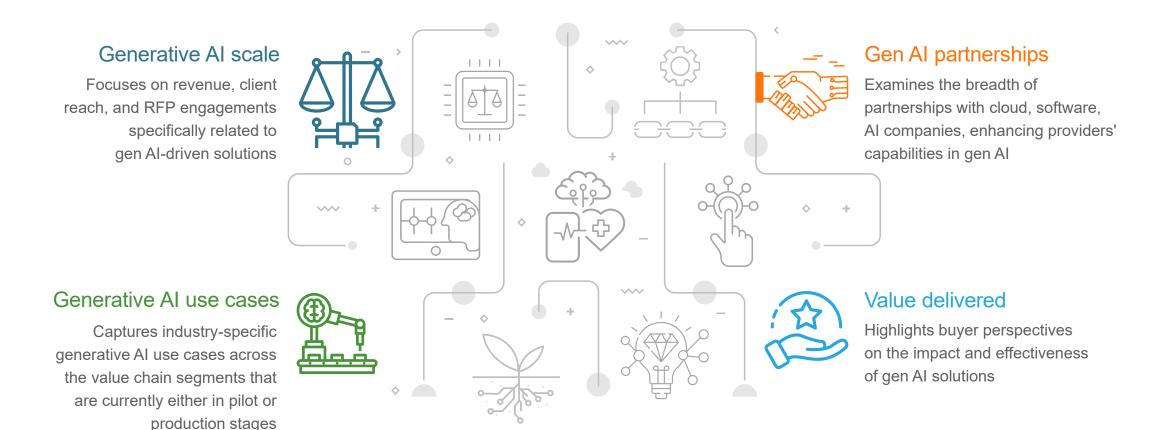
Filtration criteria

- Providers selected for this report have been profiled in **Everest Group's Healthcare Payer Operations PEAK Matrix®** Assessment 2023
- Providers included in this report must either have healthcare payer revenues exceeding US\$100 million in 2023 or achieve a Harvey score of above 5 in Innovation and Investment in the PEAK Matrix analysis
- Providers profiled in this report have extensive coverage across the healthcare payer value chain, with each provider maintaining dedicated FTEs in at least five of the primary value chain segments

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¹ Assessment of Accenture is based on limited inputs from the provider

Generative AI capabilities of the provider ecosystem are assessed on specific parameters



Based on the evaluation parameters, the providers are classified as Challengers, Fast-followers, and Front-runners



Challengers

Providers striving to close the gap with the Fast-followers

Fast-followers

Providers that exceed market maturity (38th percentile) but trail just behind the Front-runners

Front-runners

Providers ahead of the Fast-followers and rank in the top 35th percentile of the profiled firms

Everest Group's generative AI healthcare payer market adoption assessment

Consolidated generative Al adoption maturity of select providers 38th percentile **Exploration** and Strategic Integration and Foundation Building Industry Leadership

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Note: Providers are arranged in alphabetical order. Linear representation of market adoption is not as per scale.



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Gen Al adoption maturity and top use cases



[NOT EXHAUSTIVE]

In-house/M/8.A/

Everest Group view: Wipro, with over US\$1 billion investment in gen Al, leverages its Al360 ecosystem to integrate gen Al across platforms and tools, focusing on scalable Rol-driven use cases, ethical Al practices, and industry partnerships. It has multiple production stage use cases spanning the value chain, and clients highlighted its gen Al domain and deployment speed as strengths.

Technology used

Key healthcare payer operations use cases in generative Al

Use case	Description	functions	Stage	(model, algorithms, etc.)	Partnership/Other
Claims Adjudication Al Suite (Touchless)	Auto-processing of claim fallouts from the auto adjudicator – prioritized pends, routes and edits. The solution is supplemented with interest predictor, research assistive tools, Rework GUI, intelligent inventory classifier and analytics-based error propensity models	Claims management	Production	Python, Flask, Mongo DB, XGBoost, NLP, OCR (Tesseract)	In-house
Gen Al-Assisted New Plan Creation (GURU)	Automation platform that simplifies the configuration of new benefit plans by allowing the input of plan parameters such as premiums and deductibles	Product development	Production	WEGA	In-house
Payment integrity Al Suite (Point Solutions)	Includes prior authorizations with Al-assisted reviews and integrity checks, concept ClaimPilot for gen Al-powered audits to identify payment gaps, a self-monitoring portal for transparent provider coding education, and Al-ML-based propensity models to address FWA leakages	Claims management	Production	Angular, Python, AIML (Random Forest, SVR, XGBoost), UX, MongoDB	In-house
Medical and Rx Ontology	Gen Al solution using medical ontology and NLP to classify medical note data based on key decision parameters	Care management	Production	Azure, Gen Al, Open Al	In-house
Gen Al-assisted prior authorization	Automated systems evaluate requests against predefined clinical guidelines, ensuring routine approvals happen instantly. For more complex cases, automation flags them for human review, saving time, and reducing bottlenecks	Care management	Production	Azure, Gen Al, Open Al	Partnership
HCC Coding AI / ML Suite	Modules include Document Processing, Rules Engine, Analytics, Training Engine, User Management, Program Management; can index documents, scrap the demographic details, DOS and patient details, assign the appropriate ICD code and pass it for audit	Risk and Compliance	Production	Multiple Technologies, Open Al	Partnership

Value chain

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Overview and capabilities

Company overview

Wipro is a global information technology, consulting, and business process services company that offers cognitive computing, hyper-automation, robotics, cloud, analytics, and emerging technologies to help clients adapt to the digital world. With over 240,000 employees, the company serves clients across six continents.

Headquarters: Bangalore, India Website: www.wipro.com

Healthcare payer generative AI vision and strategy

Wipro is rapidly moving ahead in the gen Al space, investing US\$1.5 billion in 2023 to enhance its Al capabilities. Its ai360 ecosystem aims to embed gen Al into every client solution. With 55,000 gen Altrained specialists and a workforce of 200,000 trained in Al fundamentals, Wipro drives an Al-first, ethical culture.

Wipro's core principles emphasize co-innovation with partners, developing point solutions for clients, empowering employees with an Al culture, and ensuring responsible Al use for safe and explainable results. The company's vision includes identifying high-Rol Al use cases and building solutions that interact with various touchpoints across the payer value chain to deliver sustainable and high-value Al solutions. Wipro aims to develop a modular tech stack, enforce Al-specific data governance, and create specialized Agentic AI models with safeguards.

Strategic collaborations with start-ups, academic institutions, and hyperscalers accelerate gen Al adoption while ensuring data security. Wipro's roadmap includes advanced AI agents, multimodal AI, quantum computing, and life cycle management services such as synthetic data and model training.

Key leaders

- · Rishad Premji, Executive Chairman
- · Aparna C. Iyer, Chief Financial Officer
- Srini Pallia, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director
- Sanjeev Jain, Chief Operating Officer

Services offered in generative AI in healthcare payer

- Consulting and advisory services
- Gen Al-powered customer interactions
- Technology Services gen Al platforms and implementation

Key partnerships for generative AI in healthcare payer

- NVIDIA
- IBM
- Kognitos
- Intel & AMD
- Pypestream
- Saarthi.ai
- Databricks

- Azure
- ServiceNow
- GCP
- Pega
- Avammo
- Mede/Analytics
- Nice

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