CHAI Applied Model Card

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Summary: Prior Authorization (PA) Small Language Model (SLM) is designed to assist SMEs while adjudicating/ submitting a PA request. The model is designed to re-imagine the PA decision-making process and make it quicker and more transparent. It incorporates human-in-the-loop feedback mechanisms from SMEs for continuous improvement and accuracy enhancement.

Uses and Directions:

Intended use and workflow:

- The solution is intended to augment payer PA back-office operations teams in getting their work done faster or in reducing PA denials for providers. The SLM automatically analyzes submitted documents and highlights specific sections containing relevant evidence, eliminating the need to read through all pages of documentation. This targeted approach substantially reduces review time and administrative burden.
- Additionally, the system provides valuable predictive capabilities at the point of submission, alerting submitting physicians about the probability of request approval
- The solution addresses PA requests by analyzing structured and unstructured data and supporting documentation

Primary intended users:

- Healthcare professionals involved in prior authorization processes
- Users should have familiarity with prior authorization procedures, patient documentation and clinical guidelines such as Milliman, InterQual etc.
- How to use: Our proprietary SLM model comes ready to deploy out-of-the-box, delivering immediate value with minimal setup. For organizations seeking a personalized touch, users can fine-tune the model on their data while maintaining

complete data privacy and ownership. Whether you choose the base model, a custom-tuned version, or the full Digital Worker solution, everything is accessible through secure API endpoints in our HIPAA-compliant Penguin platform.

- Targeted patient population: General patient population requiring PA for healthcare services. No specific exclusion criteria based on demographic factors
- Cautioned out-of-scope settings and use cases: Not intended for decision-making without human review and should not be used as the sole basis for prior authorization decisions. Also, any changes in medical guidelines and criteria has to be updated on a regular basis

Keywords: None

Warnings

- Known risks and limitations:
 - Accuracy of the model improves with usage
 - Places high weightage to human input during RLHF
 - Performance dependent on quality of OCR of input clinical notes
 - May not capture rare or unusual clinical scenarios
- Known biases or ethical considerations: Potential data biases inherited from training data
- Clinical risk level: Low

Trust Ingredients

Al System Facts:

Outcome(s) and output(s):

Outcomes:

- Identify medical evidence according to guidelines to approve or deny a PA request
- Reduces admin burden by bringing down the time to review documents
- Highlight missing information at the point of submission to reduce PA denials

Outputs:

- Decision such as Approve, Deny & pending state
- Explainability Why the request is approved or denied
- Traceability of the decision back to the submitted documentation
- Model type: GPT model; Sentence transformers; Re-ranking models; Semantic chunking algorithms
- Foundation models used in application: Llama3
- Input data source: Data related to real world Prior Authorizations was used to train the model
- Output/Input data type: Clinical notes and documentation, delivered as Unstructured and Structured Data
- Development data characterization:
 - Data related to real world Prior Authorizations was used to train the model
 - Supplementary synthetic data was generated and validated by SMEs

• Bias mitigation approaches:

- Input data assessment
- PII redaction to reduce the impact of certain demographics on model output
- Data governance by having input data reviewers from business, compliance & tech teams
- Mitigating input data bias by identifying rows/ annotations that are not congruent (to the Prior Authorization task)
- Measurement of model bias on validation datasets
- Medical Director review of data & model to ensure clinical appropriateness
- Leveling data issues with under-represented demographics
- Continuous monitoring of model accuracy on different demographics on real-world production data

Ongoing Maintenance:

- Continuous feedback collection from SMEs to implement RLHF
- Regular model fine-tuning based on collected feedback
- Performance monitoring to measure human machine congruence
- Metrics to measure human engagement within the workflow
- Training of the scenarios/ broad themes where the model is failing

• Security and compliance environment practices or accreditations:

- **Accreditation**: HIPAA compliance, SOC-2 compliance, Hi-Trust compliance
- Security and Compliance Practices:
 - 1. Robust Data Protection mechanism including data encryption at rest and in transit using industry-standard protocols.
 - 2. Multi-tenant architecture is crucial for proper client data segregation, supplemented by strict access controls and identity management.
 - 3. Network security should implement segmentation, zero-trust architecture, and multiple security layers including VPNs, firewalls, and intrusion detection systems.

• Transparency, Intelligibility, and Accountability mechanisms:

- Human-in-the-loop review process
- Documented feedback collection and incorporation
- Model outputs not just the decision but also the reason (supporting evidence within the document) for the decision

Transparency Information:

- Funding source of the technical implementation: Penguin Al
- 3rd Party Information: NA
- Stakeholders consulted during design of intervention (e.g. patients, providers): Medical Director, Nurses

Key Metrics

	Usefulness, Usab	Usefulness, Usability, and Efficacy		Fairness and Equity		Safety and Reliability	
	Goal of metric: To evaluate the model's practical effectiveness in Prior Authorization processing through comprehensive assessment of data quality, model performance, and task-specific capabilities.		Goal of metric: To ensure equitable model performance across diverse demographic groups, medical conditions, and healthcare scenarios while maintaining consistent accuracy and fairness.		Goal of metric: To verify model safety, reliability, and compliance with healthcare standards while ensuring consistent and appropriate outputs across all operational conditions		
	Result: Sensitivity of 92.13% and specificity of 91.17%	Interpretation: Following metrics are measured:	Result: Overall Category Score: 89%	Interpretation: Bias Mitigation Score: The degree to which	Result: Overall Category Score: 99%	Interpretation: Safety Compliance Rate: The	

Data	Data	Data	the distribution	Data	proportion of
Completeness: 100% Unique Record Rate: 100% Task Relevancy: 100% Data Efficacy: 80%	Completeness: The proportion of data points with complete values across all fields. Unique Record Rate: The proportion of records that are unique in the dataset. Task Relevancy: The degree to which the input data aligns with the specific task requirement. Data Efficacy: The degree to which output (response) data contains information present in or relevant to the input (prompt) data.	Governance Metrics: Bias Mitigation Score: 99% Criteria Fulfillmen t Rate: 99% Model Evaluation Metrics: Demograp hic Parity: 87%	of demographic attributes in the dataset aligns with the target distribution Criteria Fulfillment Rate: Users would provide the list of criteria against which data should be evaluated to check whether it satisfies all conditions	Governance Metrics:	inputs in the training data that are deemed safe and appropriate
Test Type: • Question accuracy rate • Top-N Context relevance		Test Type: Comprehensive fairness assessment including: Bias detection and measurement Cross-demographic performance analysis Multi-stakeholder equity evaluation Fairness criteria compliance testing		Test Type: Safety assessment protocol: Model safety testing: Prompt injection Document engineering Reliability testing: Reproducibility Error handling validation System reliability testing Performance stability assessment Security penetration testing	
requests • Synthetic education boundary c	rior Authorization	Testing Data Description: Specialized dataset incorporating: • Demographically diverse patient populations • Multiple insurance types and plans		Testing Data Description: Comprehensive safety test suite including: • Prompt injection datasets • LLM generated engineered documents	

- Diverse medical specialty cases
- Real-world denial/approval patterns
- Out-of-scope query samples
- Various healthcare provider settings
- Different geographic regions
- Range of medical conditions
- Protected health information scenarios
- Rare medical conditions
- Complex approval scenarios involving logical/ numeric reasoning
- System stress test cases
- Security vulnerability tests

Validation Process and Justification: Three-stage validation process:

- Automated testing against ground truth
- Clinical expert review of outputs
- Integration testing in sandbox environments

Validation Process and Justification:

- Statistical fairness testing
- Demographic representation analysis
- Performance equity verification
- Regular bias monitoring and reporting
- Independent fairness audits
- Stakeholder feedback integration

Validation Process and Justification: Multi-layer safety validation:

- Automated safety checks
- Compliance audit
- Security assessment
- Continuous monitoring system
- Incident response testing
- Regular compliance verification

Resources

- **Evalation References:** Evaluation report or publication, if available: No publication evaluation metrics are shared above
- Clinical Trial: Clinical trial report or publication, if available: N/A
- Peer Reviewed Publication(s): Abstracts, papers, and peer reviewed publication(s): N/A
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- Patient consent or disclosure required or suggested: Patient informed consent or disclosure:
 N/A

References

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