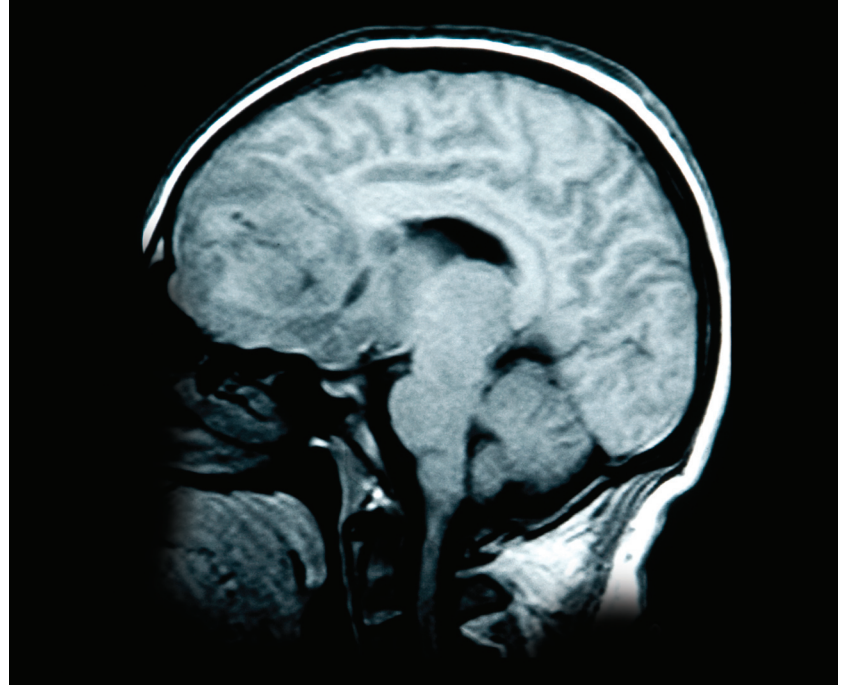


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Two heads are better than one, unless you're trying to cut imaging costs.

At Catholic Healthcare West, we know that reform is about finding solutions both big and small, so we're committed to searching for efficiencies of all kinds that can translate into savings—and in turn accessibility—for our patients. For instance, medical imaging—from X-rays to MRIs to ultrasounds—is very expensive. Worse, it's not easy for physicians in different offices to share images in a fast, efficient way, so specialists treating the same patient will often order their own images rather than wait for perfectly suitable originals to arrive from another locale. But at some of our hospitals, we're now utilizing a system called DiCOM grid™ that allows doctors to quickly and easily share the same images by sending them securely over the Web. Lowering costs without sacrificing quality is the key to improving our country's health care system. At Catholic Healthcare West, we're committed to putting our heads together to advance that cause.

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