



COST REPORTS AND OTHER MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT SERVICES

Understanding that every healthcare organization is unique, the experienced healthcare consultants at Dixon Hughes take the time to get to know our clients in order to understand the individual needs and reimbursement issues each one faces. We can then offer reimbursement solutions customized to each client. Our consultants rely on a thorough understanding of reimbursement principles, a concentrated knowledge of various reimbursement systems, and insight into Medicare and Medicaid guidelines and their ramifications.

We work closely with clients to identify reimbursement opportunities within the regulations to help ensure a more appropriate link between cost of care, quality and reimbursement. Offering such services as interim analysis, benchmarking, profitability comparatives, long-range planning and financial projections, our consultants can provide appropriate advice to help facilities make effective financial decisions.

Quarterly on-site consultations help clients stay up-to-date on industry changes and trends. These meetings give us an opportunity to review payments and discuss cost report preparation, reimbursement review services, audits and appeals—enabling clients to take advantage of available opportunities while complying with program regulations.



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Preparing Cost Reports

Quality, flexibility and efficiencies drive our approach to cost report compilations. Embracing change, employing technology, and relying on effective and frequent communication, we serve our clients' needs throughout the year. Our experienced reimbursement service team works closely with client staff to prepare Medicare and Medicaid reports in a timely manner.

*Dixon Hughes’
Additional Services*

- *Dashboard Reporting and Benchmarking*
- *Revenue Cycle Management*
- *Technology Planning, Solutions and Implementation*
- *Personal Financial Services for Hospital Executives*

*The Service You Need—
The Way You Need It.*

As the largest Southeast-based CPA firm, we combine deep industry experience, comprehensive accounting and advisory services, and a strong commitment to personal service. Members located throughout the region direct our resources to your best advantage. In short, we can give you the service you need, the way you need it.

Other Reimbursement Services from Dixon Hughes

Our professionals also provide a number of other services to help our healthcare clients with reimbursement issues, including:

- Medicare Disproportionate Share Payment Analysis—This Dixon Hughes “add-on” service is available to hospitals that serve high numbers of Medicaid patients and low-income Medicare beneficiaries. Our approach helps identify *additional* eligible days that can be legitimately claimed by the hospital for the DSH calculation—usually resulting in increased reimbursement for the hospital.
- End-Stage Renal Dialysis Payment Analysis—Our reimbursement professionals work closely with clients assessing Medicare discharges and medical records in order to document and qualify hospitals for additional reimbursement based on Medicare regulations.
- Medicare Bad Debt Consulting—By not capturing all bad debt incurred when a beneficiary fails to pay deductible and co-insurance amounts, a hospital can miss out on additional reimbursement. Our professionals know how to help our clients ensure that all allowable amounts are captured. We can also provide guidance with the Medicare bad debt regulations to avoid disallowance of amounts claimed.
- Additional Reimbursement Services—Dixon Hughes also offers a number of other services designed to help improve the bottom line for our clients, including:
 - Wage Index Reviews and Geographic Reclassifications
 - Organ Transplantation and Nursing School/Health Education Payment Analysis
 - Indirect and Direct Medical Education Reimbursement Assistance

Other Areas of Focus

Dixon Hughes also offers an experienced staff devoted to serving a variety of facilities, including Critical Access Hospitals, Home Health/Hospice Agencies, Rural Health Clinics and Skilled Nursing Facilities, as well as Rehabilitation and Psychiatric services.

For more information:

To learn more about our reimbursement services, visit our web site at www.dixon-hughes.com/healthcare or call us toll-free at 1.877.424.6324.