

Post ICD-10 Coding Inaccuracy

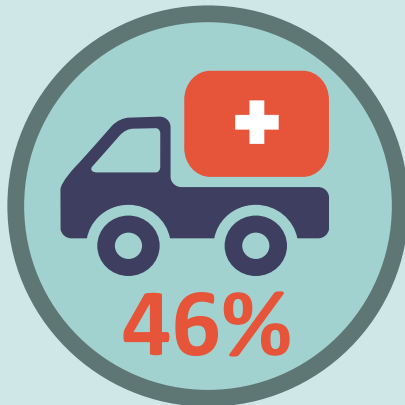
Its Cost and What To Do About It

Average Accuracy Scores

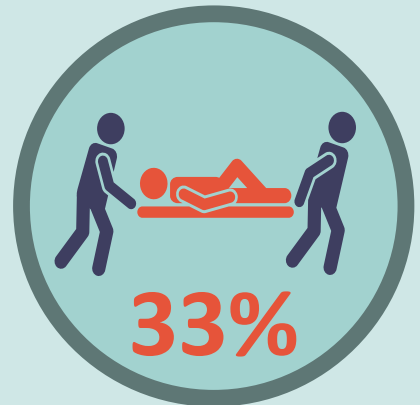
A recent nationwide ICD-10 coder contest revealed poor coding accuracy scores.



Inpatient



Ambulatory



Emergency Department

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Lower-than-expected accuracy results in potential lost revenue

Average loss due to DRG inaccuracy **\$1,877** per inpatient case



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Organizations can't audit enough, especially with the transition to ICD-10. When managing coders, auditing to make sure the new coding guidelines are being interpreted and applied appropriately, in addition to follow-up education, is critical.

– Julia Hammerman, RHIA, CPHQ, Director of Education and Compliance, **himage** solutions inc.

Audits **improve** coding accuracy, **increase** incremental annual revenue and provide a **return** on investment.



Average Under-Coding Reduction



Incremental Annual Revenue Opportunity



Return on Investment

*Average under coding reduction of 42% for audited coders during first two months of coder performance improvement audits.

**Quantified a 1% increase in DRG accuracy equated to \$2M in incremental annual revenue.



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