



DRG Validation Advisory Committee Application for Committee Appointment

Mail to: Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota
Reimbursement Coding Coordinator
Provider Audit
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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Employer Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Position Held: _____ Number of Years in Current Position: _____

Number of Years in Coding Position: _____ Total number of Years in Health Care Industry: _____

Coding Designations/Certifications Held: _____

Desired length of term (select one): 2 years 3 years

List any training received or seminars attended within the last 3 years that would relate to DVAC:

List any committee participation or experience you have:

Why would you be a valuable member of the DRG Validation Advisory Committee?:

DRG Validation Advisory Committee

Member Position Openings

The DRG Validation Advisory Committee (DVAC) has openings for membership. This is an excellent opportunity if you are an inpatient DRG coder, nurse or other health care professional with an interest or experience in coding.

Purpose

The DVAC's purpose is to maintain an open forum to promote research and discussion of coding guidelines regarding IDC-10 coding for DRG reimbursement, the medical documentation necessary to support coding for DRG reimbursement and the proper use of discharge disposition codes. This committee promotes communication between payers and providers.

Membership

Membership has included representatives from BCBSND, Quality Health Associates of ND, Medicaid and Workforce Safety as well as large and small hospitals. Committee membership is open to payers, employees of BCBSND, participating providers, and consultants who provide support to participating providers. Member selection is based on criteria such as coding experience, current employment, credentials and continuing education.

Operating Practices

The DVAC meets at least four times per year and as necessary at the discretion of the committee. Individual DVAC members are expected to keep current regarding ICD-10-CM and PCS coding practices and DRG classifications at their own expense.

DVAC members shall, at their own expense, attend all scheduled DVAC meetings either in person or by teleconference.

DVAC provider members are expected to represent the entire provider community through agenda items brought forth to the Committee.

Agenda items are issue-specific and kept in manageable proportions. Research and presentation is assigned to members for each topic identified (e.g. Coding Clinic, UHDDS guidelines, BCBSND policy, medical criteria, etc.).

DVAC members serve two-year or three-year terms. Successful candidates may select either a two-year or three-year term. Members may serve an unlimited number of terms on re-application and re-appointment. The staggering of terms provides a consistent retention of experienced versus new members and an efficient process for continuation of work performed by this committee.

If you are interested in becoming a DVAC member please complete the application and mail to Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota, Reimbursement Coding Coordinator, Provider Audit, 4510 13th Ave S, Fargo ND 58121. Contact Deb Selland at 701-282-1879 for questions.