

# HOSPITALS

experience **insight** // *How will you achieve success?* It takes financial savvy to succeed over the long term. With approximately 590 advisors in BKD National Health Care Group, we have the depth and breadth of experience needed to help enhance the performance of your health care organization and boost your bottom line.



BKD is one of the premier health care accounting and consulting firms in the country. We've audited hospitals since the 1940s, and our health care specialization began expanding in 1965 with the creation of the Medicare program. Our deep expertise in this field can assist you with many aspects of your organization. Here's how we can help.

- Malpractice reserves
- Investment valuation
- Revenue recognition
- Internal controls
- Employee benefit plans

## SOLUTIONS FROM BKD

We provide audit and attest services, tax preparation and advisory services, financial and strategic planning, assistance with financing, reimbursement, compliance and other regulatory services.

Whether you need help managing billing issues or staying on top of changing laws and regulations, our health care teams are organized by provider-type specialization, which allows us to provide you with expertise, consistency and quality.

## AUDIT & ASSURANCE

Hospitals need auditors who understand health care operations and risk. Our auditors are trained to address specific health care risk areas, such as:

- Accounts receivable valuations
- Third-party settlements

## COST REPORTS & REIMBURSEMENT SERVICES

BKD National Health Care Group is one of the largest providers of Medicare and Medicaid cost report preparation services in the country. For the past 40 years, we have prepared thousands of cost reports for hospitals and health systems of all sizes and types, including integrated delivery and large urban health systems, rural facilities and critical access hospitals.

Preparation of annual Medicare and Medicaid cost reports is the foundation of BKD National Health Care Group's reimbursement services. We can help you keep up with changes in requirements while completing reports in a timely manner.

Our CPAs and advisors can assist with analyzing your reimbursement situation so you understand how you are being paid compared to the cost of rendering services to Medicare and Medicaid patients.

1050 CLIENTS

Experience a clear point of view with a firm that works with approximately 1,050 hospitals and health care systems and has professionals trained in the industry.

“ Catholic Healthcare Partners is an important client—that’s the clear message I get from BKD. From partner interaction to the hands-on involvement and accessibility of senior-level and other personnel, theirs is an adept team effort that works very well. They are highly responsive to our needs. I also appreciate the wide range of BKD services I can use for more complex business issues. ”

Scott D. Schitter, CPA

Corporate Director of Reimbursement & Tax Services

Catholic Health Partners

## REVENUE & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

A significant challenge for hospitals today is understanding the operational, billing and coding requirements under Medicare’s various prospective payment systems (PPS). BKD’s revenue and performance management team offers effective techniques for gaining proper payment and managing claims denials under Medicare PPS.

Our revenue and performance management staff can address the concerns of all personnel involved in APCs, MS-DRGs and other PPS areas, including chief financial officers and controllers;

coding, billing and reimbursement personnel; and compliance personnel and charge description master coordinators.

Our recommendations are based on Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and Medicare administrative contractor communications to keep hospitals in compliance.

BKD’s revenue and performance management staff includes individuals who have served in the hospital trenches. Their credentials include Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA), Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT), Certified Professional Coder (CPC) and Certified Coding Specialist (CCS).

## 590 ADVISORS

Experience practical direction from approximately 590 professionals focused on health care for a national CPA and advisory firm.

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