

# Revenue Cycle Management

## Charge Capture Optimization

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We work interactively with the clinical departments, revenue cycle and revenue integrity to identify areas of revenue leakage due to ineffective charge capture. These areas of revenue leakage can include non-optimized charge master, ineffective linkages between the various charge capture systems, ineffective clinical department charge capture, and non-optimized overall revenue cycle. We also provide monitoring tools and assist with implementation of the identified opportunities.



### ANALYTICS

Perform Assessment of the Charge Master and Related Data

- Analyze charge master for coding accuracy
- Validate linkage between the various charge capture mechanisms such as patient access system linkage to the ancillary department system, charge master and finally the billing system
- Identify potential revenue leakage areas prior to on-site/virtual clinical department interviews/walkthroughs



#### CLINICAL DEPARTMENTS AND RELATED ENTITIES DATA VALIDATION

- Perform on-site/virtual interviews with clinical departments, HIM, Revenue Integrity and Revenue Cycle
- Through the walk-through process and interviews with key stakeholders, identify revenue leakage areas in the charge capture process such as inaccurate charge capture system interfaces and ineffective charge capture processes



#### POST INTERVIEW DATA ANALYTICS

- Perform various data analyses to validate previous work steps
- Perform claims analysis, when appropriate, to validate charge master issues with various payors
- Develop a list of revisions/additions/deletions to system interface linkages to optimize system performance
- · Develop a list of charge master changes by clinical department for review with key stakeholders
- Quantify financial impact of identified charge master changes



#### MITIGATION

#### Change Management:

- Implement action plan with points of accountability
- Review go-forward reporting and analytics
- Identify new trends before they become an issue

