



Professional Coding Services

Outsourced Professional ED & Clinic Coding

Healthcare organizations are faced with the challenge of managing coding compliance while maintaining the appropriate reimbursement from the services provided and resources expended. Strict outpatient coding requirements and an increased emphasis on coding compliance make it important for physicians and organizations to implement a solid approach to coding that is focused on reimbursement and compliance.

For organizations seeking a quality coding solution, LYNX offers expert professional coding services. Our coding staff, comprised of experienced clinical and coding specialists, assign codes and provide documentation feedback using Picis LYNX E/Code™ coding software.

LYNX assigns CPT codes (E/M and procedure) in accordance with current CMS documentation guidelines, CPT policy (published by the American Medical Association), American College of Emergency Physicians published policies, Correct Coding Initiative (published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) and LYNX coding guidelines.

We provide remote coding services at our regional offices and a vast network of home coders located throughout the United States. Delivery of coding services is most efficient if hospitals use a scanning and indexing system to image and organize documentation.

Record management solution. LYNX record management software tools, together with LYNX coding expertise and E/Code coding software, help decrease AR days and improve compliance. This can significantly reduce the volume of incomplete and/or missing records.

Remote access to documentation. LYNX accesses patient information and completed documentation remotely via a data connection with the client site.

Codes assigned. An experienced LYNX coding specialist assigns CPT and ICD-9 codes using LYNX E/Code software.

Documentation feedback. Coders use E/Code coding software to provide comments on the overall documentation quality for visit levels and procedures.

Data accessibility. Completed documentation and coding information is transferred electronically to the billing entities. Coding data can be viewed online at the client site, viewed remotely by LYNX or printed for easy distribution. Clients have access to E/Code's diverse range of financial, operational and practice management reports. Clients may print their own reports, monitor individual physician charge and/or RVU statistics and monitor workflow via coding reconciliation and missing records reports.

Benefits Summary

- Helps decrease AR days through efficient record management processes, beginning at the point of service and prompt coding turnarounds.
- Provides prospective and retrospective documentation feedback and education to each physician utilizing on-line reporting tools.
- Appropriately aligns coding with patient acuity, based on available documentation.
- Increases coding compliance by promoting accurate code assignment and establishing a coding audit trail.
- Provides the full benefit of LYNX's coding quality management programs—comprehensive coder training, aggressive ongoing education and regular monitoring to make certain performance standards are maintained.
- Offers valuable management data to evaluate physician productivity and documentation quality, and facility staffing needs while assessing financial performance.

About LYNX Medical Systems

LYNX Medical Systems, Inc., a Picis company, drives value in emergency medicine through industry leading software and services that promote financial health and compliance. LYNX revenue management solutions help hospitals improve ED clinical documentation, improve coding compliance, and promote accurate and consistent code assignment for appropriate reimbursement. LYNX clients maintain a consistent, documented and repeatable return on investment. Currently, LYNX serves more than 400 healthcare organizations, representing more than 18 million annual encounters.