ACDIS Excellence in Provider Engagement award

Summary

The ACDIS Excellence in Provider Engagement award recognizes an individual who has made a substantive difference within their organization, or on the broader CDI/HIM/coding community, through enhancing medical staff understanding, collaboration, and engagement. His or her efforts have resulted in measurable organizational improvements in clinical documentation and coding. The honoree stands out both in their efforts and achievements towards the basic concept of accurately capturing the patient’s clinical picture in the coded data. The honoree has achieved recognition of their knowledge, excellence, leadership, and communication abilities by both the medical and CDI/coding staff of their organization.

Criteria

- Has two or more years of experience in this role at the time of submission.
- Candidates include physician advisors, including advanced practice providers and foreign medical graduates in an advisor role. Other roles and professional backgrounds such as quality, administration, CDI/coding educator, or leadership positions will also be considered.
- Responsible for effective, measurable achievements resulting from education and engagement of medical staff.
  - Specific metrics to support achievements must be submitted in nomination form (for example, improved physician response rate and/or agree rate to queries, etc.)
- Spends dedicated amount of time working to educate and outreach with medical staff (at least several hours a week) regarding documentation and coding.
  - Engagement/education with different departments such as UR or CM will be considered.
- Supports CDI and coding needs with administration and leadership
- Notable knowledge mastery of coding and documentation principles and issues.
  - Mastery may be demonstrated by achievement of the CCDS, CDIP, or CCS credentials (though these are not mandatory) as well as a letter of recommendation (CDI/HIMS Director, CMO, CFO, Quality Director, CMIO, etc.).

Nomination considerations

- How does the nominee exhibit outstanding mentoring and promotion of excellent documentation among peers/medical staff?
- What measurable improvements has the organization experienced as a result of the nominee’s contributory efforts?
- What challenges has the nominee successfully overcome?
- How has the nominee consistently supported coding and CDI staff?
- Is the nominee involved with broader professional communities (PAs, coding, or CDI)?
- How has the nominee demonstrated notable leadership within his or her organization (i.e., advocacy, teamwork, etc.)?