

"Peer chart review" is a common approach healthcare providers use to monitor and assess their own quality of care and documentation. It is a recognized best practice for reducing risk exposure both in terms of legal risks and in the event of an insurance/Medicaid audit.

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**Instructions for Using the Peer Chart Review Form - Express Version**

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This may be something that you do internally in your office utilizing available staff time to evaluate a handful of charts for the major issues that come up in medicaid audits.

Randomly select 5 patient visits. Dive into the documentation and figure out if documentation is adequate. The 5 items chosen for the express form were based on common issues in audits, but you may customize it for your own practice based on errors that are made more commonly.

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Debrief with the staff member or dentist who has defaceiciencies.

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