

Ed Gaines Bio 2015:

Ed Gaines is the Chief Compliance Officer for Zotec-MMP, one of the largest providers of physician and hospital coding, billing and practice management services in the US.

He is responsible for compliance, coding and billing policy, coding quality assurance and training for radiology, emergency medicine, anesthesiology, and pathology and serves as the HIPAA privacy and security officer for Zotec-MMP.

Ed brings over 21 years of healthcare experience with Zotec, MMP and HBR. In 1994, HBR established the coding and billing industry's first voluntary compliance program.

Awards include the EDPMA Founder's Award, NC Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Outstanding Advocate for Emergency Medicine Award (1996), ACEP Speaker of the Year Award (2008) and ACEP Honorary Membership Award (2012).

He is a co-founder, past chairman, and current Board of Directors member of the Emergency Department Practice Management Association (EDPMA). EDPMA is a national trade association of ED physician groups, coding and billing companies and supporting organizations whose mission is to enhance quality patient care through operational excellence and financial stability. Ed received EDPMA Founder's Award (their highest honor) in 2008.

In November 2012, Ed was asked to participate in the NC Governor's DHHS Transition Committee to advise the new DHHS Secretary and Governor on the issues of Medicaid expansion, Medicaid reform and the health exchanges. The work of the Transition Committee has continued as is now a Health Reform Task Force reporting to the DHHS Secretary on implementing the committee's recommendations.

In the multi-volume and recently released *Emergency Department Management* published by ACEP and by R. Strauss, MD, and T. Mayer, MD, he is the Reimbursement Section Co-Editor and a Chapter Author.

Ed is a member of the North Carolina State Bar, North Carolina Bar Association's Health Law Section and the Bar of the United States Supreme Court. He currently works out of MMP's Greensboro, North Carolina offices.