



## ASC X12 Anti-Trust Statement

As a standards development organization accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), the Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 and its sub-groups shall conduct all of its activities in conformance with all applicable federal antitrust laws. The establishment of ASC X12 electronic data interchange standards is an open process and subject to public domain.

Items of particular importance and concern revolve around the following activities:

- Any effort undertaken, whether expressed or implied, that could be considered to restrain trade or act as a barrier to commerce to any individual or group of individuals shall be avoided.
- As in any meeting where competitors in an industry are present, there shall be no discussion of pricing, whether of individual company prices, industry pricing policies, or plans of any company concerning specific products, customers, or territories. This is to avoid violation of antitrust laws regarding price fixing and market division.
- Members must take special care to avoid making any statements or engaging in conduct prohibited by this policy. Responsibility for compliance rests with every ASC X12 member and any invited guests or participants.
- If members have any doubt concerning propriety of any matters under discussion at such meetings, members shall report objection(s) to the X12 Chair, Vice Chair, Steering Committee member or DISA President. Refer to the procedures addendum included below for additional reporting instructions.

This notice shall be in effect during and concerning all activities of ASC X12 and shall be read or referred to at the beginning of every meeting.

### ASC X12 Anti-Trust Statement Addendum

#### Reporting Procedures

In order to report suspected violations of the ASC X12 Anti-Trust Statement, members shall complete the following actions:

- Declare and be identified as an objector to the discussion or activity in question.
- Immediately disassociate one's self from the discussion and leave the meeting.
- The person(s) objection and departure from the meeting shall be recorded in meeting minutes.
- Report objection(s) to the X12 Chair, Vice Chair, Steering Committee member or DISA President.