

Advanced Hospital Coding and CCS Preparation

Facility Coding; Hospital Inpatient, Ambulatory Surgery, Outpatient Diagnostics (How to code for DRG's and APC's)

The Advanced Hospital Coding course is designed for individuals who have coding skills and want to enhance their facility coding skills. Mastering these skills will provide the opportunity to obtain positions in the best paying sector of the coding profession, will make you a more marketable employee and is essential for successful completion of the American Health Information Management Association's mastery level credentialing exam, the Certified Coding Specialist (CCS).

Many facilities have career ladders for coders. These ladders are pay increases tied to the attainment of higher levels of skill demonstrated by the achievement of certification. If you are currently working in a physician's office or billing service this course offers insight into facility coding which is otherwise extremely difficult to obtain. Most hospitals will only hire coders with previous exposure to facility coding or those who are already certified.

On the job training is a luxury most hospitals are unable to provide. There is little time for employers to back up and train new employees in the basics.

Coders of all levels must undergo continuing education to stay current with the constantly changing regulations. This online course uses contemporary, time proven teaching techniques.

Lessons are designed to be similar to classroom lectures, followed by homework exercises and readings from textbooks.

The textbooks chosen are the most well respected teaching tools in coding education and will serve you as reference books in the future.

Contemporary teaching techniques make the best use of our electronic classroom utilizing scanned and electronic records combined with exercises to help you learn to read the medical record, one of the most difficult aspects of coding for facilities.

Course Objectives

- Provide an overview of the payment systems used by health care facilities giving the student an understanding of the impact of their codes. This objective will be obtained by the use of DRG's and APC's
- Discuss the format and content of the medical records enabling you to find and understand information in a medical record by studying real records detail.
- Learn the coding guidelines used in facility coding for inpatients, ambulatory surgery and outpatient diagnostic patients by reviewing the Official Coding Guidelines in detail.
- This course will conclude with study tips to help you prepare for the AHIMA CCS exam. The official study guide is included in the price of your tuition.

The Advanced Hospital Coding course will utilize your existing knowledge of medical terminology and health care science. Your coding skills will be heightened and focused by preparing you for employment testing, job performance and successful completion of the CCS exam.

Prerequisites:

Administrative Medical Specialist course
OR

High school diploma

Medical Terminology

Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology

ICD-9-CM coding

CPT-4 coding

The Advanced Hospital Coding course focuses on facility specific coding guidelines. Time will not be spent on the use of the codebooks; therefore, it is necessary for the student to be familiar with the use of coding books prior to taking this course.

Books and materials included with tuition:

Faye Brown's ICD-9-CM Coding Hand Book, AHIMA's Clinical Coding Workout: Practice, Exercises for Skill Development (with answers)

Required books NOT included with tuition:

Current ICD-9-CM Volumes 1,2, & 3
Current CPT-4 codebook

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COURSE REGISTRATION

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Name _____
Address _____

City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Work Phone _____
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E-Mail Address _____

Web Based 80 Hours Registration Fee: \$1,695*

Check MasterCard Visa Discover

Account # _____
Exp. Date _____
Signature _____

HOW TO REGISTER

BY MAIL: Complete the registration form above, attach your check or money order and mail to the address listed below.

BY PHONE: Call (803) 325-2888. Phone registration hours are from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

BY FAX: Fax registration is available 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. Be sure to fax your fully completed enrollment form with credit card information provided to (803) 981-7327.

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