



Course Description

HIM2253C | Current Procedural Terminology/ CPT-4 | 2.00 credits

This course provides an in-depth knowledge of coding and reporting using Current Procedural Terminology classification. Students will learn to read and interpret ambulatory health record documentation to classify and assign services and procure codes and use of encoder and grouper software. HCPCS, APCs, and RBRVS will be discussed. Prerequisites: BSC2085, 2085L and HIM2472.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate knowledge of components of CPT coding, regulatory, outpatient prospective payment system, and reimbursement agencies by:

1. Assigning Current Procedural Terminology appropriately to medical documentation
2. Adhering to CPT Assistant coding guidelines
3. Applying modifiers and National codes (HCPCS)

Competency 2: The student will learn the importance of code selections for types of anesthesia used and components of Evaluation and Management (E/M) by:

1. Applying anesthesia/EM modifiers for enhancement of reimbursement
2. Assigning E/M using revised guidelines and scoring
3. Examining charge master and fee schedule codes for accuracy

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate coding knowledge and quality issues associated with applying remaining CPT/HCPCS codes by:

1. Identifying the major rules of coding Surgery, Radiology, and Medicine section services
2. Validating HCPCS codes assigned for services and supplies not appropriate for level 1 coding
3. Examine ethical issues according to assigning CPT/HCPCS/ICD-10-CM codes
4. Creating quality reports using coded data

Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society