

## **AH 143 Practical Applications in Coding II**

2 Credits

**Course Description:** This course is designed to provide students with medical coding skills. The focus of the class is on ICD-9-CM and CPT-4 coding. Prerequisites: AH 138, AH 139 & AH 142.

### **Course Objectives:**

Students are expected to

- Utilize CPT and ICD-9 concepts and coding skills to code medical records and other medical documents.
- Follow coding guidelines and sequencing rules.
- Apply knowledge of E&M codes, E-codes and V-codes.

**Instructor:** Michelle Gehring

**Office:** Online

**Office Hours:** Use the eMail tool within the online course to communicate with the instructor. Course eMail messages will be checked regularly, Monday through Friday. If you have a technical problem, contact the Distance Education office by calling 1-701-228-5479 or 1-888-918-5623 (toll-free).

**Email:** Use online course eMail tool.

**Class Schedule:** Online

### **Textbooks:**

Title : The Extra Step Physician-based Coding Practice

Author : Carol Buck

Publisher : Saunders

Edition/Year : 2011

ISBN : 978-1-4377-1661-0

: none

Type : Required resource

Additional information

Title : ICD-9-CM Volumes 1-3 Coding Book

Author : Carol Buck

Publisher : Saunders

Edition/Year : 2011

ISBN : 978-1-4377-1191-2

: none

Additional information

Type : Required resource

Title : CPT-4 2011

Author : American Medical Association

Publisher : American Medical Association

Edition/Year : 2011

ISBN : 978-1-60359-216-1

Additional information : none

Type : Required resource

### **Course Requirements:**

**Independent Practice:** Answer all section reviews and chapter reviews to make sure that you understand the information in the assigned chapters. If you have questions about any topics or need help, please contact me or another student via the course email.

**Assignments:** Each chapter will have a graded assignment that should be completed. All assignments (quizzes) will have an individual score and at the end of the course will be worth part of the total grade.

A Complete Comprehensive Coding Exam will be your final test. It will test your knowledge of all basic coding concepts.

### **Tentative Course Outline:**

- Week 1: Chapters 1-2
- Week 2: Chapters 3-5
- Week 3: Chapters 6-8
- Week 4: Chapters 9-11
- Week 5: Chapters 12-14
- Week 6: Chapters 15-17
- Week 7: Chapter 18
- Week 8: Final Complete Comprehensive Coding Exam

### **Relationship to Campus Theme:**

**Nature:** The course focuses on health problems of humans and medical responses to injuries, illnesses, and diseases.

**Technology:** Current tools in the medical coding industry are utilized to code medical procedures.

**Beyond:** Students learn to communication with other medical professionals.

**Classroom Policies:**

- Regular participation is expected.
- The student is expected to complete all assignments and tests in a timely manner; assignments and tests must be completed in the order that they are presented.
- The student is expected to complete all section and chapter reviews, even though these reviews will not be graded.
- The student is expected to communicate with other students and instructor via course mail or discussions when it is required.
- The student will complete each assignment before taking the related test.
- Each assignment/test will be completed online.
- Once an assignment/test is opened, it must be completed. It is up to students to be sure they are ready before entering it.

**Evaluation:**

Grades will be calculated by dividing total points earned by total points available from assignments and tests. A passing grade will be 60% or higher.

A--90-100%

B--80-89%

C--70-79%

D--60-69%

F--59% or lower

**Academic Integrity:** The academic community is operated on the basis of honesty, integrity and fair play. It is the expectation that all students, as members of the college community, adhere to the highest levels of academic integrity. This means that:

- Students are responsible for submitting their own work. Student work must not be plagiarized.
- Students must not cooperate on oral or written examinations or work together on evaluated assignments without authorization.

To learn how to avoid plagiarism in your work, review the website from Purdue University, [Is It Plagiarism Yet?](#)

Violations of academic principles such as cheating, plagiarism or other academic improprieties will be handled using the guidelines outlined in the [Student Handbook](#) on pages 18, 19, and 37.

**Disabilities and Special Needs:**

If you have a disability for which you need accommodation, contact the Learning Center to request disability support services: phone 701-228-5477 or toll-free 1-888-918-5623.