

Master Syllabus

HIM 2110 - Ambulatory Coding

Division: Health Sciences

Department: Health Information Management

Credit Hour Total: 4.0

Lecture Hrs: 3.0 **Lab Hrs:** 2.0

Prerequisite(s): HIM 1201

Other Prerequisite(s): AND Restricted to Majors

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Course Description:

Introduction to principles, guidelines and conventions for assigning ICD-10-CM diagnostic codes and CPT procedure codes to patient encounters for outpatient facility services. Students should possess proficiency in basic medical terminology and human anatomy and physiology. Additional out-of-class assignments are required. Three classroom, two lab hours per week.

General Education Outcomes:

- ▣ Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- ▣ Values/Citizenship/Community
- ▣ Information Literacy
- ▣ Computer Literacy

Course Outcomes:

Clinical Information Analysis

Apply national guidelines to identify what clinical information is appropriate to code.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: Score of 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score of 77% or higher

Application of NCCI Edits and LCDs

Demonstrate the ability to correctly analyze National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits and Local Coverage Decisions (LCDs) to accurately correct coding errors to ensure appropriate coding and reimbursement for ambulatory facilities.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Encoder Usage

Demonstrate the ability to correctly use the 3M encoder to code ambulatory scenarios and records and to utilize the various references, those supplied with the encoder and those on the Internet, to accurately code both diagnoses and procedures.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Professional Behavior

Exhibit the professional behaviors, attitudes, and values consistent with and appropriate to the entry-level HIM professional.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations
Performance Criteria: Score of 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria: Score of 77% or higher

Knowledge Integration

Demonstrate knowledge of anatomy and physiology, disease processes, and medical terminology to correctly interpret clinical documentation.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Coding Ambulatory Scenarios and Records

Utilize Alphabetic Index and Tabular List of ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM and CPT to appropriately assign codes for correctly identified diagnoses and procedures.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Assessment Method: Simulations
Performance Criteria: Score at 77% or higher

Outline:

Guidelines for coding ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM diagnoses and CPT procedure coding for stand alone facilities
Evaluation and Management Coding for Emergency Room
E codes for identifying causes, locations, and activity performed pertaining to injuries
Observation guidelines and coding
Coding of diagnostic tests with verification of medical necessity with LCDs
Outpatient Surgery coding, including all body systems
National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits
Status Indicators and how they affect code sequencing
Ambulatory Payment Classifications
Ambulatory Surgical Centers and list of appropriate Medicare procedures
Interventional Radiology
Da Vinci Robotic Surgery
"CPT Assistant", "Coding Clinic" and other references
3M Encoder