

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number: HIM 295

Credits: 5

Course Title: Topics in Alternate Healthcare Settings: Coding and Reimbursement

Course Description: Focuses on disease and procedure coding using International Classification Disease (ICD) and Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) in alternate health care settings, such as behavioral health, home health, skilled nursing facilities, long-term care hospitals (LTCH), rehab facilities, and hospice. Prerequisite: Admittance into the Advanced Medical Coder Career Studies Certificate. Lecture 5 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: Required for the Advanced Medical Coder Career Studies Certificate, this course is designed to introduce students to the practical application of coding and reimbursement as it applies to alternate healthcare settings.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prerequisite: Admittance into the Advanced Medical Coder Career Studies Certificate

Course Objectives:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- a. Discuss the coder's role in alternative healthcare settings;
- b. Identify and distinguish documentation required for each alternate healthcare setting;
- c. Demonstrate knowledge of documentation requirements by Medicare, Medicaid, and other regulatory agencies as it applies to each alternate healthcare setting;
- d. Demonstrate understanding of reimbursement methodologies for alternate healthcare settings;
- e. Demonstrate general knowledge of Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM), ICD-O, and Systemized Nomenclature of Medicine (SNOMED) classification systems; and
- f. Demonstrate correct application of ICD-10/CPT codes for home health/hospice cases, skilled nursing cases, rehabilitation facilities, and long-term care hospitals.

Major Topics to be Included:

- a. The coder's role and responsibilities in alternate healthcare settings
- b. Coding documentation requirements to include
 1. In alternate healthcare settings
 2. Medicare
 3. Medicaid
 4. Other regulatory agencies
- c. Ethical coding issues in alternate healthcare settings
- d. Reimbursement methodologies
 1. Skilled nursing homes
 2. Long-term care
 3. Rehabilitation facilities
 4. Hospice/home health
- e. Classification systems to include
 1. DSM
 2. ICD-O
 3. SNOMED
 4. IDC-10
 5. CPT

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: September 21, 2015