Course Title: Medical Coding I

Course Description:
In-depth coverage of surgical procedures and information regarding CPT coding in preparation for the nationally recognized American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) certification.

Course Prerequisite(s):
Introduction to Medical Coding and Billing, Pathophysiology

Course Objectives:
1. Apply ethical principles and methodologies of medical coding
2. Differentiate between the various coding methods applied in healthcare settings such as hospitals, physician’s offices and insurance companies
3. Apply basic to intermediate principles of CPT, E&M guidelines and HCPCS coding

Textbook(s):
1. Step by Step Medical Coding, Carol Buck (2013 edition)
2. ICD-9, CPT & HCPCS Coding Books (2013 Professional editions for physicians)

Lesson Plan:
Week One
Session 1: Introductions, review of syllabus, course outline, review of materials from Introduction to Medical Coding and Billing, Review Chapters 13 & 14

Session 2: Chapter 15 - Evaluation and Management (E/M) Services

Week Two
Session 3: Chapter 16 - Anesthesia Section and Modifiers
Review for test over Chapter 15

Session 4: Test – Chapter 15
Complete discussion over Chapter 16
Chapter 17 – Surgery Guidelines and General Surgery
Week Three
Session 5: Complete Chapter 17
    Chapter 18 – Integumentary System
    Review for test over Chapters 16, 17 and 18
Session 6: Test – Chapters 16, 17 and 18
    Chapter 19 – Musculoskeletal System
    Chapter 20 – Respiratory System

Week Four
Session 7: Chapter 21 – Cardiovascular System
    Review for test over Chapters 19, 20 and 21
Session 8: Test over Chapters 19, 20 and 21
    Chapter 22 – Hemic, Lymphatic, Mediastinum and Diaphragm
    Chapter 23 – Digestive System
    Chapter 24 – Urinary and Male Genital Systems

Week Five
Session 9: Chapter 25 – Reproductive, Intersex Surgery, Female Genital System, and Maternity Care and Delivery
    Review for test over Chapters 22, 23, 24 and 25
Session 10: Test – Chapters 22, 23, 24 and 25
    Chapter 26 – Endocrine and Nervous Systems
    Chapter 27 – Eye, Ocular Adnexa, Auditory, and Operating Microscope

Week Six
Session 11: Chapter 28 - Radiology
    Review for test over Chapters 26, 27, and 28
Session 12: Test – Chapters 26, 27 and 28
    Chapter 29 – Pathology/Laboratory
    Review for final exam

Week Seven
Session 13: Final exam
Session 14: Discussion of Final Exam results - Course evaluations

Requirements for Successful Completion
- Attendance for 90% of classes
- Completion of Assignments
- Class participation
- Examination scores average of 70% or better