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OVERVIEW

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About the Course

This one day program will offer practical information and updates on reimbursement and coding through lectures and a panel discussion. The lectures are intended to build on existing knowledge while at the same time offering practical guidance in the handling of coding, reimbursement and compliance. The course will cover the fundamentals of Emergency Medicine coding and procedure documentation including guidelines for Medicare and private payers; methods for fine tuning coding procedures; specific chart review geared to improving those reviews; case studies on procedures, provide updates on pay-for-performance; review of Massachusetts payment reform proposals* and conclude with a panel discussion for specific coding, compliance and reimbursement questions. Separate concurrent breakout lectures will be provided during the afternoon session geared to the specific educational needs professional coders and emergency physicians.

**It is important to note that currently a state commission on payment reform in Massachusetts has recommended that the state move towards a system of "global payments" that will involve, if it is enacted by the state legislature, vast changes in the ways emergency physicians will be reimbursed. This lecture will give all participants a review of the components in that proposed plan, its potential timetable, and overall effects it will have on billing and reimbursement.*

Learning Objectives and Target Audience

The target audience of emergency physicians and professional billing and coding staff will, upon completion of this course, be able to: discuss basic documentation fundamentals of ED coding; develop better internal procedures; interpret local/regional reimbursement issues and audit risks; develop a better knowledge of the appropriate use of CPT and ICD-9 codes for professional services provided in the EDs, including diagnosis coding, fracture care, and physician extenders; avoid billing and processing errors; better interpret pay-for-performance; and develop a recognition of the effects of potential changes in both federal and state reimbursement policies.

Directions

From Mass Pike/I-90 (East or West) take the exit for I-95/128 North. Continue on Route 95/128 North for approximately 2 miles to Exit 27B (Wyman Street/Winter Street). Once on Winter Street remain in the very right hand lane. Continue straight on Winter Street keeping the Reservoir on your right. Go past two entrances (Verizon and AstraZenca) and take the third left by the large granite sign for Waltham Woods. Follow signs up the hill for entrance to the Massachusetts Medical Society and the MMS Conference Center at 860 Winter Street.

SCHEDULE

7:30 - 8:00

Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:00 - 9:45

Evaluation and Management Documentation and Audits: Increased Frequency of both Medicare and Private Payer Audits
Todd Thomas, CPC, CCS-P;
Michael Granovsky, MD, FACEP, CPC

9:45 - 10:00

Break with Refreshments

10:00 - 11:00

ED Procedures and Observation Coding: Appropriately Capture High RVU Procedures with Proper Documentation and Coding
Michael Granovsky, MD, FACEP, CPC

11:00 - 12:00

Massachusetts Payment Reform: Fundamentally Changing Emergency Physician Reimbursement
Peter Smulowitz, MD

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 2:00

Reimbursement Update: Optimizing Revenue and Compliance – Making Your ED Revenue Stream Reliable
Elijah Berg, MD, FACEP

2:00 - 3:00

Physician Break Out Session: High Level Discussion of Real World Documentation, Compliance and Audit Risks
Elijah Berg, MD, FACEP; Michael Granovsky, MD, FACEP, CPC

2:00 - 3:00

Coder Break Out Session: Coding a Chart: Putting It All Together With Step-by-Step Coding of Selected Real World Records
Todd Thomas, CPC, CCS-P

3:00 - 3:15

Break with Refreshments

3:15 - 4:00

Ask The Experts: An interactive panel discussion with questions and answers. Questions may be submitted in advance to eberg@macep.org
Elijah Berg, MD, FACEP; Michael Granovsky, MD, FACEP, CPC; Todd Thomas, CPC, CCS-P

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