

Aapc Chapter Meetings

With ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding: Theory and Practice, 2018 Edition, you will learn facility-based coding by actually working with codes. This comprehensive guide provides an in-depth understanding of inpatient diagnosis and procedure coding if you're just learning to code, or are an experienced professional who needs to solidify and expand your knowledge. It combines basic coding principles, clear examples, plenty of challenging exercises, and the ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting to ensure accuracy using the latest codes. From leading medical coding authority and AHIMA-approved ICD-10 Trainer Karla Lovaasen, this expert resource offers all a well-rounded understanding of the necessity and functions of ICD-10-CM/PCS coding. ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting provide fast, easy access instruction on proper application of codes. 30-day access to TruCode® encoder on the Evolve companion website provides you with realistic practice with using an encoder. Coverage of both common and complex procedures prepares you for inpatient procedural coding using ICD-10-PCS. Illustrations and examples of key diseases help in understanding how commonly encountered conditions relate to ICD-10-CM coding. Coding examples and exercises let you apply concepts and practice coding with ICD-10-CM/PCS codes. Illustrated, full-color design emphasizes important content such as anatomy and physiology and visually reinforces key concepts. Coverage of medical records provides a context for coding and familiarizes you with documents you will encounter on the job. Coverage of common medications promotes coding accuracy by introducing medication names commonly encountered in medical records. NEW! Zika virus coverage, NIHSS codes, and coding tips ensure you're learning the most up-to-date coding information. UPDATED The latest ICD-10 codes and coding guidelines revisions ensure that you have the most up-to-date information available. UPDATED Coding Medical and Surgical Procedures chapter includes enhanced coverage and revised information. UPDATED! codes for Pancreatitis, Diabetic Retinopathy, Fractures, GIST Tumors, Hypertension and Myocardial Infarctions.

Grow your practice and improve your patient outcomes with a thriving telemedicine program. Telehealth and telemedicine services are growing rapidly—and with growth comes evolving guidelines and regulations. Meeting compliance and coding protocols can be daunting, but it doesn't have to be. Trust the experts at AAPC to leverage the advantages of telehealth and build your practice's volume. The Telemedicine & Telehealth Reference Guide will put you on the path to reimbursement, walking you through covered services, new code options, proper modifier use, conditions of payment, security protocols, and more. This end-to-end resource takes the guess work out of best practices and Federal regulations governing virtual care. Nail down the ABCs of telemedicine and discover how to put them to work for you. Give your patients the care options

they expect with a vital telemedicine program: Navigate the Ins and Outs of Telemedicine and Telehealth Discover Best Practices for Billing Telehealth Services Nail Down Where Telehealth Services Can Take Place and Who Can Perform Them Tackle HIPAA and Compliance Issues for Telemedicine and Telehealth Get to Know the Basics on Telehealth Reimbursement Ace Accurate Coding for Telemedicine and Telehealth with Practical Examples Learn How to Modify the Modifiers for Telehealth Services Get Up to Speed on Credentials and Privileges Power Up Your Claim Submittals for Services Furnished Via Telehealth Gain Tips for Managing the Rapidly Changing Telehealth Technology Capitalize on New Telemedicine Options from CMS Glossary of Telemedicine and Telehealth Terminology And much more!

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A curriculum for teaching friendship skills using a fun group format. Participants take part in hands-on activities that are geared to their strengths and preferred learning styles.

Official 2022 ICD-10-CM Expert Code Book Do you ever struggle with the level of ICD-10-CM code specificity required for successful claim submissions? The struggle ends here. The ICD-10-CM Expert 2022 will not only get you up to speed with 2022 updates but will also help you check your coding for medical necessity. Color coding and illustrations make the material easy to navigate, digest and remember. Developed for students and professionals alike, the

ICD-10-CM Expert 2022 is designed for coders by coders. It is custom-tailored as an easy, essential reference for use in the office, medical facilities, classrooms, and for exams. Key Features and Benefits: Complete 2022 ICD-10-CM code set with new codes, new text, revised codes, and revised text 2022 ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting with expanded Quick View Flow Charts for quick and accurate information AAPC exclusive! Monthly email coding updates to keep you informed and keep your claims on track Symbols indicating “additional character required” to ensure valid coding Age and gender icons showing which codes have patient-based restrictions Symbols for unacceptable principal diagnosis, code exempt from diagnosis present on admission requirement, complication or comorbidity, CC/MCC exclusion, questionable admission, and HAC alert Code first indicators, plus “code also” and “use additional code” notes Manifestation code alerts to properly assign codes representing manifestations of an underlying disease Extension symbols to identify encounter, recovery stage, or laterality Highlighted codes to recognize conditions related to MACRA quality measures HCC and RxHCC symbols to alert you to HCC and RxHCC diagnoses Full-color anatomical illustrations of anatomy and conditions throughout the Tabular List to help you to understand how to assign specific codes Colored vertical lines throughout the Alphabetic Index to easily recognize subterms and codes to cross reference Preprinted adhesive tabs for quick, easy reference to frequently used sections and codes Spiral binding allows book to lay flat for easy coding and scanning

Introduction to Health Care & Careers provides students beginning their health care education with the fundamentals they need to develop their personal and professional skills, understand their chosen profession, and succeed in the world of health care.

2021 Official ICD-10-CM Expert for Providers and Facilities ESSENTIAL! For new, 2021 codes and guidelines, AAPC's Official ICD-10-CM Expert for Providers and Facilities is a must-have resource for clinical coders. When it comes to ease-of-use, usable content and accuracy, there is no substitute. AAPC's ICD-10-CM was written by medical coding experts and custom-tailored as an easy, essential reference for use in the office, medical facilities, classrooms, and for exams. New 2021 codes and guidelines are supported by helpful information for every coder, biller, and other professional dealing in healthcare revenue. Color coding and illustrations make the material easy to navigate, digest and remember. AAPC's difference includes these features: New for 2021! 2021 new, changed, and deleted codes updates assure you will have the codes you need at work and during your examination 2021 Official Guidelines in the front of the book build the foundation for your documentation of medical necessity and accuracy Additional character icons help make your book a one-stop, easy-to-use resource Expanded online updates and tips to help you succeed at work or in your exam Yellow-highlighted orientation lines - Index to Diseases and Injuries include highlights that are like maps to the correct indentation, meaning you can easily

find the right code categories Highlighted codes - Easily find MACRA quality measure-related diagnosis codes Adhesive tabs - Save time by adding custom tabs Symbols/alerts with Z codes - Conveniently Identify primary Dx for this code chapter Age and Gender icons - Save yourself from embarrassing mistakes Primary Diagnosis indicators - Take any guesswork out of which code to report Manifestation codes - Add the information needed to make codes more payable Detailed illustrations - Understand the geography and pathology in the codes Extension symbols - Identify encounter, recovery stage, or laterality Spiral binding - Lay your book open and flat for an easy-to-use coding reference

This title recognizes the importance of offering stabilization strategies that afford students a better regulated body, often enabling students with classic autism to increase their time in school, most of them working up to full-day participation. Data collection is one of the critical elements of an effective, efficient, and accountable program that supports student development and learning. However, many intervention teams struggle to develop reasonable and sustainable methods of gathering information about student performance and progress. Now comes **SHOW ME THE DATA!** This must-have resource consists of a brief discussion on data collection accompanied by a CD containing a comprehensive compilation of data sheets to help make that once-dreaded task easier and simpler. The data sheets are of two types: generic forms appropriate for students of any age and/or ability and forms focusing on specific skills appropriate mostly for young children or children with significant cognitive delays. Forms may be customized for particular programs and individual students. Finally, to help teams figure out what to do with the data once they have been collected, samples of completed data sheets and easy-to-use graphs are included as a model for how teams can display their data visually and evaluate the effectiveness of intervention and efficacy of their program and/or intervention.

It's not the quantity of clinical documentation that matters—it's the quality. Is your clinical documentation improvement (CDI) program identifying your outliers? Does your documentation capture the level of ICD-10 coding specificity required to achieve optimal reimbursement? Are you clear on how to fix your coding and documentation shortfalls? Providing the most complete and accurate coding of diagnoses and site-specific procedures will vastly improve your practice's bottom line. Get the help you need with the **Clinical Documentation Reference Guide**. This start-to-finish CDI primer covers medical necessity, joint/shared visits, incident-to billing, preventative care visits, the global surgical package, complications and comorbidities, and CDI for EMRs. Learn the all-important steps to ensure your records capture what your physicians perform during each encounter. Benefit from methods to effectively communicate CDI concerns and protocols to your providers. Leverage the practical and effective guidance in **AAPC's Clinical Documentation Reference Guide** to triumph over your toughest documentation challenges. Prevent documentation deficiencies and keep your claims on track for optimal reimbursement: Understand the legal aspects of

documentation Anticipate and avoid documentation trouble spots Keep compliance issues at bay Learn proactive measures to eliminate documentation problems Work the coding mantra—specificity, specificity, specificity Avoid common documentation errors identified by CERT and RACs Know the facts about EMR templates—and the pitfalls of auto-populate features Master documentation in the EMR with guidelines and tips Conquer CDI time-based coding for E/M The Clinical Documentation Reference Guide is approved for use during the CDEO® certification exam.

Combining their years of experience working with individuals on the autism spectrum, both here and around the world, authors Vera Bernard-Opitz and Anne Häußler bring teachers and other professionals practical ideas and teaching methods for offering visual supports to students with autism spectrum disorders and other visual learners. With hundreds of colorful illustrations and step-by-step directions, this book lays the foundation for how to structure teaching environments, as well as offers countless examples of activities for students, ranging from basic skills, to reading and math, to social behavior.

Learn the skills you need to succeed in the modern medical office! *Medical Office Administration: A Worktext, 5th Edition* provides a clear, hands-on approach to help you master the role and responsibilities of the administrative medical assistant. With a focus on exceptional patient service, this easy-to-read text stresses comprehension, application, and critical thinking to ensure you are job-ready on Day 1. When used in conjunction with SimChart® for the Medical Office, Elsevier's educational EHR (sold separately), you will gain realistic experience with day-to-day tasks as if you were in an actual office setting. This worktext helps you develop the knowledge and skills you need to think critically and respond confidently to the challenges you'll encounter on the job. Approachable writing style uses a conversational tone for easy understanding. Procedure checklists outline the steps required to complete a full range of administrative tasks. Patient-centered focus highlights the importance of exceptional service as a key component of every Medical Assisting competency. Think About It feature encourages you to apply your knowledge to realistic work situations and develop critical thinking. Chapter checkpoints promote comprehension with questions following sections of the text. Compliance tips provide focused guidance on how to follow HIPAA mandates. Learning resources on the Evolve website provide extra practice, including chapter quizzes, a sample certification exam, and interactive forms. NEW content expands discussion of patient confidentiality, healthcare data security, appointment scheduling, procedure coding changes, job search strategies, and more. UNIQUE! Correlation with NEW SimChart® for the Medical Office (SCMO) exercises simulates all aspects of the administrative functions that make up the day-to-day practice of a medical office. (SCMO sold separately.) NEW! Sample practice examination on the Evolve website provides effective preparation for certification.

AAPC's Official CPC® Certification Study guide is specifically designed to help

individuals prepare for the CPC® exam. Twenty chapters will guide you through a review of anatomy and terminology, ICD-10, HCPCS, and CPT® coding for each body system, E/M coding, anesthesia, radiology, pathology/laboratory and appropriate use of modifiers. This covers all the content sections found on the exam and will also provide you with testing tips for taking the AAPC's CPC® exam. The study guide is not an introduction to coding but a review of coding concepts. Key Features: - Anatomy and Medical Terminology Review - Practical Examples - Testing Techniques for CPC® exam - Questions designed to mimic the CPC® certification exam - Each chapter includes ten review questions geared to test important coding concepts - Study guide written by same task force who wrote the CPC® exam - 200+ Test your Knowledge questions with answers and rationales

In this study of psychology and Catholicism, Kugelmann aims to provide clarity in an area filled with emotion and opinion. From the beginnings of modern psychology to the mid-1960s, this complicated relationship between science and religion is methodically investigated. Conflicts such as the boundary of 'person' versus 'soul', contested between psychology and the Church, are debated thoroughly. Kugelmann goes on to examine topics such as the role of the subconscious in explaining spiritualism and miracles; psychoanalysis and the sacrament of confession; myth and symbol in psychology and religious experience; cognition and will in psychology and in religious life; humanistic psychology as a spiritual movement. This fascinating study will be of great interest to scholars and students of both psychology and religious studies but will also appeal to all of those who have an interest in the way modern science and traditional religion coexist in our ever-changing society.

AAPC's CIC™ Certification Study guide is specifically designed to help individuals prepare for the CIC™ exam. Twelve chapters will guide you through a review of anatomy, and terminology, ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS diagnosis and procedure coding for acute care facilities, outpatient reimbursement concepts, and inpatient reimbursement concepts. This covers all the content sections found on the exam and will also provide you with testing tips for taking the AAPC's CIC™ exam. The study guide is not an introduction to coding but a review of coding concepts. Key Features: - Anatomy and Medical Terminology Review - Practical Examples - Testing Techniques for CIC™ exam - Questions designed to mimic the CIC™ certification exam - Each chapter includes ten review questions geared to test important coding concepts - Study guide written by same task force who wrote the CIC™ exam - Practice exam including 20 question multiple choice and 5 fill-in-the-blank coding cases with answers and rationales AAPC's CIC™ Online Practice Exams are highly recommended to supplement this study guide. These online practice exams will add an additional 60 multiple choice questions and 10 fill-in-the-blank coding cases to your preparation.

Koenig addresses the whys, hows, whens, and whats of patient-centered integration of spirituality into patient care, including details on the health-related

sacred traditions for each major religious group. He provides health care professionals with the training necessary to screen patients sensitively and competently for spiritual needs, begin to communicate with patients about these issues, and learn when to refer patients to trained spiritual-care professionals who can competently address spiritual needs. --from publisher description.

The CCVTC™ study guide offers a comprehensive review of cardiovascular and thoracic surgery coding in preparation for the CCVTC™ exam. It covers all topics tested in the actual exam and is filled with practical examples; including an E/M chapter with examples that are specialty specific, using 1995 and 1997 CMS Documentation Guidelines. Also included is a 35-question Test Your Knowledge exam with answers and rationales. Key Features: Practical examples Testing techniques for the CCVTC™ exam Questions designed to mimic the CCVTC™ certification exam Written by the same people who wrote the CCVTC™ exam 35 Test Your Knowledge questions with answers and rationales Answer key includes dissection of note for further clarification of proper coding.

Autobiography of an American Sikh.

30-day trial to TruCode® Encoder Essentials gives you experience with using an encoder, plus access to additional encoder practice exercises on the Evolve website. ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting provide fast, easy access to instructions on proper application of codes. Coverage of both common and complex procedures prepares you for inpatient procedural coding using ICD-10-PCS. Numerous and varied examples and exercises within each chapter break chapters into manageable segments and help reinforcing important concepts. Illustrations and examples of key diseases help in understanding how commonly encountered conditions relate to ICD-10-CM coding. Strong coverage of medical records provides a context for coding and familiarizes you with documents you will encounter on the job. Illustrated, full-color design emphasizes important content such as anatomy and physiology and visually reinforces key concepts.

Medical Billing & Coding For Dummies John Wiley & Sons

Across the country, white ethnics have fled cities for suburbs. But many have stayed in their old neighborhoods. When the busing crisis erupted in Boston in the 1970s, Catholics were in the forefront of resistance. Jews, 70,000 of whom had lived in Roxbury and Dorchester in the early 1950s, were invisible during the crisis. They were silent because they departed the city more quickly and more thoroughly than Boston's Catholics. Only scattered Jews remained in Dorchester and Roxbury by the mid-1970s. In telling the story of why the Jews left and the Catholics stayed, Gerald Gamm places neighborhood institutions--churches, synagogues, community centers, schools--at its center. He challenges the long-held assumption that bankers and real estate agents were responsible for the rapid Jewish exodus. Rather, according to Gamm, basic institutional rules explain the strength of Catholic attachments to neighborhood and the weakness of Jewish attachments. Because they are rooted, territorially defined, and

hierarchical, parishes have frustrated the urban exodus of Catholic families. And because their survival was predicated on their portability and autonomy, Jewish institutions exacerbated the Jewish exodus. Gamm shows that the dramatic transformation of urban neighborhoods began not in the 1950s or 1960s, but in the 1920s. Not since Anthony Lukas's "Common Ground" has there been a book that so brilliantly explores not just Boston's dilemma but the roots of the American urban crisis.

This handbook provides a sweeping overview of U.S. campaign and election reform efforts, past and present, from the introduction of the secret ballot to touch-screen voting. * Includes extensive quotations from reform advocates, along with excerpts from legislation and court cases related to changing campaign and election procedures * Summaries of recent research on voter turnout provide a means of evaluating legislation intended to increase voter registration and turnout rates

AAPC's CPMA® Certification Study guide is specifically designed to help individuals prepare for the CPMA® exam. Five chapters will guide you through a review of medical record standards and documentation guidelines, coding and documentation compliance, coding and reimbursement concepts, audit scope and statistical sampling methods, medical record audit abstraction, and category risk analysis and communication. The study guide covers all the content sections found on the exam and will also provide you with testing tips for taking the AAPC's CPMA® exam. The study guide is not an introduction to coding but a review of coding concepts. Key Features: - Practical Examples - Testing Techniques for CPMA® exam - Questions designed to mimic the CPMA® certification exam - Each chapter includes ten review questions geared to test important concepts - Study guide written by same task force who wrote the CPMA® exam - 50 Test your Knowledge questions with answers and rationales - 50 question practice test with answers and rationales AAPC's CPMA® Online Practice Exams are highly recommended to supplement this study guide. These online practice exams will add an additional 150 questions to your preparation.

Understanding Health Insurance: A Guide to Professional Billing, 7th edition, utilizes a step-by-step approach to provide instruction about the completion of health insurance claims. The objectives of this edition are to 1) introduce information about major third party payers, 2) provide up-to-date information about federal health care regulations, 3) clarify coding guidelines and provide application exercises for each coding system, 4) introduce reimbursement issues, 5) emphasize the importance of coding for medical necessity, and 6) help users develop the skill to complete claims accurately.. Case studies and review exercises provide users with numerous opportunities to apply knowledge and develop skills in completing CMS-1500 claims accurately. The textbook CD-ROM and accompanying workbook provide additional exercises and practice in completing CMS-1500 claims electronically. Current information is provided on CPT-5 and ICD-10-CM coding systems. The appendices include information about processing the UB-92 (CMS-1450) and dental claims.

Africa: The Politics of Independence and Unity combines into one edition for the first time Africa: The Politics of Independence and Africa: The Politics of Unity. With a new introduction by the author, this edition provides some of the earliest and most valuable analysis of African politics during the period when the colonial system began to disintegrate. ø The influential Africa: The Politics of Independence was written as Africa was just realizing independence and still reveling in the optimism it brought. Immanuel Wallerstein was one of the few scholars who had traveled throughout Africa during the collapse of colonial rule. As a result, his interpretive essay captures the dynamism of that period of transformation and adroitly analyzes Africa's modern political developments during the nascent process of decolonization. Africa: The Politics of Unity, published six years later, examines the African unity movement that arose

between 1957 and 1965 and its revolutionary core. It is often considered the first thorough analysis of the postindependence history of Africa.

The definitive guide to starting a successful career in medical billing and coding With the healthcare sector growing at breakneck speed—it's currently the largest employment sector in the U.S. and expanding fast—medical billing and coding specialists are more essential than ever. These critical experts, also known as medical records and health information technicians, keep systems working smoothly by ensuring patient billing and insurance data are accurately and efficiently administered. This updated edition provides everything you need to begin—and then excel in—your chosen career. From finding the right study course and the latest certification requirements to industry standard practices and insider tips for dealing with government agencies and insurance companies, *Medical Billing & Coding For Dummies* has you completely covered. Find out about the flexible employment options available and how to qualify Understand the latest updates to the ICD-10 Get familiar with ethical and legal issues Discover ways to stay competitive and get ahead The prognosis is good—get this book today and set yourself up with the perfect prescription for a bright, secure, and financially healthy future!

Using the same product and easy-to-read format as the first edition, this newly expanded book explains how many children with high-functioning ASD relate to the world through their senses. A complete curriculum for teaching about sexual health and intimate relationships, taking into consideration the learning preferences, sensitivity, social and other issues characteristic of individuals with autism spectrum disorders.

Ensure full pay for services provided by your nurse practitioners, physician assistants, clinical nurse specialists, and other mid-level clinicians. Staffing nonphysician practitioners (NPPs) enables your practice to see more patients, but the revenue benefits depend on your team's ability to navigate the complex set of NPP coding and billing rules. Do you know the guidelines that Medicare and other payers apply toward reimbursement of NPP services? Are you clear on the rules for direct supervision? How about reciprocity? If you're like most, you have more questions than answers. Getting incident-to billing right means 15% more in reimbursement. Getting it wrong could be considered fraudulent. With stakes this high, you need the *Nonphysician Practitioner Reference Guide*. This comprehensive resource provides expert guidance covering the scope of NPP coding and billing regulations. Understand the distinctions between shared visit and incident-to services and meet the troublesome requirements of audit-ready incident-to billing. Packed with authoritative tips, readers' Q&A, and handy clip-and-save tools—including an incident-to audit checklist—you'll master the reporting nuances of E/M services, prolonged services, virtual visits, and more. Shore up revenue for your mid-level practitioners with: Tips for accurate dual-provider coding Max out incident-to pay the right way and earn 100% of allowable revenue versus 85% Rely on split/shared visit coding in non-office settings Know how to avoid substitute physician billing challenges Boost your signature know-how and avoid claim denials Watch incident-to claims when physician is out of office Get the facts on performing consults Learn the secret NPP guidelines for coding virtual visits Do you know the reciprocity rules when your physician leaves town? And much more! Clear up your NPP compliance confusion—and know exactly when you can bill service incidents to the physician—with the *Nonphysician Practitioner Reference Guide*.

Though they work largely out of the public eye, political consultants-"image merchants" and "kingmakers" to candidates-play a crucial role in shaping campaigns. They persuaded Barry Goldwater to run for president, groomed former actor Ronald Reagan

for the California governorship, helped derail Bill Clinton's health care initiative, and carried out the swiftboating of John Kerry. As Dennis Johnson argues in this sweeping history of political consulting in the United States, they are essential to modern campaigning, often making positive contributions to democratic discourse, and yet they have also polarized the electorate with their biting messages. During the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, political campaigns were run by local political parties, volunteers, and friends of candidates; but as party loyalties among voters began to weaken, and political parties declined as sources of manpower and strategy, professional consultants swept in to fill the void. Political consulting emerged as a profession in the 1930s with publicists Leone Baxter and Clem Whitaker, the husband and wife team who built their business, in part, with a successful campaign to destroy Upton Sinclair's 1934 bid for governor of California. With roots in advertising and public relations, political consulting has since developed into a highly professionalized business generating hundreds of millions of dollars. In fact, some of the top campaign consulting firms have merged with others to form multinational public relations conglomerates, serving not just candidates but also shaping public advocacy campaigns for businesses and nonprofits. Johnson, an academic who has also worked on campaigns alongside the likes of James Carville and pollster Paul Begala, suffuses his history with the stories of the colorful characters who have come to define the profession of consulting, from its beginning to the present. More than just the story of the making of a political business, *Democracy for Hire's* wide-ranging history helps us to better understand the very contours of modern American politics.

To many, the term "campaign ethics" is an oxymoron. Questionable campaign conduct occurs at many levels, from national presidential elections to local delegate contests. Campaign ethics goes beyond mere "ethical dilemmas," or trying to decide whether or not a particular act is above board. The chapters in this volume examine the broad questions of ethics in campaigns from the perspective of those actors that play critical roles in them, as well as the scholars who study them. The contributors—who include leading academics, as well as practitioners from the world of campaigning and campaign reform—outline, assess, and critique the role and responsibilities of candidates, citizens, organized interest groups, political parties, professional campaign consultants, and the media, in insuring ethical campaigns. Contributors include: Robert E. Denton (Virginia Tech University), David A. Dulio (Oakland University), Brad Rourke (Institute for Global Ethics), Robin Kolodny (Temple University), L. Dale Lawton (Institute for Global Ethics), L. Sandy Maisel (Colby College), Larry Makinson (Center for Responsive Politics), Stephen K. Medvic (Franklin & Marshall College), Dale E. Miller (Old Dominion University), Candice J. Nelson (Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University), Mark A. Siegel (Office of Congressman Steve Israel), Paul Taylor (Alliance For Better Campaigns), James A. Thurber (Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University), Michael W. Traugott (University of Michigan), Carol Whitney (Whitney and Associates and Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University), and William H. Wood (Sorenson Institute for Political Leadership, University of Virginia).

Your complete guide to a career in medical billing and coding, updated with the latest changes in the ICD-10 and PPS This fully updated second edition of *Medical Billing & Coding For Dummies* provides readers with a complete overview of what to expect and

how to succeed in a career in medical billing and coding. With healthcare providers moving more rapidly to electronic record systems, data accuracy and efficient data processing is more important than ever. Medical Billing & Coding For Dummies gives you everything you need to know to get started in medical billing and coding. This updated resource includes details on the most current industry changes in ICD-10 (10th revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems) and PPS (Prospective Payment Systems), expanded coverage on the differences between EHRs and MHRs, the latest certification requirements and standard industry practices, and updated tips and advice for dealing with government agencies and insurance companies. Prepare for a successful career in medical billing and coding Get the latest updates on changes in the ICD-10 and PPS Understand how the industry is changing and learn how to stay ahead of the curve Learn about flexible employment options in this rapidly growing industry Medical Billing & Coding For Dummies, 2nd Edition provides aspiring professionals with detailed information and advice on what to expect in a billing and coding career, ways to find a training program, certification options, and ways to stay competitive in the field.

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