

Coding Certificate Program

The coding certificate program for students **without** a medical background consists of **3 2 0 hours** of classroom training and practicum conducted one day per week over a period of **ten months**.

The coding certificate program for students **with** a medical background consists of **240 hours** of classroom training and practicum conducted one day per week over a period of **seven months**.

Students completing the coding certificate program are eligible to sit for the CCS credential examination administered by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) OR for the CPC credential examination administered by the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC).

CCS or CPC Review Class

This class is designed to prepare trained and experienced coders for the CCS credential examination administered by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) OR for the CPC credential examination administered by the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC).

This program consists of **3 2 hours** of classroom review and practice examinations conducted one day per week over a period of **8 weeks**.

Additional Training Opportunities

- ✓ 3M Encoder
- ✓ OSPHD Abstracting
- ✓ Personalized Coding Training
- ✓ Corporate Training

Contact our office for details .

Class Schedules

Class schedules and registration information are available at www.aeandassociatesllc.com.

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Preparing for the Future of Healthcare

Medical Coding Certificate Program

CCS Review Class

Personalized Coding Training



Basics about Medical Coding

Medical **coding** is the process of converting diagnostic and procedural information found in a patient's health record into an alphanumeric code for reimbursement, data management, and reporting purposes. **Abstracting** is the capture of key patient demographic information.

Employment Opportunities

Medical record coders are employed by all types of healthcare organizations including acute care, skilled nursing, rehabilitation, psychiatric, and chemical dependency facilities.

Coders also work in physician's offices, health insurance companies, managed care companies, prisons, and government institutions. Increasing numbers of coders choose to work remotely from home.

Experienced coders are in high demand and pay is commensurate with training and experience.

Average Pay Scales

Current national surveys indicate that credentialed coders can expect to earn approximately \$35,000 to \$40,000 annually. Wages are higher for coders working in urban settings. Coders who hold specialized credentials have income potential in excess of \$85,000 per year.

Tri-County Instructors

All Tri-County instructors are trained and credentialed healthcare professionals with significant experience in healthcare management. Each instructor is motivated to help our students be successful. Information about individual instructors is available on our website at www.aeandassociatesllc.com.

Tri-County Students

While many of Tri-County students have a healthcare background, a significant number do not. Our program is tailored to help all motivated students succeed.

Class Locations

Most classes are held in our corporate offices at Corona, California however other locations are possible with prior arrangement if minimum student numbers are met.

Expectations

Students are expected to purchase (approx \$400) and become familiar with coding books in advance of the first class session, to attend all class sessions, and to complete class assignments by the due date.

Costs

Class fees vary based on the course selected. Current fee information is available at www.aeandassociatesllc.com.

Fee Payment

Fees are due in full at the time of registration. Payment plans are possible if arranged with the Tri-County office at the time of registration.

Prerequisites

Students are strongly encouraged to complete college level courses in human anatomy, human physiology and medical terminology. A written request for exception must be made with submission of application and exceptions will be granted at Tri-County's discretion based on the student's medical background, work experience, and previous educational pursuits.

Admission to Tri-County

Application for admission may be downloaded at aeandassociatesllc.com or by calling the Tri-County office at (951) 534 5100. Confirmation will be sent after application is approved and payment is received.

Class Schedule

Coding certificate classes begin each June. Apply early to insure your place in our next class.

MORE QUESTIONS???

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