CHOOSING HOSPITAL CODING CREDENTIALS

Hospital Coding Credentials Expand

Hospital coding jobs are expanding faster than ever as physicians continue to move from private practices and join hospital groups.

AAPC now has two certifications representing both inpatient and outpatient hospital coding: Certified Outpatient Coder (COC) and Certified Inpatient Coder (CIC).

Let’s compare to see which one is right for you.

CODE SETS TO KNOW

- CPT®, HCPCS Level II, and ICD-10-CM

Dedicated exclusively to outpatient facility coding.

- ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS

Dedicated exclusively to inpatient hospital/facility coding.

LOCATION

Work in a hospital/facility or ASC.

Work in a hospital/facility.

Those who hold the COC™ credential.

Average $57,680/yr

Average $56,544/yr

SALARY

According to AAPC’s 2014 Salary Survey, 11% of members work in the hospital outpatient setting.

According to AAPC’s 2014 Salary Survey, 7.6% of members work in a hospital inpatient setting.

MEMBER STATS

11%

7.6%

Both certified COCs and CICs must have a good understanding of anatomy, physiology, and medical terminology to code medical services and diagnose correctly. They also need knowledge of coding rules and regulations to keep current on issues regarding medical coding, compliance, and reimbursement.

Hospital and facility coding and billing jobs continue to increase. Now is the time to choose the certification best for you.

Learn more about AAPC certifications at: aapc.com/certification

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