



American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists

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This 6 hour Advanced Endocrine Coding: Practical Applications with Certified Endocrine Coder (CEC) Exam will address important aspects of economic, social and political factors that impact the practice of clinical endocrinology.

Registration and Opening 7:45 am to 8 am

Understanding the Business Side of Running an Endocrinology Practice

8 am to 9.30 am = 1.5 contact hour

The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or their staff on proven business tactics in an endocrine clinic. Proven business practices to be covered are related to:

- How to implement an efficient endocrine practice.
- How to ensure filing of accurate claims
- Managing practice overhead
- Managing payer contracts
- How to avoid audits
- The overall importance of appealing denied claims
- Medicare updates for 2008

Medical Record Standards

9:30 am to 10 am = .5 contact hour

The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or staff on the standards of documentation requirements for endocrine related services as set by the AMA, CMS, AACE and other regulatory agencies.

- Medical record documentation standards of HIPAA
- Post-Payment documentation expectations
- Understanding the feasibility of using paper and electronic templates

Morning Break - 10 am to 10:15 am

Medical Record Standards and Diagnostic Coding

10:15 am to 10:45 am = .5 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate the physicians' and/or their staff on selecting ICD-9-CM code(s) to their highest level of specificity as they relate to correct procedural codes.

CPT® and HCPCS II Modifiers

10:45 am to 11:45 am = 1 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or their staff on the importance of modifiers as they relate to reimbursement, and the documentation requirements to use specific modifiers.

Lunch Break - 11:45 am to 1 PM

Correct Coding for Endocrine Services and Procedures

1 pm to 1:30 = .5 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or their staff on understanding the National Correct Coding Initiative as it relates to reimbursement and the principles which they are based upon.

Medical Necessity Criteria for Endocrine Services and Procedures

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm = 1 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and /or their staff on the government's use of National and Local Coverage Decisions as they relate to endocrine services and procedures which include DSMT, MNT, CGMS, Insulin Pumps, Ultrasounds, performing diagnostic tests and Nuclear Medicine.

Afternoon Break 2:30 pm to 2:45 pm

E/M Coding and Documentation tools for an Endocrinologists, Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners

2:45 pm to 3:15 pm = .5 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or their staff on documenting and coding for the higher level E/M codes.

Setting your practice fees and negotiating contracts based upon RVU's

3:15 pm to 3:45 pm = .5 contact hour

- The teaching objective of this segment is to educate physicians' and/or their staff on using RVU's to set their fee schedules and educate them on ways to create relationships beneficial in negotiating their provider contracts.
- Review of frequently asked questions.
- Preparation for the Certified Endocrine Coder Examination.

Pre-Test Break 3:45 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Certified Endocrine Coder Examination 4:00p.m.-6:00p.m.