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Reimbursement & Coding Seminar For
Cardiology

A full day of coding for physicians and staff given by:
Mr. Ray Cathey
Certified Physician Assistant & Administrator

Reimbursement Difficulties?

While costs go up and revenue is lower, it is tough! We can assist NOW!
Correct and accurate coding is the essential ingredient.
Complete & rightful reimbursement is possible!



Thursday, November 13, 2008
Chicago Area, Illinois
Westin Northwest Chicago Hotel
400 Park Blvd.
(Itasca, IL 60143)



(Seminar is from 9 am - 4:00 pm)

Special Section: 2009 Diagnosis Coding Update introduces new & revised codes that impact Cardiology. We'll review those changes & bring the latest CPT changes for 2008 & known 2009.

Bring examples of your coding and reimbursement problems. We'll find the specific Cardiology solutions together!

(PLEASE BRING YOUR ICD-9 & CPT BOOKS)

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Correct Reimbursements From Medicare, Managed Care & Indemnity Payers

- Correlating your coding: Prospective payment means making those diagnoses count! Don't lose out on money that's rightfully yours. The proposed new guidelines will be discussed for your protection.
- Document and code for what you do. We must code from clear & concise procedure notes to withstand any carrier question or audit. We have answers and how to accomplish.
- Modifiers a key to opening the door to accurate reimbursement. Dealing with the latest definition of the -25 modifier could impact an increase or decrease in your revenue. It depends on your understanding and working within the new guidelines. We'll explore Cardiology's use of them all.
- Many cardiology specific procedure codes and definitions for the past few years changed. What about changes and "clarifications" in 2008 + known 2009?
- Bundling vs. unbundling by the payers. Medicare's CCI will give you a great start towards compliance. A new tool is now available.
- There are many CPT code changes, deletions or additions in 2008 + known 2009. Definitions on E & M documentation are expanding. We'll give you the latest changes for Cardiology in 2008 + known 2009.

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Earn Cardiology Coding Techniques That Work!

- Advance information on the expected changes in Medicare billing and the new coding requirements. CPT changed how to use their book. Know the approaches to avoid extra work.
- Using both Volumes I & II to code ICD-9 diagnoses correctly - Coding to the highest degree of specificity is required for accuracy & payment: The "V" & "E" codes - when to use them for less billing hassle. How to include narrative "Rule Outs" in medical record documentation to improve reimbursement. **There are many 2009 ICD-9 changes effective October 1, 2008.**
- Exercises in Coding: Doing it right for Cardiology by reviewing your codes and making them work for you. Latest CMS word on consult vs. referral? When is it medical management of a patient vs. transfer of care?
- Guidelines for HCPCS Coding: We'll show you when to use both levels. Use all of the coding "Extras:" Modifiers, Special Procedures & Reports, Coding ICU visits and your special needs. What about year 2008 + known 2009 changes for diagnoses & procedure codes?

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Advanced Cardiology Coding Techniques Ease Paperwork

- You have worked with the new 2005 codes for Carotid Stenting! How do we capture this service in 2008 + known 2009 as well?
- EECF Plethysmography, T-Waves Alternans - when to bill - the latest guidelines.
- Getting paid on the first insurance form submission. Learn what works! It is different between private, government & managed care insurers. Be aware of computer audits on ICD-9 vs. CPT in Medicare's Correct Coding Policy. You'll learn how to cut down on payment turnaround time.
- The latest on "non-selective" cath placement rules - guidelines, revisions.

CAN'T ATTEND ?

Note:

TAPES/CD ON THIS TOPIC: 2 or 3 audio cassette tapes or CD's, workbook & S/H costs (allow 3 to 4 weeks after we receive your order in house for shipment)

HANDLE SPECIAL CARDIOLOGY SITUATIONS

- Electrophysiology changes
- Proper reimbursement for Echocardiograms w/ Doppler and color flow scans - latest on frequency rules
- Defibrillator or Pacemaker monitoring - telephone or in office - single or dual chamber follow-up guidelines
- Complete coding for heart catheterizations done at the same session as angioplasty - what to charge and what not to charge
- The latest EKG interpretation guidelines from CMS
- How to get properly reimbursed for critical care
- Coding emergency procedures after a consultation
- Radiology supervision codes
- How about the new drug-eluting stents?
- Coding different "approaches" for stents & plasties

Learn How To



Ray Cathey

About Your Seminar Leader . . .

Ray Cathey's background is unique in support of Cardiology practices. He has also assisted thousands of Cardiologists and staff across the U.S. over the past thirteen years. The result has been appropriate payments of insurance claims that would have otherwise been underpaid. Having degrees in health care administration and health care sciences, as a registered nurse, and as one of the initial certifications in the Physician Assistant Program, you will find Ray's knowledge extensive. His training and consulting work is based on current work-place experience and success in recovering maximum, rightful reimbursements for Cardiologists in both the fee-for-service and managed care/capitation arenas. No one has trained more Cardiology offices in insurance reimbursement across the nation. We count Ray Cathey as one of the top three Cardiology insurance coding and practice management experts in the country. We invite you to discover why and register today.

Terry L. McVey, President

Beginning October 2008 there are over 500 new, revised or deleted ICD-9 codes. This is the biggest change in 5 years. We'll have the latest for you on these 2009 changes.

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ACT NOW!

Recordings

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Send recording on this topic. Audio cassette tape or CD of this topic. **\$230.00.** (Tapes & bk will arrive 3 to 4 weeks after order is received.)

Attending & want the tapes or CD also?

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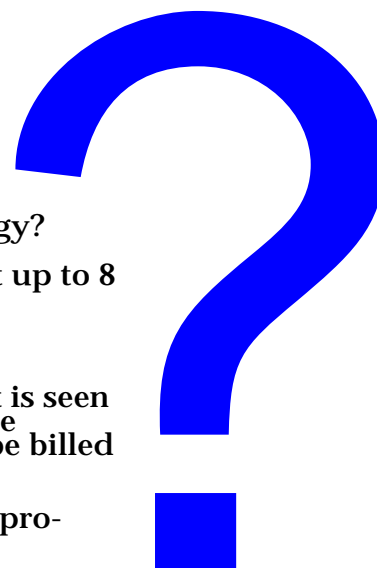
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WE PROVIDE ANSWERS



- Does Medicare's "Pay for Performance" work for cardiology?
- We bill Medicare electronically and heard we can now list up to 8 diagnoses. Is it true?
- Can I bill for 3 or more stents in the same vessel?
- Our practice does a lot of consults. Sometimes the patient is seen for two or three follow-up visits. Should the extra visits be considered part of the consulting process or should they be billed using a different visit code?
- Can I bill for the S & I's (93555 & 93556) for each injection procedure during a heart cath?
- Our office has problems coding concurrent care. Is there a secret to getting paid correctly the first time without delays?
- My physician is making aorto-iliac injections. How do I code for these?
- What's the best way to get reimbursement on an echocardiogram when the result is a normal test?
- What's your suggestion on getting paid for a bilateral iliofemoral injection procedure?
- Visit & procedures on same day - How do I code? Is there a modifier issue?

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