

# Course & Title: HIM 250: ICD Coding

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## Credit Hours:

Four semester hours

## Prerequisites:

HIM 100, AH 290, and BIOL 131 or consent of instructor

## Description:

Discussion of various nomenclature and classification systems. Guidelines used to assign codes to disease and operations in the ICD classification system.

## Textbooks:

All books are mandatory. Books can be obtained from the WKU Bookstore or appropriate publisher.

- Shraffenberger, Lou Ann: **Basic ICD-10-CM/PCS 2020**, ISBN: 9781584267447; Publisher is AHIMA
- **ICD 10 PCS 2020 The Complete Official Codebook**: Product # OP201120; Publisher is AMA
- **ICD 10 CM 2020 The Complete Official Codebook**: Product # OP201420; Publisher is AMA

## Additional Course Resources Utilized:

- 3M Coding and Grouper Software and Reference Materials for ICD-9-CM, ICD-10-CM, and ICD-10-PCS
- ICD-10-CM Indices and Tables (cms.gov website)

- Index to Disease and Injuries
- Tabular List
- Index and Tabular of External Causes of Injuries
- Table of Neoplasms
- Table of Drugs and Chemicals

•ICD-10-PCS Indices and Tables (cms.gov website)

•ICD-9-CM Indices and Tables (cms.gov website)

### **Examinations:**

Make-up exams will only be given on Wednesday morning of Finals Week. Each student will only be permitted one makeup exam.

### **Activities/Assignments:**

All assignments must be turned in by the due date. Failure to comply with this will result in a zero for the assignment.

When completing work on blackboard, it is the responsibility of the student to make sure the grades are listed on the grade center.

### **Evaluation:**

The final grade will be derived from the following:

Written examinations	80%
Laboratory	20%

The following grading system will be used:

100% - 90%	A
89% - 80%	B
79% - 70%	C
69% - 60%	D
59% - 50%	F

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**Attendance:** Students are expected to Complete all assignments in a timely manner.

**Instructional Methods:**

Power Points and other electronic venues  
Review of Medical Records  
Utilization of Computer  
Lab Activities  
Others, as appropriate

**Schedule Note:**

**One of the first things that you need to do is to place the schedule of this class in your calendar in order to keep up with when assignments/quizzes are to be completed.**

**At the beginning of the semester 15 of your modules will be open for you to complete. You should complete at least, one module per week. When you are finished with a module you may work ahead on the next modules.**

**Modules 1-6 must be completed by the end of week Eight. After week eight you will not be allowed to complete anything in Modules 1-6. IMPORTANT Information: Have all assignments and Quizzes for Modules 1-6 completed by March 22nd @ 11:59 pm**

**Modules 8-16 will be due before May 10th @ 11:59 pm. Have all assignments and Quizzes for Modules 8-16 completed by May 13th @ 11:59pm**

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## HIM 250-Clinical Classification Systems

	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>Reading Assignment</b>	<b>Coding Assignment</b>	<b>Quizzes</b>
Module 1	Chapter 3Introduction to UHDDS and Official Coding ICD-10-CM Guidelines  Chapter 1- ICD-10-CM	Chapter 3  Chapter 1	Chapter 3  Chapter 1	Chapters 1 &3
Module 2	Chapter 4- Certain Infectious and Parasitic Diseases  Chapter 6-Endocrine, Nutritional, Metabolic Diseases and Immunity Disorders  Chapter 7-Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs and Certain Disorders Involving the Immune Mechanism	Chapter 4, 6, 7	Chapter Reviews for 4, 6, 7	Chapter 4, 6, 7
Module 3	Chapter 5-Neoplasms  Chapter 8- Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopmental Disorders	Chapters 5, 8	Chapter Reviews for 5, 8	Chapters 5, 8
Module 4	Chapter 9-Diseases of the Nervous System  Chapter 10- Diseases of the Eye and adnexa  Chapter 11- Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process	Chapters 9, 10, 11	Chapter Reviews for 9, 10, 11	Chapters 9, 10, 11

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<b>Module 5</b>	Chapter 12- Diseases of the Circulatory System  Chapter 13-Diseases of the Respiratory System  Chapter 14-Diseases of the Digestive System  Chapter 15- Disease of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue	Chapters 12, 13, 14, & 15	Chapter Reviews for 12, 13, 14, & 15	Chapters 12, 13, 14, & 15
<b>Module 6</b>	Chapter 16- Diseases of Musculoskeletal & Connective Tissue  Chapter 17- Diseases of the Genitourinary System  Chapter 18- Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium  Chapter 19-Certain Conditions originating in Perinatal Period	Chapters 16, 17, 18, & 19	Chapter Reviews 16, 17, 18, & 19	Chapters 16, 17, 18, & 19
<b>Module 7</b>	Spring Break!!  Be safe and have fun.			
<b>Module 8</b>	Chapter 20- Congenital Malformations, Deformations, and Chromosomal Abnormalities  Chapter 21- Symptoms, Signs, and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory Findings, Not Elsewhere Classified  Chapter 22A- Injury  Chapter 22B- Poisonings and Certain Other Consequences of External Causes	Chapters 20, 21, 22A, & 22B	Chapter Review 20, 21, 22A, & 22B	Chapters 20, 21, 22A, & 22B
<b>Module 9</b>	Chapter 23- External Causes of Morbidity  Chapter 24-Factors Influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services	Chapters 23 & 24	Chapters 23 & 24	Chapters 23 & 24
<b>Module 10</b>	Chapter 2- Introduction to ICD-10-PCS	Chapter 2	Chapter 2	Chapter 2
<b>Module 11</b>	Chapters 4-14: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 4-14: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 4-14: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 4-14: ICD-10-PCS
<b>Module 12</b>	Chapters 15-24: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 15-24: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 15-24: ICD-10-PCS	Chapters 15-24: ICD-10-PCS
<b>Module 13</b>	ICD-9-CM Overview and 3M Encoder Coding  ICD-9-CM- Procedures and coding self-test  ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding Analysis Lab		Using the 3M Encoder you will complete assignments	ICD 9 CM coding using the Encoder
<b>Module 14</b>	Chapter 25:Coding and Reimbursement; MS-DRGs/Grouper- 3M Grouper	Chapter 25	Chapter 25	Chapter 25

	TOPIC	Reading Assignment	Coding Assignment	Quizzes
Module 15	Coding Compliance Assignment Professional Ethics Assignment		Coding Self-Test # 1-65	
Module 16	<b>FINAL EXAM</b> <b>Complete the final exam before 4:00 pm on May 8th</b>			

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**Attendance Policy:** Students will be expected to attend each class session.

### Student Learning Outcomes:

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Student Learning Outcomes		
<b>Subdomain I.A. Classification Systems</b>		
1. Apply diagnosis/procedure codes according to current guidelines, 3	* Principles and applications of Classification Systems (ICD, CPT, HCPCS, SNOMED, DSM)	
	* Nomenclatures	
	* Terminologies (SNOMED)	
	* Clinical Vocabularies	
2. Evaluate the accuracy of diagnostic and procedural coding, 5	* Principles and applications of classification, taxonomies, nomenclatures, terminologies, clinical vocabularies, auditing	
3. Apply diagnostic/procedural groupings, 3	* Principles and applications of diagnostic and procedural grouping (DRG, MSDRG, APC, RUGS)	
4. Evaluate the accuracy of diagnostic/procedural groupings, 5	* Principles and applications of diagnostic and procedural grouping	
<b>Subdomain I.B. Health Record Content and Documentation</b>		
1. Analyze the documentation in the health record to ensure it supports the diagnosis and reflects the patient's progress,	* Content of health record	

<b>Student Learning Outcomes</b>		
clinical findings and discharge status, 4		
<b>Subdomain I.D. Data Management</b>		
1. Collect and maintain health data, 2	* Data mapping	
<b>Domain III. Informatics, Analytics and Data Use</b>		
<b>Subdomain III.A. Health Information Technologies</b>		
1. Utilize software in the completion of HIM processes, 3	* Record tracking, release of information, coding, grouping, registries, billing, quality improvement, imaging, natural language processing, EHRs, PHRs, document imaging	
<b>Domain IV. Revenue Management</b>		
<b>Subdomain IV. A. Revenue Cycle and Reimbursement</b>		
1. Apply policies and procedures for the use of data required in healthcare reimbursement, 3	* Payment methodologies and systems (Capitation, PPS, RBRVS, case mix, indices, MSDRGs, healthcare insurance policies, Accountable Care Organizations)	
<b>Domain V. Compliance</b>		
<b>Subdomain V.A. Regulatory</b>		
3. Adhere to the legal and regulatory requirements related to health information management, 3	* Legislative and regulatory processes (Coding quality monitoring, compliance strategies, and reporting)	
<b>Subdomain V.B. Coding</b>		
1. Analyze current regulations and established guidelines in clinical classification systems, 4	* Severity of illness systems (Present on admission)	
	* UHDDS guidelines	
2. Determine accuracy of computer assisted coding assignment and recommend corrective action, 5	* Coding specialty systems	
<b>Subdomain V.C. Fraud Surveillance</b>		
	* Whistle blower, STARK, Anti-Kickback, unbundling, upcoding	

<b>Student Learning Outcomes</b>		
1. Identify potential abuse or fraudulent trends through data analysis, 3	* Role of OIG, RAC (Fraud/Abuse)	
<b>Subdomain V.D. Clinical Documentation Improvement</b>		
1. Identify discrepancies between supporting documentation and coded data, 3	* Clinical outcomes measures and monitoring	
2. Develop appropriate physician queries to resolve data and coding discrepancies, 6	* AHIMA CDI toolbox	
	* Professional communication skills	
	* Clinical documentation improvements (Physician Role, HIM Role in CDI)	
<b>Subdomain VI.H. Ethics</b>		
1. Comply with ethical standards of practice, 5	* Professional and practice-related ethical issues	
	* AHIMA Code of Ethics	

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## **HIM 250- ICD CODING**

### **Course Content**

- I. Coding, Classification, and Reimbursement Systems
  - a. Importance of coding
  - b. Coding Concept
  - c. Purposes of Coding
  - d. Coding Systems and Reimbursement
  - e. Inpatient Coding Process
  - f. Diagnosis Related Groups (DRGs/MS-DRGs)
  - g. Coding Outpatient or Ambulatory Care Records
  - h. Impact of Computers on the Coding and Reimbursement Process
  - i. Quality of the Coded Data
  - j. Causes of Errors in Coding
  - k. Correct Coding Initiative
  - l. Coding Resources
  - m. Other Coding and Classification Systems
    - i. DSM-V
    - ii. ICDO



- iii. SNOMED
  - iv. CPT
- II. ICD-10-CM
  - a. Reasons for Replacing ICD-9-CM
  - b. Benefits of Converting to ICD-10-CM
  - c. Comparison of ICD-10-CM to ICD-9-CM
  - d. ICD-10-CM Structure and Characteristics
  - e. Implementation and Training
- III. ICD-10-PCS
  - a. History and Development of ICD-10-PCS
  - b. Comparing ICD-9-CM Volume 3 to ICD-10-PCS
  - c. ICD-10-PCS Code Structure
- IV. Coding in ICD-9-CM, ICD-10-CM, and ICD-10-PCS, as appropriate
  - a. Introduction
    - i. Symbols, Punctuation and Abbreviations
      - 1. Parenthesis
      - 2. Square brackets
      - 3. Slanted square brackets
      - 4. Colon
      - 5. Braces
      - 6. Section Mark
      - 7. Lozenge
      - 8. NOS
      - 9. NEC
    - ii. Coding Principles
    - iii. Coding Guidelines
    - iv. Conventions
      - 1. Includes
      - 2. Excludes
      - 3. Code also
      - 4. Omit coding
      - 5. Code also underlying disease
      - 6. Use additional code, if desired
      - 7. See
      - 8. See also
      - 9. Notes
  - b. Coding for Procedures
    - i. Surgical Procedures vs. Non-surgical Procedures
    - ii. Endoscopies
    - iii. Biopsies
    - iv. Surgical Approach and Closure
    - v. Surgery Not Attempted/Canceled or Incomplete
  - c. Introduction to the PPS and the UHDDS
  - d. Coding Guidelines

- i. Suspected Conditions
  - ii. Rule Out Conditions
  - iii. Acute and Chronic Conditions
  - iv. Principal Diagnosis
  - v. Principal Procedure
  - vi. Contrasting/Comparative Diagnoses/Etiologies
  - vii. Two or More Diagnoses of Equal Importance
  - viii. Symptoms
  - ix. Multiple Conditions
  - x. Sequencing Rules
- e. Infectious and Parasitic Diseases
- f. Neoplasms
- g. Endocrine, Nutritional, and Metabolic Diseases and Immunity Disorders
- h. Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs
- i. Mental Disorders
- j. Diseases of the Nervous System
- k. Diseases of the Eyes
- l. Disease of the Ears
- m. Diseases of the Circulatory System
- n. Diseases of the Respiratory System
- o. Diseases of the Digestive System
- p. Diseases of the Genitourinary System
- q. Complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium
- r. Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue
- s. Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System and Connective Tissue
- t. Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period
- u. Symptoms, Signs, and Ill-Defined Conditions
- v. Injury and Poisoning
- w. External Cause codes and encounter codes
- x. Factors Influencing Health Status
- V. Ethics in Coding
  - a. AHIMA's Standards of Ethical Coding

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## **HIM 250- Clinical Classification Systems**

### **Course Objectives**

- I. Coding, Classification, and Reimbursement Systems
  - a. Define key words in coding and reimbursement
  - b. Identify the abbreviations commonly used in coding and classification
  - c. List the purposes of coding
  - d. Distinguish between coding, nomenclature, and classification systems
  - e. Describe the major coding systems currently in use and the setting where they are used.
  - f. Describe the mechanisms used to update and revise ICD and CPT
  - g. Outline the process to assign codes to diagnoses and procedures in the various health care settings
  - h. Summarize the factors that affect coding for reimbursement
  - i. Describe the relationship between coded data and reimbursement for health care services
  - j. Recognize the reimbursement systems used in health care
  - k. Describe the use of computers in the coding process
  - l. Respond ethically to situations that a coder might face
  - m. Discuss the factors that constitute quality coded data and common causes of coding errors
  - n. Describe Correct Coding Initiative
  - o. Define the basic steps in coding
  - p. Explain how to code for procedures
  - q. Describe the impact of HIPAA on coding
  - r. Explain PPS and the Uniform Hospital Discharge Data Set
  - s. Identify billing forms
  - t. Explain the selection of the principal diagnosis
  - u. Explain how additional codes assigned and sequenced
- II. ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS
  - a. Describe the basic structure of ICD-10-CM
  - b. Describe the basic structure of ICD-10-PCS
- III. ICD-9-CM
  - a. Describe how ICD-9-CM differs from ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS
  - b. Describe how ICD-9-CM will be utilized post ICD-10 implementation

- IV. ICD-9-CM, ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS
  - a. Describe the rules affecting Infectious and Parasitic Diseases
  - b. Describe the rules affecting Neoplasms
  - c. Describe the rules affecting Endocrine, Nutritional, and Metabolic Disease and Immunity Disorders
  - d. Describe the rules affecting Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs
  - e. Describe the rules affecting Mental Disorders
  - f. Describe the rules affecting Diseases of the Nervous System
  - g. Describe the rules affecting Eyes
  - h. Describe the rules affecting Ears
  - i. Describe the rules affecting Circulatory System
  - j. Describe the rules affecting Respiratory System
  - k. Describe the rules affecting Digestive System
  - l. Describe the rules affecting Genitourinary System
  - m. Describe the rules affecting Complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium
  - n. Describe the rules affecting Disease of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue
  - o. Describe the rules affecting Musculoskeletal System and Connective Tissue
  - p. Describe the rules affecting Congenital Anomalies
  - q. Describe the rules affecting Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period
  - r. Describe the rules affecting Symptoms, Signs, and Ill-Defined Conditions
  - s. Describe the rules affecting Injury and Poisoning
  - t. Explain the purpose of External Cause Codes
  - u. Describe the purpose of Factors Influencing Health Status
  
- V. Ethics in Coding
  - a. Describe AHIMA's Standards of Ethical Coding

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