

Medical Documentation and Coding Improvement Workshop

Proven Strategies to Minimize A/R Days and Improve Bottom-Line Performance

The Facts about Medical Documentation

- ❑ Coded data is dependent on medical documentation
- ❑ Outside organizations profile hospitals - for severity and outcome - based on medical documentation and on coded data submitted on Medicare claim forms
- ❑ DRG payers reimburse hospitals based on coded data from medical documentation submitted on Medicare claim forms
- ❑ In order for these claims to be fair and accurate, the medical documentation needs to accurately reflect the severity of the patient's illness
- ❑ Medicare rules and regulations do not always go hand in hand with the medical documentation
- ❑ Ingrained physician documentation patterns are difficult to change, but in need of improvement

Workshop Leader

Virginia Berglund M.D. is President and CEO of Berglund and Associates. Dr. Berglund is a nationally recognized expert in inpatient physician documentation and coding compliance. With 20 years of experience, as an internal medicine physician, plus 7 years of experience delivering client services and education regarding CMS Compliance and Clinical Documentation, Dr. Virginia Berglund, a board-certified Internal Medicine physician, has brought to hospitals what no other firm has brought before--the unique physician perspective and experience as it relates to physician documentation, education and compliance. In addition, Dr. Berglund has provided education in seminars at a national level.

About the Program

May 16, 2008 - Marriott Milwaukee West

- 8:30 - 10:10 AM** Introduction to the new MS DRG's and the recommended query process
In this session the workshop leader will focus on coding compliance and the importance of having the MS DRG assignment supported within the body of the chart in terms of pertinent positives and negatives, lab abnormalities and explicit documentation of the principal and secondary diagnoses under consideration
- 10:10 - 10:30 AM** Break
- 10:30 - 12 noon** Discussion of the pertinent positives and negatives as they relate to a few of the key severity diagnoses (pneumonia, sepsis, acute respiratory failure, acute renal failure)
- 12 noon - 1 PM** Lunch
- 1:00 - 3:00 PM** Hands-on chart auditing of Medicare charts with Dr. Berglund both for coding compliance and improvement
- 3:00 - 3:20 PM** Break
- 3:20 - 4:30 PM** Open panel discussion with questions (Attendees are encouraged to bring one copy of a chart with all identifiers removed from their hospital for review)
- 4:30 PM** Workshop close

Continuing Education

This program has been approved for 8 continuing education units

Who Should Attend?

Health Information Managers • Clinical Documentation Specialists • Hospital Coding Specialists
Billing Specialists • Patient Financial Service Managers • Concurrent Review Nurses • Case Managers
Utilization Reviewers • Physicians • Physician Liaisons and any hospital-based staff desiring to improve documentation for severity of illness and still maintain coding compliance

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Registration Form

Complete one form for each registrant

To receive a confirmation, include your e-mail address

Early Bird
Registration
Deadline is May 1

Name: _____ AHIMA # _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Payment in full must accompany all registrations

Method of Payment (3 Payment Options)

Check Purchase Order (Include copy of actual purchase order) Credit Card (accept only Visa and MasterCard)

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration (XX/YY): _____

Name on Credit Card _____ Zip code (required): _____

Signature _____

Registration Fees

Early Bird Fees extended until
Monday, May 12th at 4 p.m.

Early – Bird Fees (1st Registrant) (before May 1)

WHIMA, Member ----- \$249

Non-Member ----- \$275

Each Addl Registrant from same facility -----\$225

Registration Fees (1st Registrant) (after May 1)

WHIMA, Member ----- \$275

Non-Member ----- \$325

Each Addl Registrant from same facility --- \$245

*To receive the early-bird discount, registration with payment must be received by May 1. Registrations sent by mail must be postmarked no later than May 1, 2008. To receive the discounted fee for each additional registration from the same facility, all registrations from the same facility must be received together and marked that you are registering as a group!

Hotel Information

Special Room Rate: \$89 plus tax
Reservations need to be made by May 1, 2008 by calling the reservation phone number 877-651-7666

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By Fax with credit card at (608)787-0169

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Cancellation and Substitution Policy

For cancellations, a \$50 processing fee will be charged. You must cancel in writing by May 8, 2008 for a refund. No refunds will be made for no-shows. WHIMA reserves the right to cancel this workshop due to limited registrations. Attempts will be made to contact all registrants. WHIMA also reserves the right to substitute speakers. Registrants unable to attend may send an alternate; however, if the alternate is not a member, the non-member fee will be required.

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This program is designed to:

- Address CMS rules and regulations;
- Severity diagnoses;
- Pathophysiology as it relates to coding;
- Pertinent positives and negatives as they relate to the various disease processes;
- Identification of “implied” diagnoses;
- Appropriate query process while maintaining compliance with regulatory standards; and,
- Training for coders, nurses, and physician liaisons by a physician consultant.