



## Risk Adjustment HCC Coder/Auditor Training Course 2020

### OVERVIEW:

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This highly specialized online course is brought to you by AHIMA and MARSI.

AHIMA is the premier association for HIM professionals and is a respected authority for rigorous professional education and training.

Medical Audit Resource Services, Inc., MARSI is an industry leader in risk adjustment documentation, coding, & auditing.

This course provides **40 hours of AHIMA CEUs** upon successful completion of the final exam (minimum 80%). Learners will earn a certificate of completion from AHIMA.

### PREREQUISITES:

1. Anatomy and Physiology
2. Medical Terminology
3. Working knowledge of ICD-10-CM

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Accurate coding of thorough documentation is essential to help ensure appropriate reimbursement for delivered healthcare services. Risk Adjustment and Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) coding, a payment model mandated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in 1997, is no exception. HCCs are used pervasively in value-based reimbursement, including risk-adjusted methodologies such as Medicare Advantage, ACOs, and the Affordable Care Act.

The course provides students with a more comprehensive understanding of the auditing process. Auditing is an integral part of HCC coding as providers and their staff often lack the necessary knowledge to either document and/or code in accordance with Risk Adjustment guidelines. HCC specialists must be able to formulate unique queries that seek clarification regarding provider documentation in the medical record for accurate coding. This course provides the specialized training to be successful in this role.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

1. Develop a thorough understanding of ICD-10-CM Guidelines, including Coding Clinic and the CMS Participant Guide.
2. Understand how to apply guidelines to medical chart documentation.
3. Identify which diagnoses Risk Adjust and become familiar with common disease processes.
4. Understand how CMS hierarchy applies to payment.
5. Learn to identify insufficient or incomplete documentation and its impact on HCCs.
6. Be able to explain the best practice use of queries and how to formulate those queries.

## CURRICULUM:

The five-section course is broken into modules to create natural places within the course to pause and return later. Learners must score a minimum of 80% on each section quiz before moving forward to the next section.

## COURSE OVERVIEW:

- Included in the course are reference materials and study guides; however, learners are required to **purchase a current ICD-10-CM publication**
- Section 1 - Welcome to the World of HCC
- Section 2 - Documentation and Coding Guidelines for HCC
- Section 3 - Coding Guidelines and Conditions by Chapter according to ICD-10-CM
- Section 4 - HCC Auditing Process
- Section 5 - Query Process for Auditing HCCs
- Final Exam

## COURSE OUTLINE:

### SECTION 1

#### Welcome to the World of HCC

##### MODULE 1:

- Medicare Advantage and HCC
- What is HCC?
- Risk Adjustment Payment Methodology
- Quiz

### SECTION 2

#### Documentation and Coding Guidelines for HCC

- HCC Documentation Guidelines
- ICD-10 Coding including Outpatient Guidelines, Conventions, & General Coding Guidelines
- HCC Coding
- Chart Note Documentation
- Quiz

##### SECTION 2 TEST

### SECTION 3

#### Coding Guidelines and Conditions by Chapter according to ICD-10-CM

##### MODULE 1:

- Chapter 1 & 2
- Quiz

##### MODULE 2:

- Chapter 3 & 4
- Quiz

##### MODULE 3:

- Chapters 5, 6 & 7
- Quiz

##### MODULE 4:

- Chapter 9
- Quiz

##### MODULE 5:

- Chapters 10, 11 & 12
- Quiz

##### MODULE 6:

- Chapters 13, 14, 17 & 18
- Quiz

##### MODULE 7:

- Chapters 19, 20 & 21
- Quiz

##### SECTION 3 TEST

### SECTION 4

#### HCC Auditing Process

##### MODULE 1:

- Review of the Basics
- Quiz

##### MODULE 2:

- Concepts Behind the Categories
- Quiz

##### MODULE 3:

- Categories Used to Report HCCs
- Quiz

##### SECTION 4 TEST

### SECTION 5

#### Query Process for Auditing HCCs

##### MODULE 1:

- Query Process & Types of Queries
- Quiz

##### MODULE 2:

- Query Process for Chapters 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Quiz

##### MODULE 3:

- Query Process for Chapters 5, 6, 7 & 9
- Quiz

##### MODULE 4:

- Query Process for Chapters 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14
- Quiz

##### MODULE 5:

- Query Process for Chapters 17, 18, 19, 20 & 21
- Quiz

**FINAL EXAM** – Included within the course is the final exam, which is 100 questions and takes approximately four hours.