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Metairie, LA

9:00am-5:00pm

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Schedule

9:00am-9:45am
Medicare Update

Coding Updates:

New bundled codes for most common nuclear services
New Codes for cardiac CTA

9:45am-10:00am
Break

10:00am - 11:30am
2010 CPT Coding Updates

Coding changes are significant and will call for preparation in order to implement successfully. You will need to understand the changes well enough yourself to teach commercial payors how to use them. Don't get caught off guard. Make sure you understand how to use the new codes and are prepared to implement these changes without impacting your cash flow.

11:30pm-12:30pm
Lunch

12:30pm-1:45pm
Medicare Final Rule - How will it impact you?

The proposed fee schedule contained a number of significant proposals. There was discussion on extensive PQRI changes for cardiology, devastating fee reductions, and even a proposal to do away with the consultation codes. How did all of this end up? The answers are in the Medicare Final rule and we'll review the most significant impact areas for cardiology including what you can expect in the way of the overall financial impact of the 2010 fee schedule.

1:45pm-2:00pm
Break

2:00pm - 5:00pm
Peripheral Vascular Coding Tips

You asked for it, and here it is. A power packed 3 hour crash course in invasive peripheral vascular coding. Buckle your seat belts as we review how to code for these often complex procedures. First orders, second orders, selective versus nonselective - we'll guide you through the most typical procedures for cardiology such as carotids, renals, and lower extremities. From diagnostic cases to complex interventions we'll show you what to look for in your physician's dictation and how to ensure they are receiving the appropriate reimbursement.



Hotel Reservations

- Room rate is \$99 plus tax
- Reserve your room before 11/14/09
- Call 1-800-325-3535 and mention LA Chapter American College of Cardiology



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