

MEDICAL CODER



One-Year Embedded Technical Diploma

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Medical Coders review medical documentation health care providers provide and translate it into an alphanumeric classification system. Using universally recognized coding systems, the coding specialist assigns and sequences diagnostic and procedural codes, which insurance companies use to process health care claims, as well as for data analysis, statistics, medical research, and more. This program prepares individuals to perform specialized medical coding in physician offices, medical clinics, and acute care facilities, plus record-keeping procedures related to medical diagnostic, treatment, billing and insurance documentation.

Medical Coder graduates will be able to:

- Examine health documentation, and determine diagnoses and procedures.
- Assign medical codes to both diagnoses and procedures.
- Collect health data.
- Model professional behaviors and ethics
- Use electronic applications to support coding and data collection
- Apply coding and reimbursement systems.

Semester 1		Credits
501-101	Medical Terminology	3
501-107	Digital Literacy for Health Care	2
530-162	Foundations of Health Information Management	3
806-177	General Anatomy and Physiology	4
Credits		12
Semester 2		
530-197	International Classification of Disease (ICD) Diagnosis Coding	3

530-199	International Classification of Disease (ICD-PCS) Procedure Coding	2
530-182	Human Disease for Health Professionals	3
Credits		8
Semester 3		
530-159	Healthcare Revenue Management	3
530-184	Current Procedural Terminology Coding (First 8 Weeks)	3
530-165	Intermediate Coding (Second 8 Weeks)	3
Credits		9
Total Credits		29

The Medical Coder program prepares individuals for employment as entry-level coding specialists in health care facilities such as hospitals, clinics, physician practice groups, surgery centers, long-term care facilities, and home health care agencies. Coding professionals are also employed by consulting firms, coding and billing services, insurance companies, governmental agencies and computer software companies.