

HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (HIM)

Legal & Ethical Aspects of Healthcare

HIM 101 3 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in, or completion of HIM 114 (grade of "C" or higher). Credit cannot be earned for this course and BMED 140. Admission into the AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program.

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to legal and ethical concepts with particular focus on health information management. General overview of US legal system as it pertains to healthcare. Highlighted information on HIPAA, ARRA, HITECH, and Federal Trade Commission's Red Flag Rule. Topics include liability of hospital and providers of care as well as current pertinent legislation, legal status of medical staff, access to health information, laws relating to ethical issues, and court orders. [GE]

Introduction to Pathophysiology

HIM 112 3 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: AH 100, AH 104, and AH 110 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to the general mechanisms of systemic disease including etiology, physical signs and symptoms. Etiology focus will include infectious mechanisms, hereditary contributions, external physical agents and autoimmune conditions. Discussions of differences between disease and illness to include basic principles of pharmacology laboratory and diagnostic tests, overview of common therapies, prognosis and public health issues. [GE]

Pharmacology

HIM 113 3 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: AH 110 (grade of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to the basics of medication administration including trade and generic names of prescription and over-the-counter medications commonly prescribed, medication classifications, routes of administration, dosages, effects and implications and appropriate methods of documentation. [GE]

Medical Office Administrative Procedures

HIM 114 4 Credits/Units

2.0 hours of lecture / 4.0 hours of lab

Prerequisite: AH 100, AH 104, and AH 110 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to medical office administrative positions. Gain introductory administrative competencies compliant with health information management standards. The lab portion includes medical office competencies and relevant electronic medical records software. [GE]

Medical Coding I

HIM 130 4 Credits/Units

4.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: AH 100 and AH 110 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introductory instruction and practice of diagnostic and procedural coding for outpatient health care settings. Exploration of guidelines, conventions, symbols, terminology, medical necessity, and methods of ICD and CPT code sets. Step-by-step guidance provided through health record case studies. [GE]

Revenue Cycle Management

HIM 131 4 Credits/Units

4.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: AH 100 and AH 110 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. A comprehensive study of the revenue cycle management, health insurance terminology, insurance plans, health insurance claim forms, and reimbursement methodologies for outpatient and inpatient healthcare services. Topics include, introducing how medical coding is part of the reimbursement cycle, HIPAA compliance issues, fraud and abuse. Step by step guidance for proper completion of billing forms by means of homework exercises and case studies. [GE]

Health Information Governance

HIM 201 5 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture / 4.0 hours of lab

Prerequisite: HIM 114 and HIM 232 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to foundational concepts of health information management and data content structures & standards. Topics include: clinical vocabularies & classification system; health record documentation requirements; data accuracy & integrity; data integration & interoperability; and the needs for data, information standards and data management policies & procedures. [GE]

Health Care Quality

HIM 202 3 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: HIM 201 (grade of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to the principles, processes and procedures associated with measuring, managing and improving quality in the delivery of health care, health services and health care management. Presenting various national efforts, systems and tools used in quality assessment, performance, improvement and measurement. [GE]

Professional Development

HIM 206 2 Credits/Units

2.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: HIM 101, HIM 130, HIM 131, and HIM 232 (grades of "C" or higher). Concurrent enrollment in HIM 226. Admission into the Health Information Management or Medical Billing & Coding program. Admission into the program is required for enrollment. Offers students the opportunity to build a comprehensive professional portfolio and navigate the job search process with confidence in Health Information Management. Emphasis is placed on developing and applying essential soft skills for success in today's healthcare business environment. Students will explore effective career planning strategies, resume and cover letter writing, interviewing techniques, and professional networking. Highlights the importance of communication, teamwork, problem-solving, and other interpersonal skills that support career success and advancement. Designed specifically for Health Information Management including Medical Billing and Coding, helps students strengthen their professional image, enhance workplace relationships, and expand their opportunities for career growth. [GE, HR, SE]

Health Informatics, Analytics, and Data Use

HIM 211 5 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture / 4.0 hours of lab

Prerequisite: BUS 169, HIM 201 and MATH& 146 (grades of "C" or higher). Admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program. Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to health informatics, the application of computers, communication and information technologies combined with systems used in problem solving, decision making to improve health and health care. Topics include a survey of history, basic knowledge of health informatics, data management, standards and tools used in the support of health care delivery. Emphasis on impact of information technology on the health care industry and vice versa. Intended as a survey of the emerging field of health informatics to learn its significance, its breadth, and its opportunities. Group activities around data mining and analyzing. [GE]

Health Organization, Management & Leadership

HIM 215 3 Credits/Units

3.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: HIM 211 (grade of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program

Admission into the program required for enrollment. Introduction to managerial skills and behaviors applied to components of health care organizations at several levels including: individual, interpersonal, group, intergroup, system, and inter-organization; managerial challenges faced by health care managers and skills essential for successfully planning, organizing, directing, and controlling. Topics include strategic and operational planning, human resource management, motivation, communication, conflict resolution, organizational structures, health care budgeting and finance. [GE]

Professional Practice Practicum

HIM 226 2-4 Credits/Units

12.0 hours of clinical

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in HIM 206. Admission into the Health Information Management or Medical Billing & Coding program. Admission into the program is required for enrollment. This practicum provides students with supervised, hands-on experience in health information management functions, utilizing medical record technologies in classroom simulations or local healthcare facilities. Students apply theoretical knowledge and technical skills to real-world administrative procedures while developing professional competencies and attitudes necessary for effective interaction with healthcare professionals and consumers. Credit hours vary based on clinical placement and total practicum hours. [GE]

Medical Coding II

HIM 232 5 Credits/Units

5.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: HIM 112 and HIM 130 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program. Admission into the program required for enrollment. Intermediate application of diagnostic and procedural coding systems ICD, CPT, and HCPCS. Continuation of concepts covered in Medical Coding I, HIM 130. Topics include content and structure of diagnostic and procedural coding systems, steps for abstracting information from health records, coding problem solving, and compliance with national coding guidelines. [GE]

Medical Coding III & Coding Exam Prep

HIM 233 5 Credits/Units

5.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: HIM 113 and HIM 232 (grades of "C" or higher) and admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program. Admission into the program required for enrollment. Advanced application of diagnostic and procedural coding systems. In depth application of ICD, CPT, HCPCS, and PCS. Topics include medical coding problem solving and measures for data quality and compliance, diagnostic related groups (DRGs), and other prospective payment systems. Credentialing exam prep is integrated throughout the course with emphasis on body systems, pathophysiology and pharmacology. [GE]

Selected Topics

HIM 280 1-4 Credits/Units

4.0 hours of lecture

Prerequisite: Admission into AAT Health Information Management or CP Medical Billing/Coding Specialist program. Admission into the program required for enrollment. Selected topics in Health Information Management. Topics vary and course theme and content change to reflect new topics. Because the course varies in content, it is repeatable for credit. Individual topics are listed in the term class schedules. [GE]