

The Hawaii Professional Coders Education Fund
and
The AAPC Honolulu Chapter Present
15th Annual Hawaii Coding Conference

“He Mau Hoa Na’auao”

‘Partners in Learning’

September 6th and 7th, 2019
Prince Waikiki Hotel

The Hawaii Professional Coders Education Fund and the AAPC Honolulu Chapter strive to bring educational excellence to the Hawai’i coding community. This year’s theme, ‘Partners in Learning’ aptly describes our partnership and commitment to Hawai’i’s coders. Our sessions include pertinent and timely healthcare topics including legal and compliance concerns relative to the opioid crisis and changes to the False Claims Act. Also included in our agenda will be coding for chronic conditions and tips for educating and communicating with clinicians. Our popular physician speaker sessions will address women’s health and endoscopic surgery. We’re especially pleased to offer a pre-conference workshop designed for professionals who are interested in the community health and critical access settings. Hawai’i’s diverse population is spread over the islands and the coding and billing challenges are as unique as our population.

Our Friday-Saturday conference is eligible for up to 12.0 AAPC continuing education units (CEUs).

Early Bird Pricing

(Registration Form and Payment Must Be Received Before June 6th, 2019)

Early Bird Discount – AAPC Members \$239

Early Bird Discount – Non-Members \$299

[Registration Fees Increase to \$289 and \$349 on June 6th]

A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at a discounted group rate of \$249. For hotel reservations, please call the Prince Waikiki Hotel directly at 808-956-1111 or toll free at 1-800-321-6248 or use this hyperlink to our reservation page:

[AAPC 2019 - Reservations](#)

For general conference information see **EVENTS** on www.hpcef.com or use this QR link from your Smart Phone



Pre-Conference Workshop – “Coding and Billing for Rural Health”

Thursday September 5, 2019 1:00pm – 4:30pm

Separate Registration Required – See “Pre-Conference” Information and Forms

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Friday and Saturday Sessions

“The Legal & Compliance Concerns Caused by the Opiate Crisis” Amanda Waesch, Esq.

This presentation will cover the current state of the opioid epidemic and how the federal government and states are responding. Examples of governmental and payor crackdowns on manufacturers and pharmacies will be provided along with what providers need to know to stay compliant with regards to billing, coding and medical records documentation.

“What Does the Future Hold for Evaluation and Management” John F. Burns, CPC, CPMA, CEMC

It seems we’ve been talking about Evaluation and Management (E&M) services forever. While the concept of various “levels” of E&M services is nothing new (and not likely to go away), the manner in which qualified healthcare providers select these levels will evolve. This session will walk attendees through the history of E&M service codes, changes that have occurred in previous years and those we feel will be front and center in the near future. We will focus on common pitfalls involving E&M code selection, common misconceptions (such as “moderate complexity” versus “moderate risk”) and clinical documentation that must be captured by the provider, as opposed to what can be captured by ancillary staff

“How to Educate Providers on Audit Findings” Shannon DeConda, CPC, CPC-I, CEMC, CMSCS, CPMA

Too many times we walk in the door to meet with a provider to review their coding and auditing reports to be met with the eye roll of, UGH, they are back! During this session we will provide a teach-the-teacher, interactive session on the best how-to’s for positive provider engagement for positive impacts on compliance. This will include not only guidance and teaching tips, but it will also include a sample report review and walkthrough on how to build the best report, what to include, and most importantly – how to present it.

“OIG and Regulatory Compliance” Sean Weiss, CHC, CEMA, CMCO, CPMA, CPC-P, CPC

This session will focus on payor and governmental focus on Health Care Fraud. The shift away from the False Claims Act (FCA) has made it easier for prosecutors to level charges and achieve successful prosecutions/settlement agreements due to low bar requirements to prove Fraud. However, not so fast... significant changes in 2018 within the Justice Manual (Formerly USAM), and the release of the Sessions, Brand and Granston Memos level playing field for defense teams and their ability to successfully represent clients in difficult cases. Don’t miss this session as our speaker breaks down these important changes and shares with you how to structure your OIG Compliance Plan to meet and exceed published guidance.

“Documenting and Coding to Satisfy Reporting Requirements” – Linda Farrington, CPC, CPMA, CPC-I, CRC

This session will look at the 3 key metrics that drive healthcare, what the payer wants and how the provider can document and code in a way that satisfies those requirements. Documenting and coding for the most prevalent chronic conditions in the geriatric population – examining the guidelines from a risk adjustment and a quality reporting perspective will be covered. A discussion of the vital role that coders play in ensuring correct coding – coding that is both accurate and complete – and coding that satisfies reporting requirements.

“The Art of the Physician Query”

Terry Fletcher, BS, CPC, CCC, CEMC, CCS, CCS-P, CMC, CMCS, ACS-CA, SCP-CA

This presentation will discuss how to make your physician queries effective and compliant. As a coding professional we may fall into a trap of ‘playing doctor’ and see connections that aren’t documented or read too much into the documentation. Terry will discuss the appropriate use of the query process and leave you with 12 tips to ensure your queries are effective.

“Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women’s Health” Emilie Stickley, M.D.

What is an “annual exam”? When is it appropriate to assign 99397 versus G0101? Why bother with proper ICD-10 coding for services that are included global maternity care? Dr. Stickley will provide an overview of various services in the office setting. She’ll explain common gynecology procedures, preventive services and more.

“Hospital and Office Endoscopies” Chad Cryer, M.D.

This session will take an “inside look” at coding for diagnostic and surgical endoscopy. Dr. Cryer will explain basic and advanced endoscopic procedures as well as specialized techniques. He will share some interesting cases from his hospital and outpatient practices and will also discuss diagnostic conditions seen in his practice, some that are common and some not so common.

Conference Registration Form

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Friday September 6th

7:00am – 7:50am Registration and Continental Breakfast
7:50am -- 8:00am Conference Welcome
8:00am – 9:15am General Session 1 “**Coding & Compliance for the Opiate Crisis**” 1.5 CEU
9:15am – 10:45am General Session 2 “**Evaluation and Management**” 1.5 CEU
10:45am – 11:00am Break
11:00am – 12:30pm General Session 3 “**Educating Audit Findings**” 1.5 CEU
12:30pm – 1:30pm Lunch (provided)
1:45pm – 3:15pm General Session 4 “**OIG & Regulatory Compliance**” 1.5 CEU
3:15pm – 3:30pm Break
3:30pm – 5:00pm General Session 5 “**Documenting & Coding Chronic Conditions**” 1.5 CEU

Saturday September 7th

7:00am – 7:50am Registration and Continental Breakfast
7:50am -- 8:00am Welcome Back
8:00am – 9:30am General Session 6 “**Physician Query Process**” 1.5 CEU
9:30am – 11:00am General Session 7 “**OB-Gyn & Women’s Health**” 1.5 CEU
11:00am – 11:15am Break
11:15am – 12:30pm General Session 8 “**Endoscopic Surgery**” 1.5 CEU
12:30pm – 12:45pm Conference Wrap Up and Adjourn

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AAPC Member: Yes ___ No ___ Special Needs or Accommodations: _____

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Payment by Check to: **Hawaii Professional Coders Education Fund** (*Please include attendee name on check*)

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Workshop Confirmation will be sent to the email address you provided above

Cancellation Policy: Full refund on or before July 31, 2019. After August 1, a \$75 cancellation fee applies.

CEU's may not be awarded unless attendee is present for the entire session

Room Temperature: To ensure a comfortable environment for our speakers, temperature settings may be cool

Please bring a sweater or jacket!

Validated event parking: \$5.00 self/\$7.00 valet
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