

GENERAL SURGERY

**A educational workshop provided for
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Reimbursement & Coding for General Surgery

A full day of coding for physicians and staff

given by:

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SPECIAL SECTION FOR 2012

Many new diagnosis codes impacting General & Vascular Surgery. We'll have the latest for 2012. There have been more CPT changes for Surgery than any other specialty.



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(9:00 am - 4:00 pm)

2012 Review

**Bariatrics, wound care mesh removal,
vein therapy, and more. . .**

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Bring examples of your coding and reimbursement problems for the workshop. We'll find the specific solutions together!

(PLEASE BRING YOUR ICD-9, CPT & HCPCS BOOKS)

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earn coding techniques that work!

- Review recent changes to lap hernia and E/M codes.
- Document and code for what you do. This critical area loses money daily AND can cost in audit penalties.
- Central venous lines - tunneled versus non-tunneled, insertion versus replacement. We will give you guidelines and tips.
- Bariatric procedures are becoming more common for morbid obesity. We'll review the latest guidelines for proper reporting.
- Mammosite insertion codes were revised. We will update you on all of the breast codes.
- EGD & Colonoscopy rules. Screening versus diagnostic. We will review the policies.
- When is it proper to use modifier -59?
- Visits & procedures during the postoperative procedure. How do we report them? What modifier do we use?

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trategies To Assist Correct Coding, Reimbursement &

- With increase in MACs and RACs, proper documentation is essential for billing, quality and risk prevention.
- PQRI- How it applies to general surgeons.
- As deductibles and copays for patients skyrocket, is your office equipped to monitor this and act on it?
- Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN) forms were revised in late 2008. Learn when and how to use an ABN form for General Surgery procedures, in 2012.
- Documentation is essential for counseling and coordination of care billing, based on time.
- Monitoring your Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) and National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) for services you provide. It is essential for claims submission.

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dvanced Surgery Insurance Solutions Ease Paperwork

- There are many 2012 ICD-9 changes effective October 1, 2011. Which impacted general surgery practices? We will go over these changes. The last 3 years have been huge.
- Medicare Voluntary Refund reports require prompt action on your part. We will explain.
- We will review indications on modifier -62 for co-surgeon and modifier 80 for assistant surgeon. It can mean a lot for reimbursement.
- Unlocking the key to the modifier maze concerning -58, -78 and -79. We will give you clarification on these modifiers.
- Linking your ICD-9 codes to the CPT codes will greatly reduce unnecessary claims denials and reduce payment turn around time for 2012.

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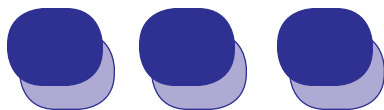
WE PROVIDE ANSWERS



- Medicare's proposals to the Physician Fee Schedule include a large pay cut. CMS elimination of Consultation payment for 2010. What's the latest?
- What EM service codes should be used instead of Consult codes? What about the AI modifier?
- We will cover the 2012 Diagnosis new, revised and deleted codes.
- New Medicare rules could cost your Practice big \$\$\$.
- CMS proposes payment reduction for physician owned high cost imaging.
- Special accreditation requirements for technical services may be in your near future.
- Beware of Templates and EMRs that encourage you to improperly code higher visit levels.
- Medical Necessity for Complexity of Decision Making is essential for proper EM levels of service.
- We will provide some Practical Tips to Prepare for ICD-10 transition 2013.

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