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Certificate Program

This certificate program will prepare the student to work in many areas requiring coding expertise. The coding courses follow the prerequisites Medical Terminology and Human Biology, which expose the student to terms and anatomy necessary for learning medical coding. This program can be completed as a full-time or part-time student. The program at Camden County College is approved by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA).

  Medical coders provide an essential part of managing health information that allows hospitals and physician offices to receive payment for services. Each diagnosis or treatment is assigned a code for which payment may be received. Code assignments are based on coding classification guidelines, federal regulations and sometimes state regulations. In the United States healthcare can be complex and has many components including the clinical side, administrative elements, and governmental oversight. Adequately trained personnel are essential for proper reporting of information to ensure correct reimbursement. Area medical facilities currently seek trained staff with the coding skills necessary to efficaciously meet the financial needs of these institutions. Theory and lab experience will provide the learner with job-readiness skills.

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Medical Coding, CERT

A joint certificate program with Camden County College

FIRST YEAR - Fall Semester @ RCSJ

☐ BI 108 Human Biology	4
☐ CS 101 Introduction to Microcomputers	3
☐ EN 101 English Composition I	3
☐ HS 103 Medical Terminology	2
☐ HS 104 Introduction to Health Information	3
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Spring Semester @ Camden County College online

☐ HIT 115 Healthcare Reimbursement	3
☐ HIT 130 Introduction to Ambulatory Coding	3
☐ HIT 134 Basic Pathophysiology	3
☐ HIT 140 Diagnostic and Procedural Coding I	3
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SECOND YEAR - Fall Semester @ Camden County College online

☐ HIT 132 Basic Pharmacology	3
☐ HIT 135 Medical Coding Internship	2
☐ HIT 215 Advanced Ambulatory Coding	3
☐ HIT 240 Diagnostic and Procedural Coding II	4
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TOTAL CREDITS: 39

Program Learning Outcomes

Program Learning Outcomes Upon Completion of the program, students should be able to:
• Effectively demonstrate competencies with the most current coding software.
• Effectively use practical coding tools such as medical records and operative reports.
• Take the national entry-level certification by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) with the Certified Coding Associate (CCA) credential.