

**Rowan College of South Jersey  
Academic Certificate in  
Medical Coding  
Transfer Program Requirements  
Suggested Four Semester Sequence of Courses  
A joint certificate program with Camden County College**

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 fulltime 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. Students who have completed the program will 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.

**First Year**

**Fall Semester**

		<b>Credits</b>
___BI 108	Human Biology	4
___CS 101	Introduction to Microcomputers	3
___EN 101	English Composition I	3
___HS 103	Medical Terminology	2
___HS 104	Health Information Technology	3
		<b>15</b>

**Spring Semester**

___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
		<b>12</b>

**Second Year**

**Fall Semester**

___HIT 132	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 Minimum Credits: 39**

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**Required Core and Elective Courses**

<u>Communications</u>		<u>Credits</u>
EN 101	English Composition I	3
<u>Science</u>		
BI 108	Human Biology	4
<u>Technology</u>		
CS 101	Introduction to Microcomputers	3
<u>Program Courses</u>		
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
HIT 132	Pharmacology	3
HIT 135	Medical Coding Internship	2
HIT 215	Advanced Ambulatory Coding	3
HIT 240	Diagnostic and Procedural Coding II	4
HS 103	Medical Terminology	2
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