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**TWO days of indepth coding  
& billing for: Gastroenterology  
Physicians & Practice Coders**

An educational workshop provided for



**Presented By,  
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# *Seminar Highlights*

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### orkshop Curriculum

- 2021 Gastroenterology Specific Coding Update.
- Evaluation and Management - Is your practice prepared for the Radical Changes to take place in 2021? We will update you.
- Dealing with Anesthesia - Are comorbidities & risk factors listed to support the need for MAC?
- Upper GI Endoscopy is the focus of medical necessity requirements by most commercial payers in 2019. Are your providers aware of these changes?
- Diagnostic Tests - make sure documentation components are met.
- Documentation requirements for billing Conscious Sedation Services by your GI providers.
- Coding from Endoscopy Reports.
- MIPS/MACRA: Economic survival depends upon documentation and diagnoses accuracy.
- The impact on HCC, ICD-10-CM & specificity.
- Tips from your local Medicare contractors on E&M services.
- Discuss electronic record issues with the copy / paste function and improper template use.

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### astroenterology Workshop Highlights

- Keeping up with trends and payer policies.
- Screening endoscopy overview - Commercial versus Medicare.
- Snare & saline lift verses EMR versus EMD - what is the difference?
- Utilizing the Medicare Multiple endoscopy policy vs. commercial policies.
- Don't just write it off! Adjudicating Denied Claims - know your denial reasons & your best approach to adjudicate.
- Appropriate use of Correct Coding Initiative edits and CCI policies to assure clean claim submission.
- Navigating an ERCP report: appropriate reporting of Stents, Stones & Sphincterotomies.

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### dditional topics to be discussed

- Audit and review forms for Endoscopy, Evaluation & Management, Pathology, Anesthesia, Diagnostic studies.
- Advanced Endoscopy procedures - tips for billing these unlisted procedures.
- ERCP billing.
- Introduction to Pelvic Floor Rehabilitation services & other ancillary services.



# WHAT'S NEW! THE HOT TOPICS in work you are already doing!!!

- ANESTHESIA REIMBURSEMENT DEPENDS UPON MEDICAL NECESSITY AND RANKING OF DIAGNOSIS CODES. LEARN WHAT IS NECESSARY TO DOCUMENT BY YOUR ANESTHESIA PROVIDERS.
- APPLYING ICD-10 CODES TO PROCEDURES & VISITS: THE KEY TO SUPPORTING MEDICAL NECESSITY.
- PATHOLOGY DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS - THE LATEST MEDICARE LOCAL COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS CONCERNING SPECIAL STAINS.

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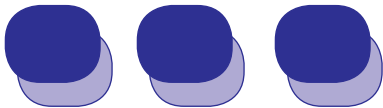
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- Updates on the current issues that RACs, OIG, CERT and Individual Payer Auditors are looking at in Gastroenterology Practices.
- Should we use the indications or findings as the primary diagnosis for a procedure?
- Under what circumstances will Medicare pay us for a visit on the same day as a procedure?
- Have the "X" modifiers replaced modifier 59?
- If a patient is eligible for colon screening & has symptoms, is it screening or diagnostic?
- Do Anesthesia claims also require modifier 33 or PT to trigger preventive benefits?
- The American Cancer Society revised Colon Screening Criteria. How does this impact our practices?

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