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Special Section:

What your Providers need to know about the dramatic EM changes coming in 2021. PLUS Medicare Telehealth Developments...and much more!

Monday, October 18 & Tuesday, October 19, 2021 Las Vegas, Nevada

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reaking News for 2021

- Seminar Highligh ■ New COVID ICD-10-CMs and Telehealth guidelines effective January 1, 2021!
- Review new COVID vaccine and monoclonal bodies guidelines.
- The sweeping changes for 2021 Office E/Ms are here!
- New rules for calculating total time versus 2020 rules.
- What are the differences in Prolonged Services for CPT and CMS?
- We'll compare 2020 Medical Decision Making versus 2021.
- What's the latest on Medicare's Inherent Complexity E/M add on code?
- Internal Audit of 2020 and 2021 E/M coding patterns strongly recommended.
- Be prepared for post COVID-19 audits on services provided during the PHE. Estimates are that \$4 billion will be recouped for 2020 PHE services.
- While these changes lifting significant documentation burden are welcome news, they apply only to EIGHT new and established office codes / not hospital services.
- Learn techniques to bullet proof your Hospital E/M documentation.
- Remember that the new E/M guidelines DO NOT APPLY to Consultations!
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ot Topics for Pulmonary/Critical Care/Sleep

- 2021 brings new Scope of Practice & Supervision Authority for Advanced Practitioners!
- Incident-to and Split/Shared services are also under great scrutiny with error rates as high as 85%. Will your claims pass audits?
- Discuss the danger of an "Applied Error Rate over a Paid Claims Universe" for recoupments.
- Look at your Coding Patterns through the hypercritical eyes of an outside auditor.
- Records that are not properly signed and dated are considered services billed but not performed.



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ritical Care Guidelines

- Improve documentation of the Critical Care summary statement necessary to demonstrate the "imminent threat" to pass audit.
- The OIG added Critical Care to the 2019 Work Plan due to the high error rates.
- Not all patients within the walls of ICU meet the criteria for Critical Care billing.
- Emerging new diagnoses are essential to preserve ongoing Critical Care services.
- Learn techniques to avoid redundant, dangerous information in Cloned EMR notes.
- Strong time documentation is essential to withstand auditor scrutiny.



ulmonary Procedures, Services and Sleep Studies

- New 2021 PFT & CT codes will be reviewed.
- Coding tips for EBUS, thoracentesis, ultrasound and other services.
- Overutilization audits and denials for PFT's are rampant.
- We'll review billing guidelines for Low Dose CT Screening.
- Specific indications for all testing such as PFTs and Sleep Studies is key.
- CPAP supply orders were added to the OIG Workplan.
- Close monitoring for high volume of sleep testing continues! Medical necessity is key!
- Demonstrate medical necessity for Sleep testing to include non-compliance issues, weight loss, weight gain and co-morbidities.
- The latest requirements for vaccines, injections and NDC numbers.
- Supervision documentation required for certain PFTs, Xolair injections and MDI.
- **.....** and more timely topics.

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ABOUT THE SEMINAR LEADER:

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