

# GASTROENTEROLOGY

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

An educational workshop provided for



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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.



- Kathleen A. Mueller, RN, CPC, CCS-P, CMGC, CMSCS, PCS, CCC, is a national consultant with over 35 years' experience in healthcare. This includes ICU/CCU nursing, physician office administration, GI claims submission and adjudication, plus seminar instruction, practice evaluations, compliance reviews and on-site consulting work in hundreds of offices. Mrs. Mueller is the President of AskMueller Consulting, LLC, as well as a nationally recognized speaker and author of many multi-specialty medical and surgical coding workbooks with a special emphasis on Gastroenterology. She has lectured at several Gastroenterology Outlook (GO) and GI Coding courses for the AGA, and ASGE. Her company which is staffed by all certified coders with gastroenterology specific credentials is also contracted with ASGE to support the coding hotline. She has also been a lecturer for other organizations such as the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN), ACG, and presented multiple times at Digestive Disease Week (DDW). Kathy is an Editor of the ASGE Gastroenterology Coding Primer and also writes a coding column for ASGE and NASPGHAN.



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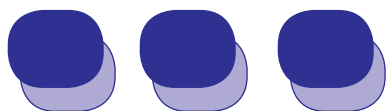
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- Updates on the current issues that RACs, OIG, CERT and Individual Payer Auditors are looking at in Gastroenterology Practices.
- Should we use the indications or findings as the primary diagnosis for a procedure?
- Under what circumstances will Medicare 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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