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**TWO days of in-depth coding
& billing for: Cardiology Physician
Practice Coders**



**Exclusive Coding & Reimbursement Solutions
For Cardiology Practices**

Given by:

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Healthcare Consultant**

Some specific topics covered on which day

Day 1 - DX coding, Modifiers, Non-invasive Cardiology and Cardiac Caths.

Day 2 - EP in the morning, Peripheral in the afternoon.

Tuesday, June 30 & Wednesday July 1, 2009

San Francisco, California

Westin SFO Airport Hotel
One Old Bayshore Hwy.
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Thursday, August 6 & Friday, August 7, 2009

Atlanta, Georgia

Doubletree Hotel - Buckhead
3342 Peachtree Road
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Wednesday, August 19, & Thursday, August 20, 2009

Baltimore, Maryland

Instructor Ray Cathey, PA

Holiday Inn - Inner Harbor
301 W. Lombard Street
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Thursday, Sept. 17 & Friday, Sept. 18, 2009

Houston, Texas

Crowne Plaza - North Greenspoint
425 North Sam Houston Parkway East
(Houston, TX 77060)

Thursday, October 8 & Friday, October 9, 2009

Las Vegas, Nevada

Palms Casino Resort
4321 West Flamingo Road
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(Course time: 8:30am to 3:30pm both days)

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Workshop Curriculum

- ◆ 2009 Cardiology Coding Update
- ◆ Medical Record Documentation
- ◆ Fraud & Abuse
- ◆ ICD-9-CM Conventions and Rules
- ◆ Coding and the CPT Manual
- ◆ Evaluation and Management Coding for Cardiology
- ◆ What's included in Cardiology...and more importantly what's not included
- ◆ Mastering CPT and HCPCS modifiers are essential for proper reimbursement
- ◆ Learn techniques to paint an accurate picture of medical necessity
- ◆ 1995 or 1997 Documentation Guidelines? Which option is best for you?

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Cardiology Workshop Highlights

- ◆ Peripheral interventional changes for 2009
- ◆ Review Medical Terminology & anatomy.
- ◆ HCPCS
- ◆ What is a 3rd order?
- ◆ Coding from notes & reports.
- ◆ Adjudicating Denied Claims.
- ◆ Bundling vs. unbundling by the payers. Medicare's CCI will give you a great start towards compliance. A new tool is now available.
- ◆ You have worked with the new 2005 codes for Carotid Stenting! How do you capture this service in 2009 as well?
- ◆ EECF Plethysmography, T-Waves Alternans - when to bill - the latest guidelines.
- ◆ Electrophysiology changes
- ◆ Proper reimbursement for Echocardiograms w/ Doppler and color flow scans.
- ◆ Defibrillator or Pacemaker monitoring - telephone or in office - single or dual chamber follow-up guidelines.
- ◆ Complete coding for heart catheterizations done at the same session as angioplasty - what to charge and what not to charge.

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Additional topics to be discussed

- ◆ Audit and review forms.
- ◆ Handle changing definitions in levels of service.
- ◆ Using the Correct Coding Initiative.
- ◆ Many Cardiology specific procedure codes and definitions for the past few years changed, what about changes and "clarifications" in 2009?
- ◆ Advance information on the expected changes in Medicare billing and the new coding requirements. CPT changed how to use their book. Know the approach to avoid extra work.
- ◆ The latest on "non-selective" cath placement rules - guidelines, revisions.
- ◆ How to code combination procedures - heart cath and peripheral at same setting.
- ◆ Radiology supervision codes.



Handle Special Cardiology Situations

- What New 2009 Diagnosis Codes impact Cardiology
- Explaining the CMS changes to Consultations.
- How should you code Second Opinions / Confirmatory Consultations now?
- Coding different "approaches" for stents & plasties
- Coding emergency procedures after a consultation



Nikki Vendegna

Nikki M. Vendegna, B.A., C.P.C., is a healthcare consultant with 22 years of successful coding, management and training for multi-specialty practices. As one of the initial Certified Procedural Coders (AAPC), she has developed individualized coding and reimbursement training sessions for the internal needs of more than 100 physician offices, medical groups and clinics across the country. She speaks nationally for The American College of Cardiology, the American College of Cardiology State Chapters, the Heart Rhythm Society, and the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology. From her college instruction to on-site management, Nikki's experience is unique and comprehensive. She has "Real World" experience and solutions to your reimbursement problems. Nikki is committed to assisting all practices in taking back control and to stop being "at effect" with patients, insurance companies, managed care and government agencies.

For Baltimore: Ray Cathey's background is unique in support of medical practices. As a Senior Trainer for McVey Associates, Inc., he has assisted thousands of Physician's and staff across the U.S. over the past ten years. The result has been appropriate payments of insurance claims that would have otherwise been underpaid. Having degrees in health care administration and health care sciences, as a registered nurse, and as one of the initial certifications in the Physician Assistant Program, you will find Ray's knowledge extensive.

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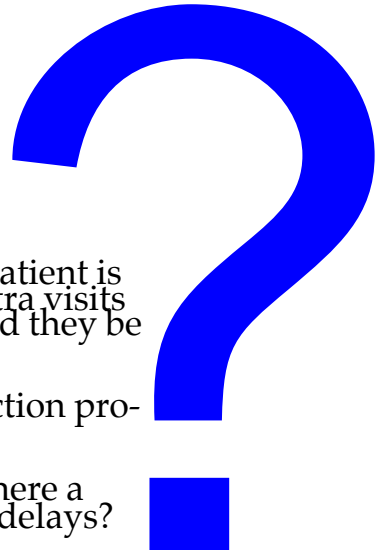


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- Our practice does a lot of consults. Sometimes the patient is seen for two or three follow-up visits. Should the extra visits be considered part of the consulting process or should they be billed using a different visit code?
- Can I bill for the S & I's (93555 & 93556) for each injection procedure during a heart cath?
- Our office has problems coding concurrent care. Is there a secret to getting paid correctly the first time without delays?
- My physicians is making aorto-iliac injections. How do I code for these?
- What's the best way to get reimbursement on an echocardiogram when the result is a normal test?
- What's your suggestion on getting paid for a bilateral ileofemoral injection procedure?

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