

Medical Transcription Editor

INDUSTRY FACTS



What do medical transcriptionists and editors do?

Medical transcription professionals play a key role in providing accurate medical records. The industry is evolving to include two important and distinct roles:

- **Medical transcriptionists** who type (or transcribe) the dictations of doctor patient interactions, creating the reports that are included in patients' medical records.
- **Medical transcription editors** who are specialized medical transcriptionists focused on correcting and editing the written reports generated by speech recognition software, which electronically transcribes dictations into text.

Where do medical transcriptionists and editors work?

Medical transcription is primarily a work-from-home occupation, giving you the opportunity to have a professional career from the comfort of your own home. Most healthcare providers outsource their medical transcription work to national healthcare documentation companies, which hire medical transcription professionals from all over the country to transcribe and edit the records from their homes in an online, virtual work environment.

How much do medical transcriptionists and editors earn?

Medical transcription professionals are compensated in several different ways, and the amount each individual earns varies with employer and experience level. However, these professionals are usually paid on a production basis, and the U.S. Department of Labor reports that the middle 50% of medical transcriptionists earn between \$22,810 and \$48,190 a year.

Is the medical transcription field growing?

There is a growing demand for well-trained medical transcription professionals, and there are several factors driving this growth:

- **Employer demand** - Hundreds of employers have hired our graduates, and there currently are not enough graduates to meet their hiring needs.
- **Speech recognition technology** - Many healthcare facilities are switching to this new technology, prompting many transcriptionists to retire and creating more demand for editing professionals.

*U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

"I was employed as a transcriptionist within a month of passing my final! I am constantly recommending this course to everyone I know, of all ages, and especially to the single moms like me! Well worth every penny!!"

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PROGRAM DETAILS

Improve Your Life

Built on over 25 years of experience in training high-quality healthcare professionals, the Professional Medical Transcription Editor program helps you quickly gain the knowledge and skills you need to get a good job to better support your family and improve your financial security.

Prepare For A Better Job

Train affordably without sacrificing quality. This program's comprehensive training was developed by industry professionals with years of experience – specifically designed to help you prepare for the Registered Healthcare Documentation Specialist (RHDS) exam.

- Gain the skills of both a medical transcriptionist and a specialized medical transcription editor
- Simulate the real world by training you on hundreds of authentic physician dictations
- Prepare for the future of the industry as it relies more on speech recognition technology
- Train to begin working from home immediately upon completion

Learn At Home

Online training minimizes the challenges of taking time out to return to school. The online training format offers distinct advantages:

- Study on a schedule that fits your life
- Progress at a pace that matches your learning style
- Enjoy the flexibility to adjust the time and effort you devote to your coursework each day

Achieve Success With Live Learner And Career Support

Our AHD1-approved training is designed to help you accomplish your goal of getting a job. In addition to employer-trusted training and online flexibility, you'll have one-on-one access to three support teams—learner support, technical support, and career support—to ensure you can complete your training and prepare for a better future! All of these teams are committed to helping you:

- Complete your training quickly
- Prepare for industry certification
- Successfully move into the workforce

Program Modules and Approximate Completion Hours

Module	Hours
Program Orientation	1
Medical Transcription Editing Industry	5
Technology and the Medical Professional	5
Medical Word Building	15
Grammar and Punctuation	10
Anatomy, Pathophysiology, and Disease Process – Block 1	25
Anatomy, Pathophysiology, and Disease Process – Block 2	20
Mastering Medical Language	5
Pharmacology	15
Healthcare Documentation	10
Diagnostic Reports	20
Focus on Medical Specialties	30
Introduction to Transcription	13
Transcription Clinic Notes	105
Transcription Acute Care	100
Transcription Advanced Acute Care	150
Editing Theory	15
Editing Clinic Notes	45
Editing Acute Care	40
Final Exam Preparation, Expectations, and Policies	1
TOTAL	630