

# Medical Coding & Billing for Outpatient Services

## INDUSTRY FACTS



### What do medical coding and billing professionals do?

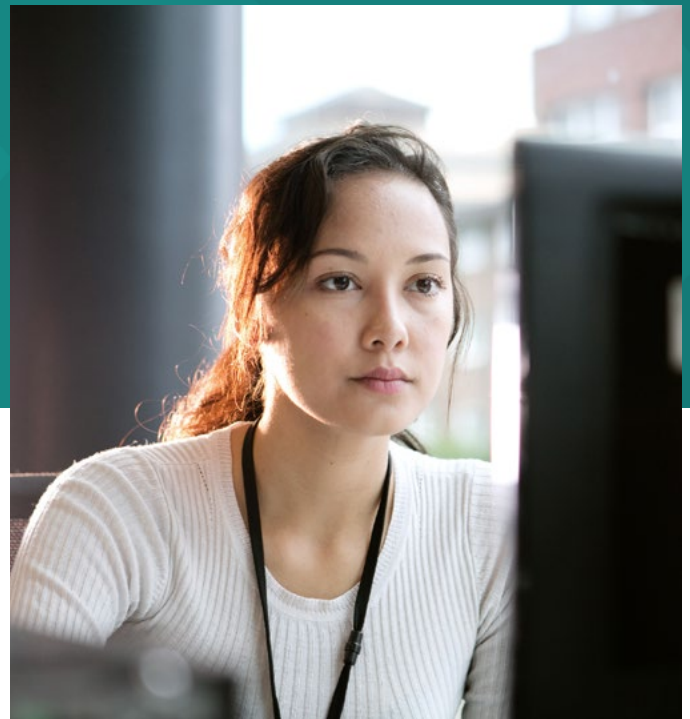
Medical coding and billing professionals translate medical records into standardized codes used to bill patients and third-party payers such as insurance companies and Medicare. The comprehensive Professional Medical Coding and Billing program will teach you to use all of these codes—CPT, HCPCS, and ICD-10 including an optional PCS procedural code set.

### Where do they work?

Medical coding and billing professionals usually work on-site at a healthcare facility. Positions can be found in physicians' offices, clinics, hospitals, insurance companies, large coding outsourcing companies, and other healthcare facilities.

### How much do they earn?

This career offers an established career path for advancement, especially in large



hospital networks, and leading industry organizations report that, on average, medical coding and billing professionals with one credential earn over \$52,000 a year. Medical coding and billing professionals can also increase their earning potential by earning additional industry certifications.

### How's the job outlook?

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates job growth to increase by 13% by 2026. That's a significant number of professionals needed in the field to code patients' records; act as liaisons between healthcare facilities, insurance companies, and other establishments; and manage the responsibilities associated with electronic health records.

"Thanks to the great training, I passed my CPC exam on the first try. It only took me two months to get my first coding job. I was also told that my employee entrance exam was one of the better ones they had come across in a long time. I owe it all to the intense and complete training."

JEANNETTE, CAREERSTEP LEARNER

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## PROGRAM DETAILS

### Improve Your Life

When it comes to career training, you'll find a lot of fakers out there. Con artists that'll try to impress you with fancy hyperbole. But through all the noise, the distinct sound of success can be heard. Your success. All it takes is a little push in the right direction—and your whole life could change. New doors opened. New worlds discovered. And new opportunities explored. With CareerStep, anything is possible.

### Prepare for a Better Job

You'll play a vital role in the healthcare ecosystem, helping to ensure that third-party payers are billed correctly so healthcare providers can get reimbursed. You'll review and manage patients' electronic medical records and assign codes to diagnoses and procedures that have been performed. And you'll be the liaison between healthcare facilities and billing offices.

### Learn Your Way

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
- Adjust the time and effort you devote to your coursework each day

### Receive Coaching and Guidance

When you train with CareerStep, we back you every step of the way—from sign-up through course completion.

- Learner support
- Technical support

### Get Certified

We'll prepare you to take nationally recognized exams so you can explore greater opportunities in your area.

- **Certified Professional Coder (CPC®)**
- **Certified Outpatient Coder (COC™)**
- **Certified Billing and Coding Specialist (CBCS)**
- **Certified Coding Specialist-Physician-Based (CCS-P)**

### Program Outline

#### Course

Program Orientation

Computer Fundamentals

Comprehensive Medical Terminology

Medical Billing

Law, Liability and Ethics for Healthcare

Introduction to Healthcare

Electronic Medical Records

Anatomy and Physiology

Comprehensive Pharmacology

Outpatient Coding

Health Information Management

Federal Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)

Telehealth Skills

Program Completion

**TOTAL HOURS: 577**

**Coursework, Simulations, and Experiential**