

## We Need Your Help

AAPC, the world's largest training and credentialing organization for the business of healthcare, is seeking healthcare employers who will provide opportunities for apprentice certified medical coders. These healthcare professionals have validated their coding skills by successfully passing a rigorous examination and earning one of AAPC's credentials – a gold standard for the industry. Many of these individuals receive an apprentice-level credential due to a lack of healthcare work experience, which often limits their ability to find their first medical coding job.

### What You Can Do

To assist this next generation of healthcare professionals, we've created Project Xtern. This program partners with healthcare employers to provide newer coders with real work experience. Employers typically receive unpaid medical coding support from this fully HIPAA-compliant program, and the extern participants gain experience and helpful evaluations in return. The length of each externship is determined by the facility and the extern. AAPC does not charge for participation in this program.

Employers have no obligation to hire anyone at the conclusion of the externship. However, another advantage to participating in this program is that employers can preview an extern's work habits and abilities in advance, selecting only the most qualified applicants when positions become available.

### How It Works

Once your facility is registered, your chosen contact information will be posted in a secure area of [www.aapc.com](http://www.aapc.com), accessible only to our certified members. Interested candidates will then contact you to be considered for an extern opportunity. You will have complete control over the selection process of externs.

### Register Today

To register for this program, please complete the form [here](#).

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