

## Proctor-to-Examinee Instructions Please Read Aloud to Examinees

Welcome to AAPC's Certification Exam. My name is [state your name] and this is [state second proctor's name.] We are the proctors for your examination today.

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- 6. Please remove shrink wrap from your exam packet keeping the white label and placing it on the back of your exam booklet. Set aside the gold seals, and verify you have the correct type of examination booklet for the exam you are taking and then set the examination booklet aside with the gold seals (do not break the silver seals on your exam booklet yet).
- 7. Using a #2 pencil, please take the time now to fill out sections A and B of the Examination Answer Grid.
- 8. For Section B, please refer to the back of the exam booklet for the exam type, version and exam number. For assistance with your Member ID number, refer to the white label, which was adhered to your exam packet. Please make sure that all information is filled in correctly as well as bubbled in correctly or your exam may not be processed accurately.
- 9. Writing and highlighting in the exam booklet is allowed, as the booklet will be sealed when you have completed the exam. To have your answers graded, please mark all answers on the Examination Answer Grid. A zero score will be received if the Examination Answer Grid is left blank and will be counted as an attempt (exam booklets are recycled once received at AAPC).
- 10. You will only be notified when 30 minutes of test time is remaining. Upon completion of your exam, locate your gold seals and put them on the top, right side and bottom of your exam booklet. DO NOT seal your test grid in the booklet. Fill out sections E and F on the answer grid and return your exam booklet, test grid (and E/M Audit Sheets, if applicable) to the exam proctors before exiting the room. Please do not continue filling in the sections E and F is time has been called. Please alert the proctor when returning exam booklet for assistance. If you finish your exam early, you may leave. When exiting the exam room, please be quiet and courteous of other test takers.
- 11. Please do not call AAPC or the proctors for your test results. Exam results are prohibited from being released over the telephone. Please allow 7-10 for business days for results to be released online. For CIC results please allow 10-15 days.

We are now ready to begin the examination, you make break the silver seals and open your test booklet. The current time is [state the time.] The exam will end at [state the time.]



## **Allowed Reference Material**

Exam	Certification	Questions	Books*/References
Certified Professional Coder	CPC®	150	1, 2, 3
Certified Inpatient Coder	CIC™	60 multiple choice, 10 inpatient cases (fill in the blank)	2 as well as ICD-10-PCS
Certified Outpatient Coder	COC™	150	1, 2, 3
Certified Professional Coder-Payer	CPC-P®	150	1, 2, 3
Certified Professional Biller	CPB™	200	1, 2, 3
Certified Professional Medical Auditor	CPMA®	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Certified Professional Compliance Officer	CPCO™	150	Any references are allowed, except Study Guides and any published references by HCCA
Certified Physician Practice Manager	CPPM®	200	Manual calculator (no smart phones), no books
Certified Professional Coder-Instructor	CPC-I®	50	1, 2, 3
Certified Risk Adjustment Coder	CRC™	150	2

## **Specialty Certification**

Exam	Certification	Questions	Books*/References	
Ambulatory Surgery Center	CASCC™	150	1, 2, 3, 10	1.
Anesthesia/Pain Management	CANPC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10	
Cardiology	CCC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10	
Cardiovascular/Thoracic	CCVTC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10	
Chiropractic	CCPC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	2.
Dermatology	CPCD™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	3.
Emergency Department	CEDC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Evaluation and Management	CEMC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	4.
Family Practice	CFPC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Gastroenterology	CGIC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
General Surgery	CGSC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Hematology/Oncology	CHONC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	5.
Internal Medicine	CIMC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Interventional Radiology and Cardiovascular	CIRCC®	150	1, 3, anatomical charts to assist in catheter selection, 10	6. 7.
Obstetrics/Gynecology	COBGC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	8.
Orthopaedic Surgery	COSC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10	
Otolaryngology	CENTC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	9.
Pediatric	CPEDC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	CPRC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Rheumatology	CRHC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	10.
Surgical Foot and Ankle	CSFAC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	
Urology	CUC™	150	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10	

	Books *
1.	CPT® (AMA Standard or
	Professional edition ONLY).
	No other publisher is
	allowed

- 2. Your choice of ICD-10-CM
- 3. Your choice of HCPCS Level II
- 4. The CMS 1995 and 1997
  Evaluation and Management
  (E/M) Documentation
  Guidelines
- 5. E/M Audit Worksheets of your choice
- 6. ASA RVG
- 7. CPT® crosswalk
- 8. Anatomical charts or pictures of the vascular tree
- 9. Both volumes of the Coding Companion
- 10. One reference of your choice. This does allow Medical Dictionary.