

MEDICAL CODING AND INSURANCE

DIPLOMA - 50 CREDITS

About this program

The Medical Coding and Insurance diploma program prepares students in many of the procedures associated with billing for medical services. Students receive training in medical billing processes, including patient account management, diagnosis and procedure coding, and medical insurance claim completion and processing. The program focuses on coding and insurance procedures for the medical office. Medical coding involves using nationally recognized coding systems to classify procedures and diagnoses related to medical treatment. The codes provide information that is used in insurance claims processing. Many different types of insurance programs are handled in the medical office. Students are trained in claims processes of many insurance programs/plans such as Medicare, Medicaid, Tricare, profit and nonprofit third-party payers, workers' compensation packages and disability coverage. Graduates of the program may be eligible to take several of the national coding certification exams. Courses in the program incorporate the skills needed for employment in the coding and insurance departments of medical facilities.

Program outcomes

1. Communicate using the language of medicine.
2. Utilize technology for medical office applications.
3. Interpret the health care record.
4. Perform diagnosis and procedure coding.
5. Perform insurance and financial procedures following current regulations for the medical office.
6. Demonstrate professional communication skills while implementing legal and ethical practices.
7. Demonstrate knowledge of structure, function, disease processes and treatment of the human body.
8. Perform registration procedures and maintain an appointment schedule.
9. Demonstrate professional work and organizational skills.

Curriculum overview

Crds	Requirement type
	Total

Developmental courses note: A student may be required to enroll in developmental courses in reading, writing and math. A student's scores on the Accuplacer assessment will determine enrollment in developmental courses. The purpose of developmental courses is to prepare students for the demands of a college-level curriculum. *Credits may vary.*

Accreditation: Minnesota State Community and Technical College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The Higher Learning Commission 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1411 <http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org> Phone: 312.263.0456 / 800.621.7440

Curriculum requirement details

Required courses

Other requirements or restricted electives



Course summaries



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Program Plan — ""

Locations:

