



CPT® Changes 2010 Workshop General conference overview

The upcoming CPT® Changes 2010 Workshops expert instructors will provide deeper insight and a hands-on practical application of the CPT® 2010 changes than any other workshop of its kind. Take advantage of this rare opportunity to join hundreds of your colleagues to meet and learn from the experts. The topics discussed will include:

- Cardiology
- CPT 2010 Resequencing Principles
- General Surgery
- ICD-10 Overview and Introduction to Claim Form 5010
- Non-Physician Services
- Evaluation and Management Services
- Pain Medicine
- CPT Category II Codes and Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) Update
- Pulmonary Medicine
- Radiology
- Excision of Soft Tumors/Bone Tumors
- Urology

Here's What You'll Learn

- Introduction and overview of CPT changes for 2010 allowing you to gain greater perspective of historical changes, current changes, and future direction for CPT changes
- Detailed clinical rationale and examples that assist in understanding the practical application of each code along with billing and coding guidelines to ensure proper and compliant reimbursement
- In-depth review of each CPT change, including those impacting Anesthesia, Surgery, Radiology, Pathology/Laboratory, Medicine and Category II & III codes
- Changes to CPT Guidelines—critical to proper documentation and code Selection
- Changes to CPT modifiers and how to expertly apply these tricky coding conventions

Four Reasons to Attend

1. Learn about critical coding changes directly from the trusted source – the American Medical Association
2. Receive **FREE**, *CPT® 2010 Professional Edition* and *CPT® Changes 2010* books (a \$180.00 value)
3. Earn CEUs from AAPC, ACMCS, AHIMA, and ARHCP
4. Master a clinical understanding of the changes to increase proper code selection and ensure compliant reimbursement



Faculty Biographies:

Susan Thurston

MA, CPC, CPC-H, CPC-P, CCS-P, CMM, MCS-P, CHCO, RMC

Susan is the Executive Director of Education for Association of Health Care Auditors and Educators and the CEO of Coder's Connection Inc., a healthcare consulting firm. She has over 40 years in the medical field and holds a Masters in Curriculum Design and has taught for various colleges as adjunct faculty.

Susan is certified through AHCAE, AAPC, ARHCP, AHIMA, PAHCOM, MCS-P and is a Certified Healthcare Compliance Officer. Susan has worked in the medical field for over 40 years and provides education and compliance services to physicians and organizations nationally. She has been a PMCC instructor for over 12 years.

Having formerly served as the Director of Education for the American Academy of Professional Coders, she has first-hand knowledge of the needs and requirements for medical coders in the industry. As an educator, she has traveled extensively and teaches a wide variety of coding and compliance programs, including classes in academic settings ranging from small practices to four year colleges and universities. A mentor, and motivational speaker, Susan exhibits a highly-regarded passion for the needs of coders, educators, and providers across the nation. After owning four businesses, Susan prides herself in working with peers who share her energy and enthusiasm. She constantly strives to provide top educational resources and aide to colleagues in order to maximize the career potential of every coding professional

Robin Linker

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As a leading expert with over 30 years in healthcare, Robin provides consulting, education and auditing in most areas of compliance, practice management, correct coding and regulatory issues. She is the Executive Director of Operations for the Association of Health Care Auditors and Educators and CEO of Robin Linker & Associates, Inc. Robin is a past Director of Education and Technical Development for the AAPC and is a member of the Physician Education, Training and Advisory Group (PETAG) for CMS. She serves as an expert case witness in fraud and abuse cases and is dually certified in medical compliance.

CPT 2009 Workshop Testimonials

Speaker gave great operational examples and answers to questions were indicative of an expert. I will definitely schedule this workshop for next year.

It was very easy to follow – I will definitely use what I learned today. Speaker is knowledgeable and delightful.

The speaker delivered a lot of information concisely and with clarity. This is my one annual meeting I will never miss.



This was my first time attending and I gained a lot of information. What a great instructor - I rate it #1 and I'm looking forward to next year.

After attending the CPT Symposium for a number of years, I found this workshop to be a concise review of the information disseminated at the annual symposium. This workshop is great as it effectively helps to manage time and expense while offering similar information.

I enjoyed this workshop very much. It was very informational and easy to understand. Definitely worth my time.

Instructor was very knowledgeable making it easy to follow updates and understand the changes.

Best speaker I have encountered in a long time. Kept it focused but good pace. Kept it interesting – the time flew by.

Presenter did a great job of reminding us of how much we need each other. As someone who works for a payer, it was the first seminar in which I felt a part of and not an outsider since leaving the provider side almost seven years ago. Information was great and practical for anyone who does anything related to coding.

Very good review of all 2009 changes. Very good examples and tips on how to train all staff on changes.

Excellent workshop that is well worth the time to attend. Current and relative information presented in professional manner. A great experience!

This was an excellent workshop. We received a lot of valuable information. The time just flew by because I was so engrossed in the information being presented.

Very beneficial – I would not be able to teach my staff and physicians the changes without this seminar.