2019 Coding & Reimbursement Workshop

September 20-21, 2019
Friday, Sept. 20: 1:00 - 5:00 PM Central Time
Saturday, Sept. 21: 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM Central Time
Hyatt Rosemont, Rosemont IL (Near O'Hare Airport)

2019 Coding & Reimbursement Workshop Pricing
SVS member: $880 (applies to staff of an SVS member)
Non-member: $955
Resident/Trainees: $250

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Program Overview
Vascular surgeons and their support staff need to maintain knowledge and competence for appropriate billing and coding procedures. The Coding and Reimbursement for Vascular Surgeons course is an intensive two-day program designed to address updates including changes to endovascular stent placement outside the lower extremity and PQRS as well as coding for intravascular embolization and retrograde intrathoracic carotid stenting.

Click here for the 2019 Coding & Reimbursement Workshop Agenda

Learning Objectives
At the end of the session, participants should be able to:
• Discuss the CPT and Medicare changes.
• Demonstrate the application of modifiers for streamlined reimbursement.
• Define the Global Surgical Package and how it impacts billing and reimbursement.
• Understand the principle of component-coding.
• Discuss the correct coding for key endovascular and open vascular procedures

Who Should Attend?
These courses are designed for vascular surgeons and their office staff including practice managers, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, surgery schedulers, coders, and others who seek to improve and expand their knowledge of accurate coding and reimbursement for vascular surgery.

Program Faculty
Sean P. Roddy, MD, is Professor of Surgery at Albany Medical College and Chief of Vascular Surgery at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, NY. Additionally, Dr. Roddy is the CPT Advisor for the Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS) and sits on the SVS Board of Directors as Chair of the Policy and Advocacy Council. He serves on numerous committees for both national and regional vascular surgery societies.

Teri Romano, BSN, MBA, CPC, CMDP, of Karen Zupko & Associates is a speaker and consultant in coding and reimbursement and participates as a faculty member in coding and reimbursement workshops sponsored by national medical specialty societies including the Society of Vascular Surgery, the American Association of Neurosurgeons, the American College of Surgeons and the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. She also provides customized coding and reimbursement courses directly to physicians and their staffs as well as E & M and operative note audits to assist practices with their compliance activities.

Sunita D. Srivastava, MD, FACS, is Vice Chair of the CPT/RUC committee of the Society for Vascular Surgery. She is a practicing open and minimally invasive vascular surgeon in the Division of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery at the Massachusetts General Hospital. She serves as the Quality Director and Radiation Safety Officer for the division as well as a member of AMC Fee Council which oversees the reimbursement contracts of the Partners Health Care System.

Robert M. Zwolak, MD, PhD, is a vascular surgeon and professor of surgery at Dartmouth Medical School and Chief of Surgery at Manchester VA Medical Center. He maintains a busy clinical practice in open and interventional vascular surgery. He has extensive vascular surgery coding expertise, having served on the SVS Health Policy Committee for over 15 years. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons General Surgery Coding and Reimbursement Committee, and he served two terms on the American Medical Association/Specialty Society Relative Value Update Committee (RUC). He is a past president of the Society for Vascular Surgery.

Accreditation
The Society for Vascular Surgery® is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Designation of Credit
The Society for Vascular Surgery designates this live activity for a maximum of 11.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.
E & M Coding for Vascular Surgeons (Optional Workshop)

Friday, September 20, 2019
9:00 AM - Noon Central Time
Hyatt Rosemont, Rosemont IL (Near O'Hare Airport)

2019 Registration Fees for the E & M Optional Course
SVS Member: $100
Non-member: $125
Residents/Trainees: $50

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Program Overview
Evaluation and management (EM) codes continue to be misunderstood and misused by physicians. Medicare and private payers have responded by targeting E & M services for audit. This workshop will focus on coding and documentation rules for choosing a correct E & M category and level of service, specifically for the vascular surgeon. Differences between Medicare and private payers will be reviewed.

This information is critical. We discuss how to select a category of EM, new, established, consult, or inpatient code, and how to select a level of service. Still a significant area of audits for payors, both Medicare and CPT have proposed major changes to the way EM codes are reported and paid. Not understanding these changes will impact your reimbursement negatively in the upcoming years.

Click here for the 2019 E&M Coding for Vascular Surgeons (Optional Workshop) Agenda

Learning Objectives
At the end of the session, participants should be able to:
• Describe the coding and documentation rules for key E & M categories.
• Identify the difference between Medicare and private payers as related to E & M coding.
• Understand the documentation requirements for the history, exam and medical decision making components for an E & M service.
• Discuss the correct use of E & M modifiers in vascular surgery.

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**Accreditation**
The Society for Vascular Surgery® is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**Designation of Credit**
The Society for Vascular Surgery® designates this educational activity for a maximum of 3.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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**AAPC Credit**
This program meets AAPC guidelines for 3.0 CEUs. Can be used for Core A and all specialties except CIRCC and CASCC for continuing education units. This program has the prior approval of AAPC for continuing education hours. Granting of prior approval in no way constitutes endorsement by AAPC of the program content or the program sponsor.

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**Scholarship Opportunity**

This year, a limited number of scholarships are available to vascular residents and fellows currently enrolled in a vascular residency program. A completed application and a verification letter from the residence program must be completed on or before August 23, 2019 for consideration. Successful candidates will be notified by August 30, 2019.

**Selection Criteria:**
The scholarship awards of $500 will be awarded at the end of the course. To be considered, applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled in a vascular residency program
- Complete the online application
- Provide a letter of verification from their vascular residency program
- Purchase the course
- Attend the Coding course in full
- Be present at the conclusion to receive the award on site

**Verification Letter:**
Applicants are required to submit a letter from their department or residency program to the SVS Education Department to verify current status as a vascular resident or fellow.

For questions, contact John Stangel at the SVS at jstangel@vascularsociety.org

Applications are due by August 23, 2019. Applications will not be accepted after August 23, 2019.
Hotel and Reservation Information

Hyatt Rosemont Hotel – 6350 N. River Road, Rosemont, IL 60018
Phone: 847-518-1234   Reservations: 888-421-1442

Enjoy the conveniently located, comfortable and quiet, Hyatt Rosemont. Just three minutes from O'Hare International Airport, where our guests enjoy free 24-hour airport shuttle service. This boutique style hotel is just minutes from downtown Chicago’s bustling shopping, nightlife, cultural events, and 100s of Chicago’s renowned restaurants.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Hyatt Rosemont at a special rate of $129 single or double occupancy per night (subject to applicable state, local and occupancy tax, currently at 14%). Rooms are available only until the block sells out or before August 29, 2019, so be sure to call for reservations as soon as possible!

Reservations may be made by calling the reservation desk at 888-421-1442. Please be sure to identify yourself as part of the 2019 SVS/Coding Course and mention the group code G-SVSS. Reservations may also be made online. Click here to make your hotel reservation. Click here for a downloadable PDF of the Hyatt Rosemont Hotel, reservation information, and transportation details.

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The SVS group rate at the Hyatt is nearly sold out so act now to make your reservation. Additional rooms are available at the Marriott Courtyard Suites.

Marriott Chicago Courtyard O'Hare - 2950 S River Rd, Des Plaines, IL 60018
Phone: 847-824-7000   Reservations: 800-321-2211

An additional block of rooms has been reserved at the Marriott Chicago Courtyard O'Hare, located at 2950 S. River Rd., Des Plaines (about a 10 minute walk to the Hyatt Rosemont Hotel) at a rate of $109 per night, plus applicable taxes. Rooms are held on a first-come, first-served basis until September 6, 2019. You may book your room via the following link: Book your group rate for Society of Vascular Surgery Room Block or, call 866-792-9221 and reference the Society for Vascular Surgery room block to reserve.

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Dinner Invitation

Need dinner plans at the Coding Course? A reservation has been made for attendees for 6:00 pm on Friday,
September 20 at Hofbrauhaus Restaurant. The restaurant is located at 5500 Park Place, Rosemont, IL in the popular Parkway Bank Park Entertainment District of Rosemont. It is a quick 5 minute Uber/ Lyft/ cab ride from the Hyatt Rosemont, or about a 35 minute walk.

Transportation and meal cost are the responsibility of the attendee.
Restaurant link: http://www.hofbrauhauschicago.com/

Please click here to RSVP so that we can ensure there is enough space for all who would like to attend. Please RSVP no later than Friday, September 13.
Hope to see you there!

Please contact the SVS Education Department with any questions.