

E/M Coding for Vascular Surgeons Workshop November 3, 2025 OLC Education & Conference Center Rosemont, IL

Course Agenda

(Subject to Change)

7:15am – 8:00am Registration / Continental Breakfast

8:00am - 10:30am

E/M Coding

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- E/M Guidelines: 2025 Update
 - o Billing Based on Time: What is included in the calculation of Time?
 - Using Time: Opportunities and Limitations
- Element #1: Number and Complexity of Problems Addressed
 - Defining the terms to determine the severity of the Problem
 - Acute vs Chronic, Stable vs Exacerbating
 - Document the Problem(s) and the Severity
- Element #2: Data to Be Reviewed and Analyzed
 - o Documenting Data: What is ordered? What is reviewed?
 - What counts as a Unique Test?
 - What counts as an External Note?
 - Who qualifies as an Independent Historian and what information counts as independent?
 - What needs to be documented to count as Independent Interpretation?
 - What counts as a Discussion of Management or Tests?
- Element #3: Risk of Complications and/or Morbidity or Mortality of Patient Management
 - o Defining Risk: The Treatment Plan
 - Documenting Level of Risk
 - o What determines the level of Risk?
 - Does Urgency or Severity of a Problem Impact Risk?

Does the Place of Service Matter?

- Office/Outpatient
- o Inpatient/Observation
- Consultations
- Same Day Admit and Discharge
- Emergency Department



10:45am - 12:00pm

ICD-10 Codes - New!

- o Documentation Matters
- o Avoid Unspecified

Telehealth Updates - New!

- o What is New for 2025
- o What can we expect in 2026?

E/M Modifiers

Defining and Applying Modifier 25 and 57

Advanced Practice Provider/Qualified Health Care Provider (NP/PA) Billing

- Office/Outpatient: Incident To vs. Direct Billing
- Hospital: Shared Split Services
- Residents in Academic Institutions
- Documentation

12:00 pm

Adjourn / Lunch