Please note: There is a separate registration fee to attend this optional workshop.

7:00 am  Registration (Breakfast on your own)
8:00 am  E & M Coding: 2021 Changes to New and Established Patient Guidelines. Are you ready??
*Teri Romano, BSN, MBA, CPC*
- Why the change?
- 2021 CPT /AMA Guidelines
- Medicare Response
- Billing based on Medical Decision Making
- Billing based on Time
- Potential Reimbursement impact. Tracking trends
- Implementing Documentation Changes
- Action Plan

E & M Coding Overview
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- Medicare, Private Payers and the Focus on E & M Audits: What Are They Looking for and What Makes a Vascular Surgeon an Audit Target?
- EHR and E & M Coding: How It Can Optimize Your E & M Revenues and Why your EHR is an audit risk
- Medicare current and proposed changes in EM coding and reimbursement.
- CPT/AMA Proposed changes to E&M coding
- New E & M codes for Interprofessional telephone consultation

9:30 am  
The Process of Choosing an E & M Code: What to Think about Before You Check Off that E & M Code for Billing!
- What Determines an E & M Category
  - Consults: The Rules Still Apply for Some Private Payers!
  - New vs. Established Patients. What if Your Partner or Physician Assistant Saw the Patient 2 Years Ago?
  - Medicare vs. CPT Category Guidelines
  - Category Scenarios. Which One Would You Select?

10:30 am  Break
10:45 am -noon  
- E&M Modifiers
  - Modifier 25: When Can You Report Both a Procedure (Like a Debridement) and an E & M Code?
  - Modifier 24: Learn Why Use/Overuse of This Modifier Can Make You an Audit Target
  - Modifier 57: What To Do about Denials When Using This Modifier
- The Three Key Components of an E & M Level – Matching your Documentation to the Right Level
• HPI- how much is enough and why it matters who documents it. 2020 changes you should be using now.
• ROS Documentation: What’s enough?
• Using the 1995 exam or the 1997? What’s the Best Bet for Vascular Surgeons? What Exam Elements “Count” and How Many Do I Need for a Level 4 Visit? Can you mix and match?
• What are the Minimal Requirements for a Level 4? A Level 5?
• What Part of My Assessment and Plan Translates into Medical Decision Making and What Distinguishes Low from High Decision Making? How Does Medical Necessity Relate to Decision Making?
• Billing Based on Time. When Can This Be Used and What Needs to Be Documented?
• Case scenarios: Determining an accurate E/M level

Non-Physician Practitioner Billing: Medicare Rule
• Incident to vs. Direct Billing
• How will the new 2021 guidelines impact NPP billing?
• Payment and Policy Essentials
• Shared Billing: Are You in Compliance
• What about private payers? Will they pay for PA or NP services?
• Medicare potential changes to NPP Billing

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