

Coding Bonus Session

Today's session will cover a variety of topics including assistance with fine tuning your E/M coding to recognize and correctly assign codes for Wellness and Illness services. Many questions surround non-clinician visits (nurse visits) and we will discuss which types of services are billable and which are not. Appropriate coding for E/M and surgical services rendered on the same date will also be examined with a look at orthopedic coding and guidelines related to fractures and endoscopic services. Here's help for coders who struggle with coding injection services including immunizations and infusions.

Shawn R. Hafer, CCS-P, CPC, consultant and co-owner of Brown Consulting has more than 20 years of physician coding and reimbursement experience in a variety of specialties. She holds coding certifications from both the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) and the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) and is a member of both organizations.

Shawn has been with Brown Consulting for 11 years and is a coding instructor at the College of Southern Idaho and for Northwest Regional Primary Care Association. She provides coding seminars and webinars for many state medical associations including the Idaho Medical Association, Montana Medical Association, Iowa Medical Society, West Virginia Primary Care Association, Northwest Regional Primary Care Association and many other regional and national groups.

She is uniquely qualified due to her diverse management skills and experience, as well as her coding and billing expertise. Her coding and documentation training projects have included small rural health clinics served by visiting providers to large inner-city clinics with more than 100 providers. Shawn has worked with healthcare defense attorneys on behalf of physicians involved in third party payer audits. Shawn attended the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, ID and Pima College in Tucson, AZ.