

## **MEDICAL CODING ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATE (MCOD C189)**

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Delivering quality healthcare depends on capturing accurate and timely medical data; medical coding professionals fulfill this need as key players in the healthcare workplace. The OCC Medical Coding Associate certificate program will prepare students for the Certificate Coding Associate exam/certification (<http://www.ahima.org/certification/cca.aspx>).

Health information coding is the transformation of verbal descriptions of diseases, injuries, and procedures into numeric or alphanumeric designations. The coding of health-related data permits access to medical records by diagnoses and procedures for use in clinical care, research, and education. Medical coders assign a code to each diagnosis and procedure by using classification systems software. The classification system determines the amount for which healthcare providers will be reimbursed if the patient is covered by Medicare, Medicaid, or other insurance programs using the system. Coders may use several coding systems, such as those required for ambulatory settings, physician offices, or long-term care.

Medical Coding Associate students must pass all courses in the program with at least a C and maintain a minimum term GPA of 2.0 to proceed through the program.

<b>First Semester</b>	<b>Credit Hours 17</b>
BOC 1201 Beginning Keyboarding <b>OR</b> Equivalent Skills	V2
DAP 1201 Business Computer Systems	3
GEN 2297 Employment Skills	V2
HEA 1225 Introduction to Medical Terminology	V3
HEA 2264 Medical Insurance & Coding I	3
MED 2204 Intro to Health Information	4

<b>Third Semester</b>	<b>Credit Hours 8</b>
MED 2209 Advanced Coding	4
MED 2211 Certification Prep	1
MED 2298 Coding Practicum	<u>3</u>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b><u>40</u></b>

<b>Second Semester</b>	<b>Credit Hours 15</b>
HEA 2215 Electronic Med Records Mgmt	3
HEA 2266 Medical Insurance and Coding II	3
LSC 2265 Medical Assisting Anatomy	3
MED 2206 Intro to Pathophys & Pharm	3
MED 2208 Reimbursement & Revenue Cycle	3