

Allowed Reference Material



Required References

- CPT® (AMA Standard or Professional edition ONLY)
- Your choice of ICD-9-CM (expert editions are allowed)
- Your choice of HCPCS Level II (expert editions are allowed)

Note: Any officially published corrections or errata belonging to these three references are also permitted. AAPC's study guides, *CPT® Assistant* or other CPT® books **may not** be used as reference material during the exam. The AAPC uses only the current calendar year codes on all exams. Second attempt exams occurring in the next calendar year will not be permitted to take the previous year's exam. AAPC strongly recommends using current year coding manuals.

References manuals for Specialty exams must be published (a Medical Dictionary is allowed as a reference book for Specialty Exams Only)

		Highly Recommended	In addition to Highly Recommended references, also permitted (optional)
Core: Professional	CPC®	None	None
Core: Out-Patient Facility	CPC-H®	None	None
Core: Payer	CPC-P®	None	None
Core: Professional Medical Coding Instructor	CPC-I®	None	None
Core: Interventional Radiology	CIRCC®	Anatomical charts labeled with catheter selectivity ICD-9 not required	None
Core: Certified Professional Medical Auditor	CPMA™	Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997)	Audit Sheet/Tool allowed
Anesthesia/Pain Management	CANPC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ASA RVG ■ CPT crosswalk ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Ambulatory Surgery Center	CASCC™		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Cardiology	CCC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Anatomical charts or pictures of the vascular tree ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Cardiovascular/Thoracic	CCVTC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Anatomical charts or pictures of the vascular tree ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Chiropractic	CCPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Dermatology	CPCD™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Emergency Department	CEDC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Evaluation and Management	CEMC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Family Practice	CFPC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Gastroenterology	CGIC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
General Surgery	CGSC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Hematology/Oncology	CHONC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Internal Medicine	CIMC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Obstetrics/Gynecology	COBGC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Orthopaedic Surgery	COSC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Both volumes of the Coding Companion ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Otolaryngology	CENTC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Pediatric	CPEDC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	CPRC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Rheumatology	CRHC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice
Urology	CUC™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ E/M Audit Worksheet(s) of your choice ■ Both CMS Documentation Guidelines (1995 & 1997) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One reference of your choice