

Medical Coder (Certificate) Program Information Packet

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Program Description

This program prepares you to code medical information from medical records for reimbursement purposes, teaches you about disease processes and trains you to use classification manuals. The certification examination is administered through the American Academy of Professional Coders.

AAPC URL: www.aapc.com

To Get Started

If you are interested in the Medical Coder (certificate) Program, you will first want to apply to TCC at https://www.tccd.edu/admission/ and submit your official transcripts and/or diploma to dt.records@tccd.edu/admission/



Application Process:

- 1. Download, print, and fill out the application
- 2. Gather your required supporting documents:
 - A copy of your high school diploma or GED
 - International high school diplomas must be evaluated for a U.S. equivalency by contacting:

International Academic Credential Evaluators, Inc., Denton, TX

URL: <u>www.iacei.net</u> **Phone:** 940-383-7498

- Any college transcripts to provide proof of exemption from TSI
- 3. Complete and pass the TSI (if you are not able to provide an official or unofficial transcript(s) for exemption review)
- Email your completed application and supporting documents to TR.HealthCareAdvising@tccd.edu
- 5. Register for class once you have been accepted If TCC campus is closed, you will:
 - Register for the course and pay tuition online
 - Get a parking pass (You will be responsible for getting a parking pass.)
 - Receive an email from with book information from the program director

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Courses Required for the Medical Coder Program:

- SCIT-1000 Anatomy & Physiology (40 hours) or any HPRS-2401 Anatomy & Physiology course offered at TCC
- HITT-1005 Medical Terminology (48 hours) or any HPRS-1206 Medical Terminology course offered at TCC
- HITT-1013 ICD-10-CM Coding (48 hours)
- HITT-1005 Coding Procedures, Advanced (48 hours)

HPRS-2401 and HPRS-1206 courses HPRS-2401 and HPRS-1206 courses can be taken at any of the TCC campuses: Northeast, Northwest, South, Southeast, Trinity River, and TCC Connect.

SCIT-1000, HITT-1005, HITT-1013 and HITT-1005 courses are offered face-to-face in the evenings on Trinity River or Trinity River East campuses.

Tuition and fees are the student's responsibility and are due at registration.

For financial aid options, see the Medical Coder webpage (www.tccd.edu/academics/courses-and-programs/programs-a-z/non-credit/medical-coder/).

Textbook Information:

Details Provided by Course Instructor

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Medical Terminology

Determined by AAPC

- ICD-10-CM Coding
- Coding Procedures Advanced

Textbook purchase costs are the student's responsibility.



Certification Fees:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will receive an institutional Certificate of Completion from Tarrant County College and will be qualified to take the national certification exam offered by the AAPC.

The student is responsible for the cost of the certification exam and scheduling the exam at an approved testing center.



Medical Coder (Certificate) Program Application

Information Requested	Fill in Your Details
Today's Date	
Student ID#	
Name (last, first, middle initial)	
Age	
Gender	
Address (including zip)	
Phone	
Email Addresses (personal email & TCC email address)	