



## MEDICAL CODING CERTIFICATE

Medical Coders are skilled in classifying medical data from patient records. The coding practitioner will review patients' records, whether in paper or electronic format, and assign numeric codes for each diagnosis and procedure.

**PROGRAM THE CERTIFICATE IS A PART OF**  
Health Information Technology Program

### JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATES

Individuals skilled in clinical coding are employed as coders for:

- physician's offices
- clinics
- peer review organizations
- consulting firm
- insurance companies

### BE PART OF A FAST-PACED INDUSTRY

Medical coding jobs are plentiful. The demand for coding specialists is expected to rise by 11% through 2028, much faster than the average.

As part of the medical team, the medical coder reviews a patient's file and translates the information from that file into universal codes required by insurance companies. It is the medical coder's responsibility to make sure the right code is being used. There are many illnesses, procedures and medical services, so medical coders must understand basic medical terminology. The daily duties of a medical coder include obtaining data from charts, researching codes and entering information in a computer.

### SALARY

\$25,000 - \$32,000

### LOCATION

Toledo-area Campus

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Apply to Owens Community College and complete the admissions process including placement testing. Submit an application for the Medical Coding Certificate, application is available online. Applicants must have graduated from HS or have a GED.

### REQUIRED COURSES

The Age of Coursework for all Health Information Technology (HIT) courses is 3 years. Please refer to College Policy, Chapter 2 - Academic, 3358:11-2-22 Age of Coursework Policy.

#### 1ST SEMESTER (FALL)

HIT 102	Hlth Info Mgmt & Applications	Credits: 4(Lec: 3 Lab: 3)
HIT 125	Language of Medicine	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
HIT 236	Pathophysiology	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology I*	Credits: 4(Lec: 3 Lab: 3)

#### 2ND SEMESTER (SPRING)

HIT 231	Pharmacology	Credits: 2(Lec: 2)
HIT 233	Clin Classification Syst I	Credits: 5(Lec: 4 Lab: 3)
BIO 212	Anatomy and Physiology II*	Credits: 4(Lec: 3 Lab: 3)

#### 3RD SEMESTER (SUMMER)

HIT 241	Clin Classification Syst II	Credits: 3(Lec: 2 Lab: 3)
HIT 249	Concepts in Med Reimbursement	Credits: 1(Lec: 1)

\*Ohio Transfer Module Course

More information about the Ohio Transfer Module Course can be found at [www.ohiohighered.org/transfer/transfermodule](http://www.ohiohighered.org/transfer/transfermodule)

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