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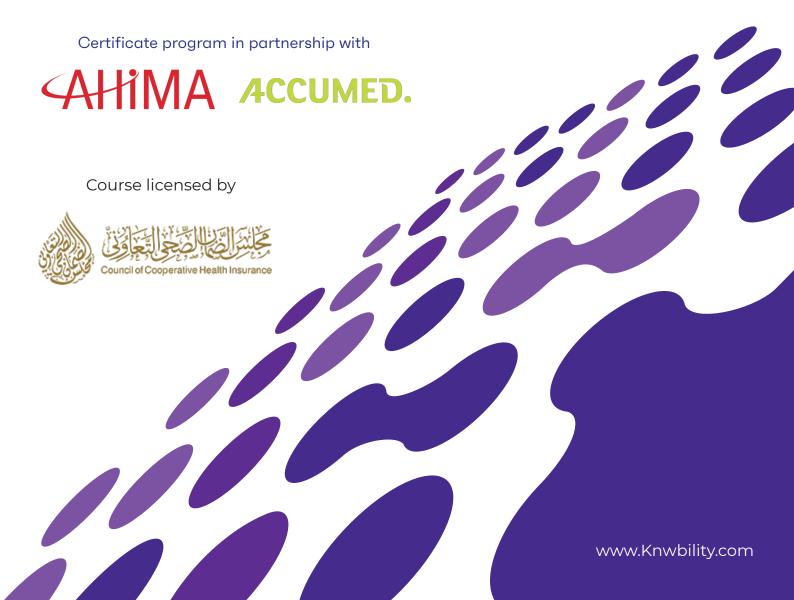# Outpatient Coder Certificate Program

Applying ICD 10 AM/CCHI – BS code sets

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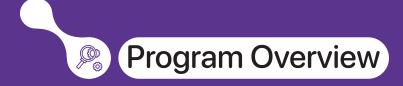Applying ICD 10 AM / CCHI – BS code sets

📄 Program Introduction

Clinical coding is critical for public health reporting. It helps in the assessment of the quality of care, leading to improved health services planning, education, research, and performance monitoring.

The widely used code set for diagnoses is the International Classification of Diseases (ICD), of which the latest implemented version is the 10th edition (ICD 10). The code sets currently used in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia are ICD 10 AM (Australian modification) for diagnosis reporting in all healthcare settings and the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) for inpatient procedure reporting.

A comprehensive team of experts from ACCUMED Practice Management and the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA), came together to develop the CCHI Billing System (CCHI-BS) in response to the requirements and compliance by the regulator that led to the development of this program.

This Outpatient Coder Certificate Program focuses on training healthcare professionals for coding in the ambulatory setting using ICD 10 AM and the Council of Cooperative Health Insurance - Billing System (CCHI-BS).

The course aims at helping the Saudi youth earn the certificate in partnership with AHIMA; that will boost their professional worth and increase the prospects of finding a sustainable profession in the medical coding field over the coming years.
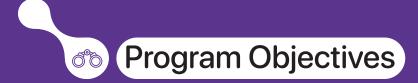
🔍 Program Overview

The Outpatient Coder Certificate Program consists of total 12 modules beginning with an introduction to each of the classifications of the Council of Cooperative Health Insurance - Billing System (CCHI-BS). then moving on to specialty-specific coding, and culminating with a practicum involving application of codes to ambulatory cases.

Those who successfully complete all 12 modules in addition to fulfilling the pre-requisite requirements of other three courses; are eligible to take the Outpatient Coder Certificate exam, administered by AHIMA.

Program Learning Outcomes

Top 5 learning outcomes you will achieve by attending this course:

1. Successfully demonstrate the important role of the coding profession within the healthcare delivery system.
2. Evaluate the compliance of health record content within the health organization.
3. Determine diagnosis and procedure codes according to official coding guidelines.
4. Adhere to workplace policies, procedures, and professional requirements.
5. Ensure compliance with KSA regulatory requirements.

Program Objectives

By the end of this certificate program, you will be able to:

- Identify the structure and organization of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems – Tenth Revision – Australian Modification (ICD 10 AM), Council of Cooperative Health Insurance - Billing System (CCHI-BS).
- Apply the conventions and instructions found in ICD 10 AM, CCHI-BS.
- Determine diagnosis and procedure codes for ambulatory cases.

Program Pre-Requisites

To gain full value of the Outpatient Coder Certificate Program, you must have a foundation of medical sciences to ensure a thorough understanding of the classification systems. You must demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of the following subjects.

– Anatomy and Physiology
– Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
– Medical Terminology

You have two options available to fulfill these course pre-requisite requirements. These fall under two categories:

Option 1
Provide proof of medical license (Those with a medical background)

Those holding a current medical license, such as medical doctor, dentist, physiotherapist, registered nurse, pharmacist, or others, may provide proof of their license to the program administrator and be exempt from taking the three pre-requisite courses and the Challenge Exam. You will proceed to take the 12 module course directly.

Option 2
Successfully complete three modules to enhance medical knowledge *
(Those without a medical background)

Those without a medical background will have to successfully pass all three modules, then you will proceed on to the next 12 coding modules.

The first three modules are on:
I) Anatomy & Physiology
II) Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
III) Medical Terminology

The Challenge Exam

Consists of 100 questions covering the topics of anatomy and physiology, pathophysiology and pharmacology, and medical terminology. Participants who pass the Challenge Exam with a minimum score of 70% will receive credit and will not need to take the three pre-requisite modules. Those who do not pass the Challenge Exam will be required to complete the three pre-requisite courses earlier listed.

If you have a minimum of 5 years of experience in medical coding but do not have a medical educational background, you may elect to sit for the Challenge Exam before beginning the 12 module program.

Program Overview, Delivery Methodology and Accreditation Exam

The Outpatient Coder Certificate Program consists of 12 modules. Those who successfully complete all 12 modules in addition to complying with the pre-requisites will then be eligible to take the Outpatient Coder exam, administered by AHIMA. The program will be delivered using blended learning approach to enhance the participants learning experience and to reinforce comprehension of material.

Each module of the program will offer:
– Audio-visual lecture covering content (either face-to-face or online).
– Explanation of section-specific coding guidelines.
– Case studies demonstrated by trainers.
– Participants to practice assigning codes to case scenarios with instructor feedback.
– Module assessment must be passed with a minimum score of 70%.

Accreditation Exam:
– Upon successful completion of the program, the student will be eligible to take the Outpatient Coder Certificate exam.
– Exam will be available via online proctored service or in-person with an AHIMA-Approved Trainer.
– Exam must be passed with a score of 70%.

Outpatient Coder Certificate Program - Blended Learning

Module Number	Pre-requisite Modules*	Total Hours
I	Medical Terminology – (Online learning only)	45
II	Anatomy and Physiology – (Online learning only)	60
III	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology – (Online learning only)	45

Module Number	Outpatient Coder Certificate Program (Blended learning)	Total Hours
1	Introduction to the Coding Profession	Total program hours 160*
2	Introduction to KSA Billing System: ICD 10 AM, CCHI -BS	
3	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Nervous and Endocrine	
4	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Eye, Ear, Nose, Mouth and Pharynx	
5	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Dental and Respiratory	
6	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Cardiovascular and Blood	
7	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Digestive and Urinary	
8	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Male Genital, Gynecological and Obstetric	
9	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Musculoskeletal, Dermatological and Breast	
10	Outpatient Clinical Coding: Ancillary Services (Radiation Oncology, Non invasive Interventions, Imaging, Pathology, Laboratory, Ambulance, and KSA Service Codes)	
11	Practicum: Clinical Coding Cases	
12	Preparing for the Workplace: Leadership, Ethics, Privacy, Security, and Professionalism	

* Program is available under two formats.
    1- Trainer support and intervention at regular intervals during the week (12 weeks)
    2- Complete self-study model
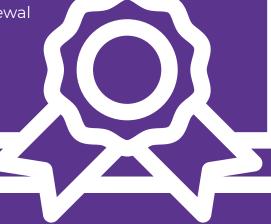
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Maintenance of Certificate

Once an individual has earned the Outpatient Coder Certificate Program, there are requirements to maintain the certificate.

The specific requirements will be followed as and when announced by CCHI or SCFHS.

Additional requirements to maintain AHIMA certification:
– Participate in professional development activities annually on relevant coding topics
    – Note: Applicable CEU activities as part of additional requirements must be prior approved by AHIMA and ACCUMED (a list of eligible activities will be provided to the certificate-holders)
– Obtain twenty (20) CEUs every 2 years
– Maintenance fee applies for the renewal every two years
– Professional certificate and digital badge will be issued from AHIMA

Ways to Register

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Participation Fee

Fee for participants with medical background   **SAR 15,250**

Fee for participants without medical background   **SAR 18,750**

- Make a saving of SAR 3,750 by choosing the SELF STUDY format with no trainer support.
- Register before March 14 and benefit from SAR 1000 early bird discount.
- Applicable VAT will be added to the final fee.

Certificate

Participants who complete all modules and pass the AHIMA exam will be awarded a certificate and digital badge.

Payment

To secure your seat for this program, please complete a registration form and pay the full fees before the due date. All registrations are subject to acceptance by Knwbility and will be confirmed with you in writing.

Cancellation

If, having registered and paid for a place, you are unable to attend this program, a substitute delegate is welcome to attend in your place. Any participant who cancels seven days or less before the program begins are liable to pay the full fee.

Knwbility reserves the right to cancel this program, change its date or alter the trainers, if necessary.

About Knwbility

Knwbility is a subsidiary of Pulse Holdings, a group of companies specialized in providing Revenue Cycle Management (RCM) solutions for the healthcare sector. Knwbility is a knowledge center providing educational and training services to healthcare professionals in the region.

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