

## **MEDICAL CODER**

I organize and manage health information data to ensure that the information maintains its quality, accuracy, accessibility, and security in both paper files and electronic systems. I also use various classification systems to code and categorize patient information for insurance reimbursement purposes, for databases and registries, and to maintain patients' medical and treatment histories.

## THESE ARE THE THINGS I DO ON A DAILY BASIS:

- Review patients' records for timeliness, completeness, accuracy, and appropriateness of data
- Organize and maintain data for clinical databases and registries
- Track patient outcomes for quality assessment; Use classification software to assign clinical codes for reimbursement and data analysis
- Electronically record data for collection, storage, analysis, retrieval, and reporting
- Maintain confidentiality of patients' records



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# Why this job is a good fit?

- Provide support and service to others
- Working conditions
- Independence
- Work value

## Tools I use

- Computers
- Readers and Encoders
- Medical Charting Systems
- Microfiche/Microfilm Viewers
- Accounting/Database



Resources: This and other Career Data Sheets available on www.epicworkforce.net. Information may vary by job and should be verified before pursuing a position. Other related information is available at onetonline.org, careeronestop.org, jobcenter.usa.gov, and www.bls.gov/ooh/.

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### Why I enjoy my job as a Medical Coder:

- ▶ I work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive environment.
- I work where management stands behind employees.
- I can work on my own and make decisions.

### IMPORTANT SKILLS AND ABILITIES FOR THE JOB:

- Clerical
- English Language
- Computers and Electronics
- Reading Comprehension
- Active Listening
- Customer/Personal Service
- Writing/Speaking
- Critical Thinking

## **INSPIRE.**

### CERTIFICATE

Health Care Specialist Medical Receptionist Medical Scribe

Medical Coder

Technician

**2 YEAR DEGREE** 

Medical Records

### **4 YEAR DEGREE**

Medical or Health Services Manager

#### MASTER'S DEGREE

Medical or Health Services Director

Health Information Manager

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## **CREDENTIALS OFFERED:**

Check for credential specifics at your KCTCS Home College!!

## CERTIFICATES

ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS | MEDICAL CODING | HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS MEDICAL SCRIBE | HEALTH CARE SPECIALIST | MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST

## DEGREES

ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS | MEDICAL CODING

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