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## **Instructor Certification Course Syllabus**

### **Pre-Requisites:**

The individual must hold an AAPC certification, be a member in good standing and have at least five years coding experience.

The individual must have submitted the instructor application.

(<http://www.aapc.com/instructor-application>)

### **Course Description:**

The Professional Medical Coding Instructor Certification course prepares the candidate for a career in teaching future coders through comprehension of the coding curriculum, understanding the needs of adult learners, practical application, and teaching certification.

**Course Cost:** \$495

### **Course Objectives:**

1. Proficiency in teaching the guidelines of the CPT<sup>®</sup>, ICD-9-CM, and HCPCS Coding manuals.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the motivations of adult learners and factors involved in teaching adult learners.
3. Develop self confidence and presentation skills.
4. Techniques for a solid business plan and marketing yourself.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of the Professional Medical Coding Instructor License Program.

### **Included Textbooks/Supplies:**

1. Teaching Adults  
The Essential FE Toolkit Series  
Author: Amanda Hayes

### **Additional Required Textbooks (to be purchased by candidate):**

1. ICD-9-CM Volumes 1 & 2 (current version)
2. CPT Professional Edition (current version)
3. HCPCS Level II Professional (current version)

### **Methods of Evaluation:**

1. Lectures
2. Group Discussion Board Assignments (40% of final grade)
3. Module Reviews (60% of final grade)

### **Course Length:**

This course is designed to be a five week course; completed and accessed online through <http://aapc.blackboard.com>.

### **Assignments:**

Module 01 – Teaching Through the Guidelines  
Module 02 – Classroom Dynamics  
Module 03 – Adult Learning  
Module 04 – Marketing  
Module 05 – The PMCC Instructor Program  
Final online exam

**Note:** Your CPC-I certification is not complete until both the written coding exam and verbal presentation are completed. The CPC-I written exam is 50 multiple choice coding questions; candidates must score at least 70% to pass. The exam must be taken at a proctored exam site. A 15 minute presentation is required and evaluated by peers; evaluation forms are submitted to AAPC for evaluation.