



Allied Health

Medical Insurance & Coding Specialist

2
Years

TO DEGREE

1
Year

TO CERTIFICATE

61%

MEDICAL SPECIALIST WITH

Associate Degree

70,000+

DISEASE CLASSIFICATIONS

In the ICD-10 Code Set

Program Overview

Medical insurance coding combines healthcare industry savvy with organization and accuracy. The program prepares students for entry-level positions with coursework on procedural and diagnostic coding in a medical office setting. Students learn to correctly identify codes for procedures and diagnoses from physician statements, and positively contribute to the activities of a medical office. Prior experience in a medical office is beneficial, but not required.

Job Outlook

As the complexity of healthcare and health insurance grows, so does the need for accurate tracking and attribution of medical care costs. Employment openings in the medical records fields are likely to grow “much faster than average” according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Given that healthcare is Monterey’s third largest sector, there is an abundance of local opportunities to pursue.

CAREERS

Medical Transcriptionists

\$24,190 - \$62,640

Medical Administration Assistants

\$28,940 - \$62,540

Medical Insurance Coders

\$31,800 - \$82,100

*Medical & Health Service Mgrs.

\$65,140 - \$207,610

*Healthcare Info. Tech Specialists

\$80,166 - \$122,315

*Requires additional training
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
(CA Data) and Salary.com



Opportunities abound in the vast field of health information management, including advancement to become a department supervisor or office manager, or starting an independent business.



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Suggested Course Sequence

Associate in
Science Degree
MPC GE Pattern

YEAR	FALL		SPRING	
		Units		Units
1	ENGL 1A	3	Area A2	4
	LIBR 50	1	MATH 16 rec.	
	CSIS 50 & 50L	3	ANAT 5	4
	MEDA 100	1	MEDA 101	3
	MEDA 105	4	MEDA 114	2
	Elective	3	MEDA 117	3
	PERS 50 rec.			
	Total Fall Units	15	Total Spring Units	16
2	FALL		SPRING	
	MEDA 112	2	HLTH 4 or PSYC 50	3
	MEDA 113	3	Area F	3
	MEDA 118	3	MPC Elective	3
	Area C	3	MPC Elective	3
	Area D	3	MPC Elective	3
	Total Fall Units	14	Total Fall Units	15

Total Units:
31

Total Units:
29

This is a suggested sequence of coursework and is one pathway for students to earn their degree/certificate. This is not an official educational plan. A counselor is able to assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. For more information about counseling and up-to-date program requirements, please visit www.mpc.edu/counseling.



The expertise of my instructors at MPC helped me with my career in the healthcare industry. As a medical billing manager, I streamline and oversee all billing and collection processes. My extensive experience and knowledge is a direct result from attending MPC. I am set up for a lifelong career in the healthcare industry.

Elvia Avina
MPC Graduate

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