

CPT Coding Resources

About CPT Codes

Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes are maintained by the American Medical Association (AMA). While the full CPT codebook requires purchase, many free resources are available for learning.

Free CPT Resources

CMS HCPCS/CPT Resources

Access: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coding-billing/healthcare-common-procedure-system>

Available: - HCPCS Level II codes (free) - CPT/HCPCS code lookup tools - Medicare fee schedules

AMA CPT Information

Access: <https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/cpt>

Available: - CPT code structure information - Category explanations - Coding guidelines - E/M coding resources

Free CPT Learning Resources

Resource	Description	Link
CMS Physician Fee Schedule	Code lookup with RVU values	https://www.cms.gov/medicare/physician-fee-schedule/search
E/M Coding Guidelines	Evaluation & Management coding	https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/cpt/cpt-evaluation-and-management
Medicare Coverage Database	Coverage and coding articles	https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database

CPT Code Structure

Category I Codes (00100-99499)

- Evaluation and Management (99201-99499)
- Anesthesia (00100-01999)
- Surgery (10004-69990)
- Radiology (70010-79999)
- Pathology and Laboratory (80047-89398)
- Medicine (90281-99607)

Category II Codes (0001F-9999F)

- Performance measurement tracking codes

Category III Codes (0042T-0899T)

- Emerging technology and services
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Study Tips

1. Focus on E/M coding first (most common)
 2. Learn code structure and categories
 3. Practice with real scenarios
 4. Use CMS Medicare Learning Network courses
 5. Reference guidelines when coding
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