

Section II

Chapter Lesson Plans and Answer Keys

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION TO CURRENT PROCEDURAL TERMINOLOGY

LESSON PLAN

Time:	2–3 hours instructor preparation 3 hours in-class lecture time 1 hour in-class lab time (if lab component is part of course)
Topics:	History of Current Procedural Terminology The Structure and Design of CPT CPT as Part of HCPCS
Overview:	This chapter presents an overview, the development, and the format of CPT. It further discusses the symbols used in CPT and the process of locating codes. The main sections are introduced. Level I and Level II codes that are found in HCPCS are also discussed.

OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss the purpose of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT).
2. Explain the development of CPT.
3. Summarize the format of CPT.
4. Discuss the symbols used in CPT.
5. Understand how to locate a CPT code.
6. Outline the six main sections of CPT.
7. Differentiate among Level I and Level II codes in HCPCS.

EXERCISE ANSWERS

1.1 – Check Your Understanding

Code	Section/Subsection
1. 70300	Radiology/Diagnostic Radiology (Diagnostic Imaging)
2. 60220	Surgery/Endocrine System
3. 26034	Surgery/Musculoskeletal System
4. 88036	Pathology & Laboratory—Anatomic Pathology
5. 43651	Surgery/Digestive System
6. 38115	Surgery/Hemic and Lymphatic Systems
7. 99304	Evaluation and Management/Nursing Facility Services
8. 97010	Medicine/Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
9. 77021	Radiology/Radiologic Guidance
10. 65112	Surgery/Eye and Ocular Adnexa
11. 90371	Medicine/Immune Globulins, Serum, or Recombinant Products
12. 99203	Evaluation and Management/Office or Other Outpatient Services
13. 10160	Surgery/Integumentary System
14. 33120	Surgery/Cardiovascular System
15. 50100	Surgery/Urinary System
16. 21811	Surgery/Musculoskeletal System
17. 66184	Surgery/Eye and Ocular Adnexa
18. 52441	Surgery/Urinary System
19. 61000	Surgery/Nervous System
20. 59074	Surgery/Maternity Care and Delivery

CHAPTER REVIEW ANSWERS

True/False

- False
- True
- False
- False
- True

Fill in the Blank

- American Medical Association (AMA)
- Appendix A
- Six
- Semicolon
- Index

Coding Assignments

1. Anesthesia
2. Surgery
3. Pathology and Laboratory
4. Surgery
5. Surgery
6. Medicine
7. Evaluation and Management
8. Radiology
9. Surgery
10. Medicine
11. Surgery
12. Radiology
13. Surgery
14. Pathology and Laboratory
15. Medicine
16. Medicine
17. Pathology and Laboratory
18. Radiology
19. Surgery
20. Medicine

Short Answer

1. Unlisted procedure or service: A service may be provided that is not specifically listed in the CPT manual. When this occurs, an unlisted procedure code is used from within a specific subsection of the CPT manual.
2. Add-on codes are codes that are listed as secondary to a main procedure code and are used in conjunction with the main code. Add-on codes are not to be reported alone.
3. Modifiers are two-digit codes that are appended to a CPT code to enhance or further describe a service provided.
4. A special report may be required by some third-party payers when an unusual, variable, or new service is provided. Information contained in the special report includes a description of the nature, extent, and need for the procedure and the time, effort, and equipment necessary to provide the service.
5. The Alphabetical Reference Index is an expanded alphabetical index that includes listings by the name of the procedure and anatomic site. Eponyms and other designations are also included in the index.
6. The section numbers and their sequences are as follows:

Evaluation and Management	99201–99499
Anesthesia	00100–01999, 99100–99140
Surgery	10021–69990
Radiology (including Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic Ultrasound)	70010–79999
Pathology and Laboratory	80047–89398, 0001U–0071U
Medicine (except Anesthesia)	90281–99199, 99500–99607

7. Code	Answer
11047	yes
60540	no
36100	no
63082	yes
81416	yes
8. Code	Answer
99201	no
20975	yes
97535	no
93618	yes
36620	yes