Learning Objectives:

As a result of attending this course, you will be able to:

- Choose surgery modifiers that optimize payment and reduce risk.
- Use surgery coding that meets CPT rules and government regulations, for commonly performed procedures.
- Integrate ENT subspecialty coding principles in otology/neurotology, rhinology, laryngology, facial plastics, head and neck surgery, and sleep surgery.
- Demonstrate comprehension on how to code for new ENT technology procedures.
- Compliantly apply new and revised otolaryngology CPT codes into your practice.

The Global Surgical Package 8:00am -10:00am

- Global Surgical Package
- Coding for pre-op visits
 - Post-op visits related to the procedure
 - o Post-op visits unrelated to the procedure

Using Modifiers to Get Paid

- Commonly used modifiers in an ENT practice when to use them and how they impact reimbursement
- Modifiers 22 (increased service) vs. 52 (reduced service) vs. 53 (discontinued procedure)
- Modifiers 50 (bilateral procedure) and 51 (multiple procedures)
- Unravel the confusion between modifiers 51 vs. 59 vs. Medicare's X- modifiers.
- Performing a procedure when you're already in a global period is it included in the global period you're already in or can it be separately reported?
- Using modifiers 58 (staged/anticipated procedure), 78 (unplanned procedure) and 79 (unrelated procedure)
- Explanation of the assistant surgeon (80, 82) vs. co-surgeon (62) modifiers
- KZA's "quick guide" to surgery code modifiers

Surgical Procedure Coding

9:15am - 10:00am

- Using an unlisted code when to use one, how to value the code, payor coverage policy and strategies for reimbursement
- Operative Report Dictation Tips
- Otology/Neurotology
 - Microscope codes
 - Automated tympanostomy tube delivery
 - Tympanostomy tubes
 - o Intratympanic injection
 - o Epley maneuver
 - o Mastoid debridement
 - Tympanic membrane repair procedures
 - Eustachian tube dilation
 - o Mastoidectomy
 - Osseointegrated Implants
 - Osseointegrated sound processor New codes
 - Vestibular device Implants
 - Cochlear implant
 - o Repair of semicircular canal dehiscence
 - o Cerebellopontine Angle Tumor Excisions

Break

10:00am - 10:15am

Rhinology

10:15am - 11:30am

- Rhinology
 - Nasal swell body treatment
 - Cryotherapy and Radiofrequency Ablation New for 2024
 - Control of Nasal hemorrhage
 - o Inferior turbinate procedures
 - o Endoscopic sinus surgery and sinus dilation
 - Excision of Pituitary Tumor
- Laryngology/Airway
 - Flexible laryngoscopy procedures including laser ablation, tracheostomy and tube change, Botox injections
 - Tracheostomy Placement and Tube Changes
- Billing for Drug Waste

Lunch

11:30am - 12:30pm

Facial Plastics

12:30pm

- Facial Plastics
 - Coding for skin biopsy and lesion removal
 - Wound/laceration repairs
 - Adjacent tissue transfer
 - o Paramedian forehead flap
 - Skin grafts Rhinoplasty
 - o Repair of nasal vestibular stenosis
 - o Repair of nasal valve collapse with lateral wall implant code
 - Energy based repair of nasal valve collapse New
 - Nasal fracture repair code update
 - CMS prior authorization for rhinoplasty procedures there's more to it than just the rhinoplasty codes

Break

1:45pm - 2:00pm

Head and Neck Procedures

2:00pm - 3:00pm

- Head and Neck
 - o Fine needle aspiration
 - Diagnostic head/neck ultrasound
 - o Frenotomy/Frenectomy
 - o Tonsillectomy/adenoidectomy and postop bleed scenarios
 - o Tongue lesion biopsy and excision
 - Lymph node procedures
 - o Thyroidectomy/parathyroidectomy,
 - o Parotidectomy
 - Laryngectomy
 - Glossectomy
 - Skull base surgery (open and endoscopic endonasal)
 - Sleep Endoscopy

Evaluative and Therapeutic Services

3:15pm - 4:00pm

- Allergy and Immunotherapy New
 - Allergy Testing
 - o Medically unlikely edit
 - Allergy Immunotherapy
 - Medicare's supervision requirements
 - Reporting an E/M service on the same date as allergy testing and immunotherapy
 - Diagnosis coding for Allergy and Immunotherapy
 - USP 797

- Audiology New
 - o Medicare Rules for Audiology
 - Coding Audiology Services
 Vestibular function testing

 - Audiologic function testing
 - Hearing rests

Adjourn
4:00pm