

2024 Mastering General Surgery Coding and RVU Optimization

Learning Objectives	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the new 2024 CPT codes for general surgery • Recognize the impact of modifiers on global periods and reimbursement • Identify areas for improvement in surgical documentation • Manage pre-certification and pre-authorization • Select correct codes for common general surgery procedures 	
Agenda	
Global Surgical Package and RVUs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What makes up a surgical package 	8:00-8:15 AM
Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Package Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 54, 55, 56: What if you only perform part of the global package? • Surgeon Role Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 62 vs 80 vs 82: What is your role in the operation? • Same-day / Same Operative Session Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22: What justifies increased payment? ○ 50: Which procedures accept a bilateral modifier? ○ 51 and 59: What's the difference? ○ 52: What constitutes a reduced service ○ 53: Discontinuing vs cancelling a procedure. • Global Period Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 58, 78, 79: What if you perform another procedures during a global? • Unlisted Procedure Strategies for Successful Reimbursement 	8:15-10:00 AM
Break	10:00-10:15 AM
Surgical Approaches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percutaneous vs. Open vs. Laparoscopic - Does it Matter? 	10:15-10:30 AM
Intraoperative Global Package <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services included • Separately reportable services 	10:30-10:45 AM
Surgical Coding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissecting an operative note • Coding for: <i>Hernia Repair; Rectus Advancement Flaps/Component Separation; Colorectal; Damage Control Surgery; Gallbladder; Liver; Endoscopy; Breast; Soft Tissue/Bone Tumor Excision; Intra-Abdominal Lesion Resection; HIPEC; Endocrine Surgery</i> 	10:45 AM-Noon
Lunch	Noon – 1:00 PM
Surgical Coding	1:00-2:45 PM

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Break	2:45-3:00 PM
Surgical Coding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued: Coding for Hernia Repair; Rectus Advancement Flaps/Component Separation; Colorectal; Damage Control Surgery; Gallbladder; Liver; Endoscopy; Breast; Soft Tissue/Bone Tumor Excision; Intra-Abdominal Lesion Resection; HIPEC; Endocrine Surgery 	3:00-3:30 PM
Documentation and Practice Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigating pre-certification and pre-authorization. • Managing denials • RVUs as a compensation metric – issues and solutions • Hospital Employment – action plan before signing a contract 	3:30-4:00 PM
Adjourn	4:00 PM

Resource Addendum	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imaging with central line placement • Central venous access codes • Bariatric procedure update • Must have resources 	