Agenda

Friday, January 25

7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.  BREAKFAST

7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.  Introduction
Francis C. Nichols, MD

7:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  Documentation, Coding Tips, and Considerations for General Thoracic Surgery
Francis C. Nichols, MD, John A. Howington, MD, and Julie Painter, MBA, CCVTC, CPMA
  • Rib, Chest Wall, Bronchial, Pleural, Lung, Mediastinal, and Thymus Procedures

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  BREAK

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  General Thoracic Surgery Coding Continued
  • Esophageal Procedures
  • Questions & Answers

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  LUNCH

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  Documentation, Coding Tips, and Considerations for Adult Cardiac Surgery
V. Seenu Reddy, MD, MBA, Stephen J. Lahey, MD, and Julie Painter, MBA, CCVTC, CPMA
  • CABG and Valve Procedures

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.  BREAK

3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.  Adult Cardiac Surgery Coding Continued
  • Aortic, VAD, and Other Cardiac Procedures
  • Questions & Answers

4:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Documentation, Coding Tips, and Considerations for Vascular Surgery
Kevin Greason, MD
  • Endovascular Abdominal Aortic Repair (EVAR)
  • Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair (TEVAR)
  • Questions & Answers

5:30 p.m.  ADJOURNMENT

Saturday, January 26

6:30 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.  BREAKFAST

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Documentation, Coding Tips, and Considerations for Congenital Cardiac Surgery
Kirk R. Kanter, MD

Agenda subject to change 10/25/18
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.  BREAK

9:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  Global, Modifiers, Bundling, and Coverage Considerations
Julie Painter, MBA, CCVTC, CPMA, and Francis C. Nichols, MD
- Definition, Documentation, and Reporting Services in the Global Surgical Period
- Cardiothoracic Surgery Modifiers: When and How to Report Them
- Other Coverage Considerations: Bundling and Payment Policies
- Questions & Answers

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  LUNCH

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  Evaluation and Management (E/M) Coding for Cardiothoracic Surgery
Aaron M. Cheng, MD, and Julie Painter, MBA, CCVTC, CPMA
- Office and Outpatient Visits
- Inpatient Visits
- Critical Care
- Questions & Answers

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  MIPS and Alternative Payment Model (APM) Update
Courtney Yohe Savage, MPP, Julie Painter, MBA, CCVTC, CPMA, and Stephen J. Lahey, MD
- What to Expect for MIPS in 2019
- APMs: Current Criteria/Models and Potential Cardiothoracic Models

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.  BREAK

3:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  The Role of the Physician in Documentation and Reimbursement
Francis C. Nichols, MD, Scott C. Silvestry, MD, and Sanjay A. Samy, MD
- Overview of Physician and Hospital Reimbursement
- Importance of Physician Documentation: Your Reimbursement Depends on It
- Tips to Reach Maximum Allowable Billing
- Questions & Answers

5:30 p.m.  ADJOURNMENT