Marguerite Okafor

Medical Coder

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SUMMARY

Medical coder with 4 years of experience in outpatient and emergency coding, working in ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS across Epic and Cerner. Maintains a 97% first-pass accuracy rate and recovered $184,000 in denied claims through modifier corrections. Known for clear physician queries and fast turnaround on charge review.

EXPERIENCE

Medical Coder — Prairie Crescent Health System

Omaha, NE · Feb 2023 – Present

- Code outpatient and emergency encounters in ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS for 45 providers, maintaining a 97% first-pass accuracy rate on internal audits.
- Reviewed 1,200 denied claims over 6 months and corrected modifier and bundling errors, recovering $184,000 in reimbursement.
- Queried physicians on 310 charts with missing specificity, cutting unspecified diagnosis codes from 18% to 6% of monthly volume.
- Trained 5 new coders on Epic's coding workqueue and E/M leveling, shortening their ramp-up from 8 weeks to 5.

Junior Medical Coder — Meridian Family Medicine Group

Omaha, NE · Aug 2021 – Jan 2023

- Coded 60 primary care and urgent care charts a day in ICD-10-CM and CPT for 9 providers across 2 clinic sites.
- Caught 240 missing or mismatched modifiers before claim submission during a 3-month charge-capture review, avoiding an estimated $37,000 in denials.
- Worked with billing to resolve 85 rejected claims a month, cutting the clinic's average days in A/R from 52 to 41.

SKILLS

Coding: ICD-10-CM, CPT, HCPCS Level II, E/M leveling, DRG and modifier assignment

Compliance: NCCI edits, LCD/NCD policies, HIPAA, chart audits, physician queries

Systems: Epic, Cerner, 3M Encoder, Optum EncoderPro, clearinghouse claim scrubbers

Specialties: Outpatient, emergency medicine, primary care, denial management

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Professional Coder (CPC), AAPC, 2021

EDUCATION

A.A.S. Health Information Technology, Metropolitan Community College, 2021

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