Practice Questions for the Certified Compliance Professional – Physician (CCP-P) Certification Examination

1. Based on the OIG’s Compliance Program for Individual and Small Group Physician Practices, which of the following is not one of the seven elements of an effective compliance program?
   a. Conducting internal monitoring and auditing
   b. Implementing compliance and practice standards
   c. Designating a compliance officer or contact
   d. Conducting appropriate training and education
   e. Monitoring compliance with the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA)

2. According to the OIG’s Compliance Guidance for Individual and Small Physician practices, the practice of coding/charging one or two middle levels of service codes exclusively, under the philosophy that some will be higher, some lower, and the charges will average out over an extended period (in reality, this overcharges some patients while undercharging others) is colloquially known as:
   a. Overcoding
   b. Clustering
   c. Undercoding
   d. Upcoding

3. A patient reports to the office and demands a service that the physician considers to be not medically necessary. As a participating provider, you have given the patient a full explanation as to why the service may not be covered by Medicare. You give the patient a fully completed Advance Beneficiary Notice which the patient refuses to sign but the patient insists on receiving the service. How should the physician handle this situation?
   a. Render the service to the patient.
   b. Refuse to render the service to the patient
c. Refer the patient to another physician who does not participate with Medicare

d. Obtain the signature of a witness on the ABN and bill the service to Medicare

4. A doctor may not bill Medicare for services provided to his or her: (Select all that apply.)

   a. Son-in-law

   b. Spouse

   c. Grandmother

   d. Cousin

5. May a physician and a specialist under any circumstances, enter into an agreement to refer patients back and forth to each other for services reimbursed by Medicare?

   a. Yes

   b. No

**End of Practice Questions**
Answers to Practice Questions

1. e
2. b
3. d
4. a,b,c
5. a.