



Specialty Coding Professional – Radiology (SCP-RA)

As a service to candidates, this outline is designed to provide representative examples of the coding and billing issues covered on the SCP-RA examination. While it should serve as a guide for test preparation, it should not be considered inclusive of every issue addressed within the examination.

Examination Outline

Radiology Documentation/Compliance Issues

- Ordering of diagnostic studies
- Medical necessity requirements for diagnostic studies
- Documentation guidelines for documenting diagnostic radiological studies
- Protocols
- National Correct Coding Initiative
 - Unbundling
 - Inclusive Service Determiners
 - Modifier Indicators

Diagnostic Imaging

- Plain films
- CT/CTA
- MRI/MRA
- Mammography
- DEXA
- Modifiers
- HCPCS Codes

Ultrasounds

- Complete vs. Limited studies
- Abdomen & Retroperitoneal
- OB Pelvic U/S
- Vascular U/S
- Transvaginal U/S

PET and Nuclear Medicine

- PET Scans
- Lymphatic System
- Pulmonary System
- Cardiovascular System
- GI System
- Urinary System

HCPCS Codes and Category III CPT Codes

- Radiopharmaceuticals

- Screening studies

Diagnosis Coding

- Nonunion fractures
- Compound fractures
- Lipomas
- Adenocarcinoma of specified site
- Occluded AV grafts