

Sunday, October 29th 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

Learn to Audit Yourself! (3 hours)

Sometimes a fear of what third parties might do can get in the way of taking care of patients. In this action-packed, hands-on workshop presentation, national experts, Drs. Anderson and Gwilliam, will team up to show you how you can give auditors and reviewers what they are looking for so that they leave you alone and you can focus on your practice. You'll learn what makes you an audit target and how to communicate medical necessities so clearly that no one will doubt it. Dr. Chris Anderson, a second-generation chiropractor and a Certified Insurance Consultant, along with Dr. Evan Gwilliam, Clinical Director for PayDC Chiropractic Software and a Certified Professional Coder, brings a wealth of experience and expertise to this session. Their combined knowledge spans healthcare compliance, chiropractic practice, coding, billing, and business management, ensuring participants receive a well-rounded and practical education, with making a boring subject come to life, with their high energy and expertise.

Learning Objectives

- Teach participants how to create clear and compelling goals that communicate medical necessity effectively.
- Educate participants on the factors that can make healthcare professionals susceptible to audits.
- Familiarize participants with key sources of coding and documentation rules followed by payers to ensure compliance.

Introduction

- Welcome participants and introduce the workshop's purpose.
- Explain the importance of effectively communicating medical necessity to avoid audits and ensure focus on patient care.

Hour 1: Creating Effective Goals that Communicate Medical Necessity

- Understanding the Role of Goals in Medical Necessity
 - Define medical necessity and its importance in healthcare documentation.
 - Explain how well-defined goals can demonstrate medical necessity.
- Elements of Effective Goals
 - Discuss key components of a well-structured goal.
 - Share examples of clear and vague goals for comparison.
- Creating Clear and Specific Goals
 - Explain how precise goal communication can prevent misunderstandings and potential audit triggers.
 - Highlight real-life examples where inadequate goal communication led to auditing.

Hour 2: Identifying Factors that Make You an Audit Target

- Understanding Audit Triggers and Vulnerabilities
 - Define audit triggers and why they occur.
 - Discuss common vulnerabilities that attract audit attention.
- Identifying Audit Triggers

- Identify and assist with analyzing practices to recognize potential audit triggers.
- Discuss case studies illustrating different audit triggers.
- Mitigating Audit Risks
 - Provide strategies to minimize vulnerabilities and audit risks.
 - Encourage participants to implement best practices to protect their practice.
- Q&A and Group Discussion
 - Allow participants to ask questions and share insights from their experiences.

Hour 3: Navigating Coding and Documentation Rules

- Importance of Payer Guidelines
 - Explain how adherence to payer guidelines enhances documentation accuracy and decreases audit risks.
- Overview of Key Payer Sources
 - Introduce participants to essential sources, including AMA guidelines and payer-specific documentation requirements.
 - Provide an overview of how these sources impact coding and documentation.
- Interpreting and Applying Payer Guidelines
 - Demonstrate how to extract relevant information from payer guidelines.
 - Discuss real-world scenarios where following guidelines can prevent audits.
- Utilizing Technology and Resources
 - Introduce tools and resources available for accurate coding and documentation.
 - Highlight how technology can streamline compliance efforts.
- Conclusion and Takeaways
 - Recap the key points covered in each hour.
 - Emphasize the importance of effective audit risk mitigation, and adherence to payer guidelines.
 - Encourage participants to apply the knowledge gained in their practices.

Mastering Medicare ABN (Advanced Beneficiary Notification) for Chiropractic Teams (Interactive)

In the ever-evolving landscape of healthcare delivery, understanding the intricacies of Medicare's Advanced Beneficiary Notification (ABN) is essential for chiropractors and their teams. This 1-hour dynamic and comprehensive class, co-taught by esteemed experts and friends Dr. Chris Anderson and Dr. Evan Gwilliam, will equip chiropractors, team members, and billers with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the proper use of Medicare ABNs effectively.

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Learning Objectives

- Attendees Will Review proper usage and procedure for the ABN Form

Hour 1

- Hands on Workshop working thru the Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN)
- Effective Communication
- Practical Implementation