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The constantly changing regulatory and legislative environment, coupled with millions of Baby Boomers reaching retirement age, means that retirement planning needs have increased dramatically and retirement planning has become even more complex. And Social Security and Medicare are important components of a retirement plan. The greatly enhanced 2016 Social Security & Medicare Facts will help you easily facilitate many important retirement planning decisions for your clients and guide them to the appropriate retirement strategies. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), two departments within the U.S. Federal Government's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) provide the following guidelines for coding and reporting using the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM). These guidelines should be used as a companion document to the official version of the ICD-10- CM as published on the NCHS website. The ICD-10-CM is a morbidity classification published by the United States for classifying diagnoses and reason for visits in all health care settings. The ICD-10-CM is based on the ICD-10, the statistical classification of disease published by the World Health Organization (WHO). These guidelines have been approved by the four organizations that make up the Cooperating Parties for the ICD-10-CM: the American Hospital Association (AHA), the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA), CMS, and NCHS. Baker's Health Care Finance: Basic Tools for Nonfinancial Managers, Sixth Edition is the most practical and applied text for those who need a basic and better understanding of health care financial management. Using actual examples from hospitals, long-term care facilities, and home health agencies, this user-friendly text includes practical information for the nonfinancial manager charged with budgeting The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have been moving from volume-based, fee-for-service payment to value-based payment (VBP), which aims to improve health care quality, health outcomes, and patient care experiences, while also controlling costs. Since the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, CMS has implemented a variety of VBP strategies, including incentive programs and risk-based alternative payment models. Early evidence from these programs raised concerns about potential unintended consequences for health equity. Specifically, emerging evidence suggests that providers disproportionately serving patients with social risk factors for poor health outcomes (e.g., individuals with low socioeconomic position, racial and ethnic minorities, gender and sexual minorities, socially isolated persons, and individuals residing in disadvantaged neighborhoods) may be more likely to fare poorly on quality rankings and to receive financial penalties, and less likely to receive financial rewards. The drivers of these disparities are poorly understood, and differences in interpretation have led to divergent concerns about the potential effect of VBP on health equity. Some suggest that underlying differences in patient characteristics that are out of the control of providers lead to differences in health outcomes. At the same time, others are concerned that differences in outcomes between providers serving socially at-risk populations and providers serving the general population reflect disparities in the provision of health care. Systems Practices for the Care of Socially At-Risk Populations seeks to better distinguish the drivers of variations in performance among providers disproportionately serving socially at-risk populations and identifies methods to account for social risk factors in Medicare payment programs. This report identifies best practices of high-performing hospitals, health plans, and other providers that serve disproportionately higher shares of socioeconomically disadvantaged populations and compares those best practices of low-performing providers serving similar patient populations. It is the second in a series of five brief reports that aim to inform the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) analyses that account for social risk factors in Medicare payment programs mandated through the Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation (IMPACT) Act. Learn the basics of physican-based medical billing with MEDICAL BILLING 101, 2E. Clear and practical guidelines introduce you to the job responsibilities and basic processes in the medical billing world. Case studies and software tools like SimClaimTM CMS-1500 software offer you practice on actual forms to build confidence and understanding of the reimbursement process. This easy-to-use guide starts you off on the right path as you begin your journey to becoming a medical billing professional. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version. The Social Security Administration (SSA) administers two programs that provide benefits based on disability: the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) program and the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. This report analyzes health care utilizations as they relate to impairment severity and SSA's definition of disability. Health Care Utilization as a Proxy in Disability Determination identifies types of utilizations that might be good proxies for "listing-level" severity; that is, what represents an impairment, or combination of impairments, that are severe enough to prevent a person from doing any gainful activity, regardless of age, education, or work experience. Medicare For Dummies, 2nd Edition (9781119293392) was previously published as Medicare For Dummies, 2nd Edition (9781119079422). While this version features a new Dummies cover and design, the content is the same as the prior release and should not be considered a new or updated product. Make your way through the Medicare maze with help from For Dummies America's baby boomers are now turning 65 at the rate of about 10,000 a day. Yet very few have any idea about how Medicare works, when they should sign up, or how the program fits in with other health insurance they may have. Medicare For Dummies, 2nd Edition provides a detailed road map for navigating Medicare's often-baffling complexities and helps consumers avoid pitfalls that could otherwise cost them dearly. In plain language, the new edition explains: How to qualify for Medicare, according to your personal circumstances, including new information on the rights of people in same-sex marriages When to sign up at the time that’s right for you, to avoid lifelong late penalties How to weigh Medicare’s many options so you can be confident of making the decision that's best for you What Medicare covers and what you pay, with up-to-date details of the costs of premiums, deductibles, and copays—and how you may be able to reduce those expenses By conveying not only the basics but also how to troubleshoot problems and where to find assistance, Medicare For Dummies, 2nd Edition helps you to get the most out of Medicare. To provide effective service in helping clients understand how they are going to be affected by health care reform and how to obtain coverage, pursue an appeal, or plan for long-term care or retirement, you need the most current information from a source you can trust - Medicare Handbook. This is the indispensable resource for clarifying Medicare's confusing rules and regulations. Prepared by an outstanding team of experts from the Center for Medicare Advocacy, Inc., it addresses issues you need to master to provide effective planning advice or advocacy services, including: Medicare eligibility rules and enrollment requirements; Medicare covered services, deductibles, and co-payments; coinsurance, premiums, penalties; coverage criteria for each of the programs; problem areas of concern for the advocate; grievance and appeals procedures. The 2016 Edition of Medicare Handbook offers expert guidance on: Health Care Reform Prescription Drug Coverage Enrollment and Eligibility Medigap Coverage Medicare Secondary Payer Issues Grievance and Appeals Home Health Care Managed Care Plans Hospice Care And more! In addition, Medicare Handbook will help resolve the kinds of questions that arise on a regular basis, such as: How do I appeal a denial of services? What steps do I need to take in order to receive Medicare covered home health care? What are the elements of Medicare's appeal process for the denial of coverage of an item, service, or procedure? Does my state have to help me enroll in Medicare so that I can get assistance through a Medicare Savings Program? When should I sign up for a Medigap plan? If I am on Medicare, do I have to buy health insurance in the insurance marketplace created by the Affordable Care Act? Is it true that I have to show medical improvement in order to get nursing and therapy services for my chronic condition? And more! The 2016 Medicare Handbook is the indispensable resource that provides: Extensive discussion and examples of how Medicare rules apply in the real world Case citations, checklists, worksheets, and other practice tools to help in obtaining coverage for clients, while minimizing research and drafting time Practice pointers and cautionary notes regarding coverage and eligibility questions where advocacy problems arise, and those areas in which coverage has been reduced or denied And more! A coauthor of the New York Times bestselling guide to Social Security Get What’s Yours authors an essential companion to explain Medicare, the nation’s other major benefit for older Americans. Learn how to maximize your health coverage and save money. Social Security provides the bulk of most retirees’ income and Medicare guarantees them affordable health insurance. But few people know what Medicare covers and what it doesn’t, what it costs, and when to sign up. Nor do they understand which parts of Medicare are provided by the government and how these work with private insurance plans—Medicare Advantage, drug insurance, and Medicare supplement insurance. Do you understand Medicare’s parts A, B, C, D? Which Part D drug plan is right and how do you decide? Which is better, Medigap or Medicare Advantage? What do you do if Medicare denies payment for a procedure that your doctor says you need? How do you navigate the appeals process for denied claims? If you’re still working or have a retiree health plan, how do those benefits work with Medicare? Do you know about the annual enrollment period for Medicare, or about lifetime penalties for late enrollment, or any number of other key Medicare rules? Health costs are the biggest unknown expense for older Americans, who are turning sixty-five at the rate of 10,000 a day. Understanding and navigating Medicare is the best way to save health care dollars and use them wisely. In Get What’s Yours for Medicare, retirement expert Philip Moeller explains how to understand all these important choices and make the right decisions for your health and wealth now—and for the future. Stepped-up efforts to ferret out health care fraud have put every provider on the alert. The HHS, DOJ, state Medicaid Fraud Control Units, even the FBI is on the case -- and providers are in the hot seat! in this timely volume, you'll learn about the types of provider activities that fall under federal fraud and abuse prohibitions as defined in the Medicaid statute and Stark legislation. And you'll discover what goes into an effective corporate compliance program. With a growing number of restrictions, it's critical to know how you can and cannot conduct business and structure your relationships -- and what the consequences will be if you don't comply. For quick, accurate, and efficient coding, pick the market-leading HCPCS reference! From coding expert Carol J. Buck, 2016 HCPCS Level II, Standard Edition provides an easy-to-use guide to the latest Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System codes. It helps you locate specific codes, comply with coding regulations, optimize reimbursement, report patient data, code Medicare cases, and more. With this standard edition, you can focus on the basics of HCPCS coding — so you save money! At-a-glance code listings and distinctive symbols identify all new, revised, and deleted codes for 2016. Drug code annotations identify brand-name drugs as well as drugs that appear on the National Drug Class (NDC) directory and other Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved drugs. Information on coverage provides alerts when codes have special instructions, are not valid or covered by Medicare, or may be paid at the carrier’s discretion. Jurisdiction symbols show the appropriate contractor to be billed for suppliers submitting claims to Medicare contractors, Part B carriers, and Medicare administrative contractors submitting for DMEPOS services provided. Color-coded Table of Drugs makes it easier to find specific drug information. Codingupdates.com website includes quarterly updates to HCPCS codes and content, and the opportunity to sign up for e-mail notifications of the newest updates. UPDATED 2016 official code set ensures compliance with current HCPCS standards, for fast and accurate coding. Helps those nearing retirement make the best decisions about their Social Security benefits by detailing techniques and options like “file and suspend” and “start stop start” to maximize their benefit income for a variety of different life situations. This paper examines the amount of savings Medicare beneficiaries are projected to need to cover program deductibles, premiums and other health expenses in retirement. For the purposes of this study, health expenses include premiums for Medicare Parts B and D, premiums for Medigap Plan F, and out-of-pocket spending for outpatient prescription drugs. Data come from a variety of sources and are used in a Monte Carlo simulation model that simulates 100,000 observations, allowing for the uncertainty related to individual mortality and rates of return on assets in retirement. In 2016, a 65-year-old man would need $72,000 in savings and a 65-year-old woman would need $93,000 if each had a goal of having a 50 percent chance of having enough savings to cover health care expenses in retirement. If they wanted a 90 percent chance of having enough savings, the man would need $127,000 and the woman would need $143,000. A couple with median prescription drug expenses would need $165,000 if they had a goal of having a 50 percent chance of having enough savings to cover health care expenses in retirement. If they wanted a 90 percent chance of having enough savings, they would need $265,000. For a couple with drug expenses at the 90th percentile throughout retirement who wanted a 90 percent chance of having enough money saved for health care expenses in retirement by age 65, targeted savings would be $349,000 in 2016. From 2015 to 2016, projected savings targets increased between 0 percent and 6 percent. In contrast, savings targets declined between 2011 and 2014, but then they increased from 2014 to 2015 as well. Despite the increase in savings targets since 2014, the 2016 savings targets continue to be lower than they were in 2012 almost across the board. It is important to note that many individuals are likely to need more than the amounts cited in this report. This analysis does not factor in the savings needed to cover long-term care expenses and other expenses not covered by Medicare, nor does it take into account the fact that many individuals retire prior to becoming eligible for Medicare. However, some workers will need to save less than what is reported if they choose to work past age 65, thereby postponing enrollment in Medicare Parts B and D if they receive health benefits as active workers. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) was designed to increase health insurance quality and affordability, lower the uninsured rate by expanding insurance coverage, and reduce the costs of healthcare overall. Along with sweeping change came sweeping criticisms and issues. This book explores the pros and cons of the Affordable Care Act, and explains who benefits from the ACA. Readers will learn how the economy is affected by the ACA, and the impact of the ACA rollout. This booklet contains information on choosing a Medigap policy to supplement the original Medicare plan. This is a low-cost edition of a government document available online.Learn more at www.MedicareBooks.Online For quick, accurate, and efficient coding, pick this best-selling HCPCS professional reference! From coding expert Carol J. Buck, 2016 HCPCS Level II, Professional Edition provides a spiral-bound, easy-to-use guide to the latest Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System codes. It helps you locate specific codes, comply with coding regulations, optimize reimbursement, report patient data, code Medicare cases, master ICD-10 coding, and more. This professional edition features a full-color design, Netter's Anatomy illustrations, dental codes, and ASC (Ambulatory Surgical Center) payment and status indicators. At-a-glance code listings and distinctive symbols identify all new, revised, and deleted codes for 2016. UNIQUE! 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Should you choose a Medicare Advantage plan over Original Medicare? Do you need Medicare Supplement Insurance? What will Medicare really cost you? Written by Tanya Feke MD, a board-certified family physician, Medicare Essentials tells you everything you need to know about this government program. With experience caring for patients and working with administrators, she has learned tricks that can save you money and improve your healthcare experience.This book shares up-to-date Medicare information with 2016 cost analyses, a review of Medicare's latest preventive screening offerings, and a discussion of Medicare's controversial 2-Midnight Rule. Simple worksheets guide you through the Medicare maze to help you on your way. Let Dr. Feke be your advocate and explain the fine print. "The Affordable Care Act, aka Obamacare, makes health insurance available to the majority of Americans. In fact, failure to obtain coverage will result in penalties, but the process of obtaining insurance can be daunting. This brief handbook explains the law and its history and tells readers how to apply for coverage and any exemptions and subsidies if they are eligible. Editor Amadeo, an expert on the act, discusses the benefits of having insurance and how the plan is financed. Each chapter has references, and the book has a glossary and a bibliography to help readers. This is a useful resource, but libraries should also have information about local exchanges if their states have them." — Barbara Bibel, BOOKLIST, March 15, 2016 issue Obamacare can save you money, but only if you know how it really works. Americans have been barraged with fifteen times more negative than positive news about Obamacare. As a result, 40 percent of the people who dislike it actually qualified for insurance subsidies and don't realize it. Hardworking, middle-class families need facts, not opinions, to get all the benefits they deserve. Here you'll find: A guide to buying low-cost health insurance Step-by-step instructions to signing up for insurance Directions to apply for Obamacare exemptions Eligibility requirements for subsidies Definitions of insurance, health care, and Obama terms Real-life stories of people who have already been helped This handbook refutes the myths about the Affordable Care Act with research-based evidence. It reveals the seven reasons why health care costs so much, as well as how the ACA attacks those costs. You'll learn who really gets benefits from subsidies and who pays for them. Most importantly, this book uncovers how the ACA might save you and your family money in 2016 and beyond. Basics of the U.S. Health Care System, Second Edition provides students with a broad, fundamental introduction to the workings of the healthcare industry. Engaging and activities-oriented, the text offers an especially accessible overview of the major concepts of healthcare operations, the role of government, public and private financing, as well as ethical and legal issues. Each chapter features review exercises and Web resources that make studying this complex industry both enjoyable and easy. Students of various disciplines--including healthcare administration, business, nursing, public health, and others--will discover in Basics of the U.S. Health Care System, Second Edition a practical guide that prepares them for professional opportunities in this rapidly growing sector. The Second Edition has been updated substantially to reflect the passage and implementation of the health care reform act of 2010, as well as new information on information technology, Medicare, Medicaid, and much more. Basics of the U.S. Health Care System features: - A new chapter on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 - A complete overview of basic concepts of the U.S. healthcare system - Student activities including crossword puzzles and vocabulary reviews in each chapter - Helpful case studies - PowerPoint slides, TestBank, and Instructor's Manual for instructors - Online flashcards, crosswords, and an interactive glossary for students An effective provider and supplier enrollment process is a cornerstone of ensuring Medicare program integrity and limiting improper payments. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act contained provisions designed to strengthen CMS's enrollment screening process. In response, CMS implemented a revised

screening process on March 25, 2011, that assigned all providers and suppliers to one of three risk categories-limited, moderate, or high-and based screening on the level of potential risk of fraud, waste, and abuse they present. The process is used to screen prospective, and revalidate enrolled, providers and suppliers. In September 2011, CMS began its first large scale revalidation effort to verify all enrolled providers' and suppliers' information and determine whether they remain eligible to bill Medicare. As of March 2016, it had begun its second large scale revalidation effort. GAO was asked to examine the revised enrollment screening process. GAO examined 1) the results of the 2011 revised screening process, 2) CMS's implemented or planned modifications to the process, and 3) CMS's monitoring of the revised process. GAO examined enrollment data from March 25, 2011, through December 31, 2015, reviewed CMS policies and procedures, and interviewed CMS and Medicare contractor officials. For quick, accurate, and efficient coding, pick this best-selling HCPCS professional reference! From coding expert Carol J. Buck, 2016 HCPCS Level II, Professional Edition provides a spiral-bound, easy-to-use guide to the latest Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System codes. It helps you locate specific codes, comply with coding regulations, optimize reimbursement, report patient data, code Medicare cases, master ICD-10 coding, and more. This professional edition features a full-color design, Netter's Anatomy illustrations, dental codes, and ASC (Ambulatory Surgical Center) payment and status indicators. At-a-glance code listings and distinctive symbols identify all new, revised, and deleted codes for 2016. UNIQUE! 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UPDATED 2016 official code set ensures compliance with current HCPCS standards, for fast and accurate coding. The ability to see deeply affects how human beings perceive and interpret the world around them. For most people, eyesight is part of everyday communication, social activities, educational and professional pursuits, the care of others, and the maintenance of personal health, independence, and mobility. Functioning eyes and vision system can reduce an adult's risk of chronic health conditions, death, falls and injuries, social isolation, depression, and other psychological problems. In children, properly maintained eye and vision health contributes to a child's social development, academic achievement, and better health across the lifespan. The public generally recognizes its reliance on sight and fears its loss, but emphasis on eye and vision health, in general, has not been integrated into daily life to the same extent as other health promotion activities, such as teeth brushing; hand washing; physical and mental exercise; and various injury prevention behaviors. A larger population health approach is needed to engage a wide range of stakeholders in coordinated efforts that can sustain the scope of behavior change. The shaping of socioeconomic environments can eventually lead to new social norms that promote eye and vision health. Making Eye Health a Population Health Imperative: Vision for Tomorrow proposes a new population-centered framework to guide action and coordination among various, and sometimes competing, stakeholders in pursuit of improved eye and vision health and health equity in the United States. Building on the momentum of previous public health efforts, this report also introduces a model for action that highlights different levels of prevention activities across a range of stakeholders and provides specific examples of how population health strategies can be translated into cohesive areas for action at federal, state, and local levels. Medicare Program - Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2016, SNF Value-Based Purchasing Program (US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Regulation) (CMS) (2018 Edition) The Law Library presents the complete text of the Medicare Program - Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2016, SNF Value-Based Purchasing Program (US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Regulation) (CMS) (2018 Edition). Updated as of May 29, 2018 This final rule updates the payment rates used under the prospective payment system (PPS) for skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) for fiscal year (FY) 2016. In addition, it specifies a SNF all-cause all-condition hospital readmission measure, as well as adopts that measure for a new SNF Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program, and includes a discussion of SNF VBP Program policies we are considering for future rulemaking to promote higher quality and more efficient health care for Medicare beneficiaries. Additionally, this final rule will implement a new quality reporting program for SNFs as specified in the Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014 (IMPACT Act). It also amends the requirements that a long-term care (LTC) facility must meet to qualify to participate as a skilled nursing facility (SNF) in the Medicare program, or a nursing facility (NF) in the Medicaid program, by establishing requirements that implement the provision in the Affordable Care Act regarding the submission of staffing information based on payroll data. This book contains: - The complete text of the Medicare Program - Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2016, SNF Value-Based Purchasing Program (US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Regulation) (CMS) (2018 Edition) - A table of contents with the page number of each section This guide is designed to provide Veterans and their families with the information they need to understand VA's health care system - eligibility requirements, health benefits and services available to help Veterans and copayments that certain Veterans may be charged. Updated Topics and Benefits: Stay Connected with VA p. 2 Combat Veterans can Apply for Enrollment by Telephone p. 3 Seamless Care for Traveling Veterans p. 7 Enrolled, but Later Determined Ineligible p. 15 Free Transportation to VA Appointments p. 33 Audience: Military veterans and their families seeking to use the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs health care system and learn more about how it works, with contact information for a variety of VA health care services. Related products: Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors 2016 iis available here: https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/051-000-00258-0 Code of Federal Regulations, Title 38, Pensions, Bonuses, and Veterans' Relief, Pt. 0-17, Revised as of July 1, 2016 is available here: https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/869-084-00145-6 Code of Federal Regulations, Title 38, Pensions, Bonuses, and Veterans' Relief, Pt. 18-End, Revised as of July 1, 2016 is available here: https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/869-084-00146-4 Individuals with disabilities, chronic conditions, and functional impairments need a range of services and supports to keep living independently. However, there often is not a strong link between medical care provided in the home and the necessary social services and supports for independent living. Home health agencies and others are rising to the challenges of meeting the needs and demands of these populations to stay at home by exploring alternative models of care and payment approaches, the best use of their workforces, and technologies that can enhance independent living. All of these challenges and opportunities lead to the consideration of how home health care fits into the future health care system overall. On September 30 and October 1, 2014, the Institute of Medicine and the National Research Council convened a public workshop on the future of home health care. The workshop brought together a spectrum of public and private stakeholders and thought leaders to improve understanding of the current role of Medicare home health care in supporting aging in place and in helping high-risk, chronically ill, and disabled Americans receive health care in their communities. Through presentations and discussion, participants explored the evolving role of Medicare home health care in caring for Americans in the future, including how to integrate Medicare home health care into new models for the delivery of care and the future health care marketplace. The workshop also considered the key policy reforms and investments in workforces, technologies, and research needed to leverage the value of home health care to support older Americans, and research priorities that can help clarify the value of home health care. This summary captures important points raised by the individual speakers and workshop participants. Contains the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget Message of the President and information on the President's budget and management priorities, and budget overviews organized by agency. Medicare & You 2011 Summary of Medicare benefits, coverage options, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. This annual overview report of national trends in health statistics contains a Chartbook that assesses the nation's health by presenting trends and current information on selected measures of morbidity, mortality, health care utilization and access, health risk factors, prevention, health insurance, and personal health-care expenditures. Chapters devoted to population characteristics, prevention, health risk factors, health care resources, personal health care expenditures, health insurance, and trend tables may provide the health/medical statistician, data analyst, biostatistician with additional information to complete experimental studies or provide necessary research for pharmaceutical companies to gain data for modeling and sampling. 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