

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College  
Course Content Summary**

**Course Prefix and Number:** HIM 253

**Credits:** 4

**Course Title:** Health Records Coding (ICD-CM)

**Course Description:** (as it should appear in the catalog)

Examines the development of coding classification systems. Introduces ICD-9-CM and CD-10-CM coding classification systems, their format, and conventions. Stresses basic coding steps and guidelines according to body systems. Provides actual coding exercises in relation to each system covered. Prerequisites: NAS 150, HLT 143. Prerequisites or co-requisites: HIM 110 and NUR 136. Lecture 4 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose:**

To prepare the students in the use of the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM coding systems and how they relate to the health records coding function. The course is required for the Health Records Coding Career Studies Certificate.

**Course Objectives:** (Each item should complete the following sentence.)

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

1. Understand the history of nomenclature.
2. Use ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM conventions and formats.
3. Utilize basic coding guidelines.

**Major Topics to be Included:**

1. History of nomenclature
2. Introduction to ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM classification systems
3. Government reporting requirements-UCDS/UHDDS
4. Basic coding guidelines
5. Coding exercises

**Effective Date of Course Content Summary (Month, Date, Year):** January 1, 2012