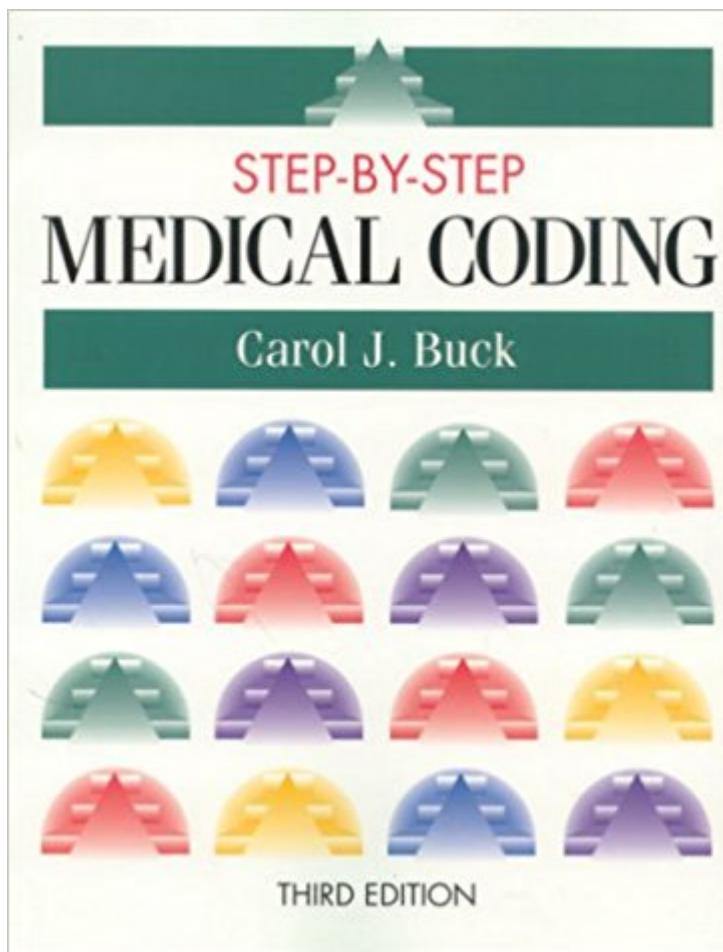


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# Step-By-Step Medical Coding



## **Synopsis**

This text shows readers how to identify the right codes for the diagnoses or services provided and how to use those codes to obtain reimbursement correctly. It covers Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), HCFA Common Procedure Coding System and Documentation Guidelines for Evaluation & Management Services, ICD-9-CM, Official Coding Guidelines, Ambulatory Patient Groups and Classifications (APGs & APCs), Diagnosis Related Groups (DRGs), Resource-Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS), Medicare, Peer Review Organizations (PROs), HMOs, ICD-10-CM, and ICD-10-PCS. The 4th Edition: A great reference for the bookstore! Encourage stores to stock this title in their reference sections and to feature it on their web sites for customers who would be interested in learning this subject on their own. This complete self-study course on coding combines content, practice, and self-assessment into one online learning tool that students can follow at their own pace. The online program assumes the role of instructor, guiding individuals through the material and directing them when to read relevant sections from the text, checking their comprehension along the way, and providing feedback and encouragement.

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I was very disappointed when I found out that because I am not in school, I would not have access to the quiz/test answers. Also, I would not have access to the chapter answers either. I was preparing my self to sit and pass the CPC exam but I feel hindered. I feel that I should have been told before purchasing the book that I would have limited access to the course materials.

They only shipped out the workbook to me, I have homework I can't do now, order these separately, or look somewhere else, honestly I don't understand how they were able to forget the text! I know this review has nothing to do with the books themselves! But I needed to vent somewhere because I can't do my assigned work!!!

I really would suggest getting this book if you are preparing for the CPC exam. It breaks down the steps that is easy to understand. I love the exercise's within each chapter which help test your knowledge of what you learn. I did, however, find some error's in the chapter answer section. The book gave an answer that is a deleted code in the 2013 CPT book. There was only a few errors so other than that I find the book very useful to prepare for the exam.

I bought this book to help me study for my cpc exam and it's telling me everything I already know. If you have been to school and have the knowledge of medical terminology and all of that I would not recommend this book. It has the answers to the practice exams at the end of each lesson but at the end there's a final exam and in order to retrieve the answers you have to go to their website and \$87.47 to get the answers to your final exam and those are the questions that are similar to the real cpc exam so it tempts you to want to pay the price because you want to see how you did. They think they are so slick they give you the answers to the questions that are simple such as medical terminology but when it actually comes to the final exam when u have to use your cpt and icd9 book to code the want you to pay such a rip off. Just pay the extra money and get the official book that is on the AAPC website it's worth the buy. Sometimes you pay for what you get and that's what being cheap got me is ripped off!!!!

Don't get me wrong I think it is a good book + a good teacher can be a good start. I got this book somewhere in the beginning of January and now when I am half through it I discovered that my book missing pages 545-608 and has two sets of pages 609-672. Fortunately my teacher printed the missing pages for me. So my advice is to check your book once you get it for the issue.

Works for my sister, i ordered it for her.

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Was definitely worth it. I purchased the book to help me further understand billing and coding. It is packed with helpful information as well as a clear view on how coding works. I also have the workbook which helps my studies. The book has other information on ICD 10 and I have access to the website to help further my education. If you are looking for a well paced, descriptive and complete understanding of coding within the healthcare system, this book is it.

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