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Health Information Technology & Medical Billing Resources

Online Resources: Books

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Online Resources: Full-Text Articles

EBSCOhost databases may be accessed in the library by using Google to search for ‘EBSCO’. Click on the first link.

EBSCOhost may also be accessed remotely at the following web address:

<http://search.ebscohost.com>

Please contact library staff for the ID and password to use (library@nc.edu).

Choose “EBSCOhost Web” and the following databases: “CINAHL Plus with Full Text”, “Health Source: Consumer Edition” and “Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition”. Type in your subjects or keywords and click the “full-text” box to search for articles. Also, choose “Consumer Health Complete” for images, reports, and articles.

The ProQuest online database contains full-text articles from many allied health journals. ProQuest may be accessed in the library or remotely, the web address is <http://search.proquest.com>. Please contact library staff for the ID and password to use (library@nc.edu).

Examples of subjects to use when searching for books or articles

Electronic medical records	Human anatomy
Health insurance reimbursement	Right of privacy
HIPAA	Pathology
Health care reform	Health information systems
Health care industry	Medicine—dictionary
Professional-patient relations	Digestion
Medical personnel and patient	Patient discharge
Diabetes	Gerontology
Ulcers	Cataracts
Medical errors	Alcoholism
Depression	Surgery
Medical offices	Coding
Certified coding specialists	Documentation
Organizational compliance	International Classification of Diseases
Billing and claims	Physiology

“Advanced Search” in catalogs and databases allows combinations of subject terms.

Selected Reference Books

REFERENCE 610.14/STEDMAN’S
Stedman’s CPT dictionary

REFERENCE 610.3/MOSBY’S
Mosby’s medical, nursing, and allied health dictionary

REFERENCE 610.3/STEDMAN’S
Stedman’s medical dictionary

REFERENCE 610.3/TABER’S
Taber’s encyclopedic medical dictionary

REFERENCE 611/GRAY’S
Gray’s anatomy

REFERENCE 615.1/PDR
Physicians’ desk reference

REFERENCE 611/PHOTOGRAPHIC
Photographic atlas of the body

REFERENCE 611.0022/NETTERS

Netter's atlas of human anatomy for CPT coding

REFERENCE 616/CPT

Current procedural terminology

REFERENCE 616/GRIFFITH

Complete guide to symptoms, illness & surgery

REFERENCE 616/MERCK

The Merck manual of medical information

REFERENCE 616.001/ICD

ICD-9-CM for hospitals

REFERENCE 616.003/HUMAN

Human diseases and conditions

REFERENCE 616.075/CURRENT

Current medical diagnosis & treatment

REFERENCE 616.075/PAGANA

Mosby's diagnostic and laboratory test reference

REFERENCE 616.89/DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders

Career/Professional Sites

<http://www.ahima.org>

American Health Information Management Association

<http://hicareers.com>

Sponsored by AHIMA: Career resources, news, and job board

<http://www.ilhima.org>

Illinois Health Information Management Association

<http://www.ambanet.net/AMBA.htm>

American Medical Billing Association

<http://www.hie.illinois.gov/ohit>

Illinois Office of Health Information Technology

<https://www.privacyrights.org>

Go to 'Medical Privacy' link for fact sheets and information on HIPAA and privacy rights

<http://www.cahiim.org>
Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

<http://www.cdc.gov>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
See 'A-Z Index': ICD materials

<http://www.ama-assn.org>
American Medical Association
Follow links: Education & Careers> Careers in Health Care> "80 Careers in Health Care"> Health Information and Communication

<http://www.bls.gov/oco>
U.S. Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics: Search the Occupational Outlook Handbook for 'Medical Records and Health Information Technicians'

<http://www.careeronestop.org>
U.S. Department of Labor: Use link 'Browse Occupations' for 'Medical Records'

Online Health Information

<http://mlanet.org/resources/userguide.html#1>
The Medical Library Association: "A user's guide to finding and evaluating information on the web"/ Recommended websites and resources

<http://mlanet.org/resources/medspeak>
Translations of medical terms and explanations of prescription shorthand. Available in English, Spanish, and low-literacy formats.

<http://medterms.com>
Medical dictionary

<http://bartleby.com/107/>
Online edition of Gray's Anatomy of the Human Body

<http://www.medicalstudent.com>
Authoritative medical information for students of medicine

<http://www.getbodysmart.com>
Learn visually from an "online textbook" of human anatomy and physiology

<http://drugdigest.org>
Drug Digest: Includes a drug interaction checker

<http://rxlist.com>
Prescription drug information

<http://www.merck.com/pubs>
Home and professional editions

<http://labtestsonline.org>
Explains clinical lab tests. Search by tests or conditions.

<http://ethnomed.org>
Medical and cultural information on immigrant and refugee groups

<http://www.fda.gov/consumer>
U.S. Food and Drug Administration: Consumer health information

<http://www.hospitalcompare.hhs.gov>
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Compare hospital health care for adults with certain conditions

<http://www.healthgrades.com>
Research doctors, hospitals, and nursing homes

<http://www.idph.state.il.us>
Illinois Department of Public Health: laws, statistics, health fact sheets

<http://www.illinoishospitals.org>
Illinois Hospital Association data: quality of care, patients' satisfaction, type and volume of services provided

<http://www.healthcarereportcard.illinois>
Illinois Hospital Report Card and Consumer Guide to Health Care
Data on charges, care, death rates, and patient safety records

<http://www.jointcommission.org>
The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization

<http://www.noah-health.org>
New York Online Access to Health—English and Spanish languages
View topics by body area/disease. Content is in both English and Spanish languages.

<http://medicare.gov>
Official U.S. Government website for users of Medicare health insurance

<http://www.hfs.illinois.gov>
Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

<http://health.illinois.gov>
State of Illinois Health and Wellness

<http://idfpr.com>
Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation: Physician profiles

<http://www.strokeassociation.org>

American Stroke Association: research stroke symptoms, patient care, drugs

<http://www.who.int>

World Health Organization

<http://www.healthfinder.gov>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Search topics, drugs, associations

<http://www.ncahf.org>

National Council Against Health Fraud: Focuses on misinformation and fraud

<http://medlineplus.gov> and <http://medlineplus.gov/spanish>

U.S. National Library of Medicine: Medical encyclopedias, dictionaries, topics, news

<http://www.mayoclinic.com>

Mayo Clinic: Research diseases, conditions, and symptoms

<http://nmlm.gov/gmr/>

Greater Midwest Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine

<http://www.intelihealth.com>

Consumer health information from Harvard Medical School

<http://familydoctor.org>

Health information for all ages. Meanings of symptoms. Insurance terms and Medicare Part D explained.

<http://www.plos.org>

Public Library of Science: Search for free medical and scientific literature

<http://www.apa.org>

American Psychological Association

<http://www.alz.org>

Alzheimer's Association

<http://www.oncolink.org>

Cancer-related research by University of Pennsylvania cancer specialists

<http://nccam.nih.gov/health/whatiscam>

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine/National Institutes of Health

<http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic>

U.S. Department of Agriculture: Food and Nutrition Information Center

<http://nihseniorhealth.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: Focuses on aging population; search by topic

<http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: Online articles, many full-text

<http://www.womenshealth.gov>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Service Department: Office of Women's Health

<http://www.cdc.gov>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

See PHIL (Public Health Image Library) for photos, illustrations, and multimedia

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Health Statistics

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

<http://clinicaltrials.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: Information about research in human volunteers

<http://nimh.nih.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: National Institute of Mental Health

<http://www.healcentral.org>

Health Education Assets Library: a component of the National Sciences Digital Library. Digital teaching sources, many are bilingual.

<http://www.medtropolis.com/vbody.asp>

Interactive presentations of human anatomy and physiology in English and Spanish

<http://www.ipl.org>

Internet Public Library/Librarians' Internet Index: Subject: Health and Medical Sciences

<http://www.uchospitals.edu/online-library/index.html>

University of Chicago Medical Center: Online Health Library