

2010 OTA Pre-Meeting Course

Masters Level Trauma Coding Course

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Attendees of this activity can earn up to 6 AMA PRA Category I Credits™.

Hilton Baltimore Hotel,
Holiday Ballroom 2 & 3 (Level 2)

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Course Description

Margaret Maley BSN, MS, consultant with KarenZupko & Associates, Inc., returns to OTA with a 2010 coding course tailor made for orthopaedic trauma surgeons. Your office manager and business office staff are also welcome to register. Don't miss the opportunity to attend a course focused on coding and reimbursement issues most important to the bottom line of orthopaedic trauma surgeons.

Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of the Evaluation and Management (E&M) Section, you will be able to:

- List 3 coding mistakes frequently made by orthopaedic trauma surgeons reporting E&M services.
- Confidently report services in the ER that result in a hospital admission.
- Properly document consultation services.
- Understand how Medicare requires you to report consultation services and how this is different from other payers.
- Determine how modifiers are used to report E&M services.
- Define the categories of E&M services most often used by orthopaedic trauma surgeons.

Upon successful completion of the Orthopaedic Trauma Procedural Coding Course, you will be able to:

- List services included in the "global surgical package."
- Discuss what is included in global fracture care.
- Correctly code bone grafting, external fixation, debridement, and fracture care.
- Use at least 6 surgical modifiers surgical modifiers correctly.
- Understand the difference between returning a patient to treat a surgical complication vs. a staged procedure.
- Correctly document and report procedures that are unrelated to surgeries done previously when you are in the "global period."
- Report the services of surgical assistants and PA's.
- Initiate a successful appeal when you are paid incorrectly.
- List 5 coding mistakes frequently made by orthopaedic trauma surgeons when reporting surgical services.
- You will not want to miss any of this information, so plan on attending the morning and afternoon sessions.

Course Program

6:30 AM	Registration
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Evaluation and Management Issues for Orthopaedic Trauma Surgeon
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Lunch Break
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Surgical Coding and Reimbursement for the Orthopaedic Trauma Surgeon

Margaret Maley brings over 25 years of experience in orthopaedics having held positions of increasing responsibility in both the clinical and business side of academic and private practices.

With a B.S.N. from The University of Illinois, Ms. Maley began her nursing career in Chicago at Rush-Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center. For five years she worked with Dr. Jorge Galante conducting clinical research, overseeing several FDA studies, and she earned her masters degree with a concentration in orthopaedic nursing from Rush University.



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For over 15 years, Ms. Maley has concentrated on the business aspects of orthopaedics. With nine years of management experience she has a unique insight into the nuts and bolts of orthopaedic practice management. Her background on the "front line" makes her acutely aware of the importance of correct coding and accurate documentation for maximizing reimbursement. She is recognized by her peers for being able to solve difficult orthopaedic coding and reimbursement problems using strong clinical and business skills.

Known for her ability to relate to orthopaedic surgeons using "their language," she is able to convince most administrators of the value of surgeon participation in the reimbursement process. This unique skill makes her an asset to staff and administrators alike.

Margaret has extensive experience speaking regularly to private and academic orthopaedic departments, state orthopaedic societies, and as a featured speaker for national organizations like AAOE, the Musculoskeletal Tumor Society, The American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons, the Western Orthopaedic Association, Gait and Clinical Movement Analysis Society, and Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America.