

CPB (Certified Professional Biller) Certification Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. When someone is described with "demi-" as a prefix, what does it imply?**
 - A. Fingers, toes**
 - B. Lack of, down**
 - C. Half**
 - D. Skin**

- 2. If a term ends with "-ia," what is its connotation?**
 - A. A. Condition**
 - B. B. Pertaining to**
 - C. C. Ilum (hip bone)**
 - D. D. Above, excessive**

- 3. When the prefix "dextr-" is used, what is being indicated?**
 - A. Fingers, toes**
 - B. Right**
 - C. Half**
 - D. Skin**

- 4. What does APC stand for in the context of healthcare payment classification?**
 - A. A. Ambulatory Surgical Center**
 - B. B. Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator**
 - C. C. Ambulatory Payment Classification**
 - D. D. American Medical Association**

- 5. Which term is represented by the abbreviation CDHP?**
 - A. Belief in the development of whole self, including a healthy balance of mental, social/emotional and physical well-being**
 - B. Cancer or Carcinoma**
 - C. Certified Coding Specialist**
 - D. Consumer Directed Health Plan**

6. What does the prefix "dys-" mean?

- A. Bad, painful**
- B. Blood condition**
- C. In, within**
- D. Vomiting**

7. What does the suffix "-dynia" point to in a medical context?

- A. Above, upon**
- B. Bad, painful**
- C. Pain**
- D. Vomiting**

8. Which prefix means 'against'?

- A. Joint**
- B. Two**
- C. Condition**
- D. Against**

9. Which entity must accept assignment on Medicare claims to be considered a State Licensed Medicare-certified supplier of surgical healthcare services?

- A. Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Rate**
- B. Ambulance Fee Schedule**
- C. Ambulatory Surgical Center**
- D. Allowed Charge**

10. What do the prefixes "gyn-, gyne-, gyneuc-" relate to?

- A. record**
- B. women, female**
- C. instrument for reading**
- D. blood**

Answers

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1. C
2. A
3. B
4. C
5. D
6. A
7. B
8. D
9. C
10. B

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Explanations

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1. When someone is described with "demi-" as a prefix, what does it imply?

- A. Fingers, toes**
- B. Lack of, down**
- C. Half**
- D. Skin**

When the prefix "demi-" is used, it signifies the concept of "half" or "partial." This prefix is derived from Latin and indicates a division or a fractional aspect of something. For example, in the word "demigod," it refers to a being that is half divine and half mortal. Understanding this prefix can enhance comprehension of numerous terms in various contexts, particularly in medical terminology where such distinctions are important. The other options highlight different prefixes or word origins and do not relate to "demi-" in this context; thus, they do not convey the meaning of "half." Recognizing prefixes is crucial in fields like medicine or billing, as they often provide insights into the nature or extent of a condition or treatment.

2. If a term ends with "-ia," what is its connotation?

- A. A. Condition**
- B. Pertaining to**
- C. Ilum (hip bone)**
- D. Above, excessive**

When a term ends with "-ia," it typically denotes a condition, particularly in medical terminology. This suffix is commonly used to describe a state, disorder, or condition affecting an organ or system in the body. For example, the term "insomnia" refers to a condition characterized by difficulty sleeping. The other options represent different meanings: "pertaining to" would usually correlate with the suffix "-al" or "-ic," while "ilum" is not a suffix but rather a term part referring specifically to the ilium, a part of the hip bone. The prefix that indicates "above, excessive" is often related to "hyper." Thus, the use of "-ia" is essential in clinical contexts for establishing diagnoses or describing health-related conditions.

3. When the prefix "dextr-" is used, what is being indicated?

- A. Fingers, toes**
- B. Right**
- C. Half**
- D. Skin**

The prefix "dextr-" is derived from the Latin word "dexter," which translates to "right." In medical terminology, this prefix indicates something related to the right side of the body. For instance, terms like "dextrorotation" refer to a rightward motion, and "dextrous" often describes skillful use of the right hand. Recognizing and understanding prefixes like "dextr-" is crucial in medical billing and coding, as it helps in accurately interpreting and documenting patient information related to anatomical locations and conditions.

4. What does APC stand for in the context of healthcare payment classification?

- A. A. Ambulatory Surgical Center**
- B. B. Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator**
- C. C. Ambulatory Payment Classification**
- D. D. American Medical Association**

APC stands for Ambulatory Payment Classification in the context of healthcare payment classification. This system is designed to classify outpatient services and procedures for reimbursement purposes. It aims to group services that are clinically similar and have similar costs, which allows healthcare providers to receive a single payment for a set of related services performed during an outpatient visit. This method helps streamline the payment process and encourages efficiency in delivering outpatient care. The other options refer to different concepts within the healthcare field: Ambulatory Surgical Center focuses on facilities where surgeries are performed on an outpatient basis, Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator pertains to Medicare beneficiary support, and the American Medical Association is a professional organization representing physicians. However, none of these accurately describes the classification system used for outpatient payment.

5. Which term is represented by the abbreviation CDHP?

- A. Belief in the development of whole self, including a healthy balance of mental, social/emotional and physical well-being**
- B. Cancer or Carcinoma**
- C. Certified Coding Specialist**
- D. Consumer Directed Health Plan**

The abbreviation CDHP stands for Consumer Directed Health Plan. This term refers to health insurance plans that allow consumers to have more control over their healthcare choices and spending. In these plans, individuals often have access to health savings accounts (HSAs) or health reimbursement arrangements (HRAs), which enable them to make decisions about their healthcare expenditures, thus promoting cost-conscious health care use. Consumer Directed Health Plans emphasize active participation from patients in managing their health care, which can lead to more informed decision-making regarding treatment options and provider selection. These plans aim to balance high deductibles with lower premiums, encouraging consumers to be more engaged in their healthcare financing and utilization.

6. What does the prefix "dys-" mean?

- A. Bad, painful**
- B. Blood condition**
- C. In, within**
- D. Vomiting**

The prefix "dys-" denotes a sense of difficulty, disorder, or pain. It is commonly used in medical terminology to describe conditions that are abnormal or dysfunctional. For instance, "dysfunction" refers to impaired or abnormal functioning, while "dyspnea" refers to difficult or labored breathing. This makes the identification of "bad" or "painful" as the meaning of "dys-" correct. The other options suggest meanings that do not align with the prefix "dys-." The notion of a "blood condition" pertains to terms like "hematology," the prefix "in" relates to positioning or inclusion, and "vomiting" is characterized by the term "emesis." However, none of these reflects the significance of "dys-," which specifically conveys a sense of impairment or difficulty.

7. What does the suffix "-dynia" point to in a medical context?

- A. Above, upon**
- B. Bad, painful**
- C. Pain**
- D. Vomiting**

The suffix "-dynia" typically refers to a condition or sensation of pain. This makes option C, which states "pain", the most accurate choice. The other options do not accurately correspond with the meaning of the suffix in a medical context. Option A, "above, upon", does not relate to pain in any way. Option D, "vomiting", is a completely unrelated symptom. While option B, "bad, painful", may seem like a plausible choice, it is important to remember that the suffix is specifically pointing to pain, not just discomfort or unpleasantness.

8. Which prefix means 'against'?

- A. Joint**
- B. Two**
- C. Condition**
- D. Against**

The prefix that means 'against' is derived from the term "anti-". When considering the concept of prefixes, terminology that denotes opposition or counteraction is indicated by this particular prefix. The use of "against" in this context highlights its role in forming words that represent resistance or opposition, such as "antibiotic," which refers to substances that work against infections. In contrast, the other choices do not convey the meaning of opposition. The term that signifies 'joint' typically relates to combining or connecting elements. A prefix indicating 'two' denotes duality rather than opposition. Lastly, a prefix that refers to 'condition' implies a state or situation and does not suggest any form of resistance or opposition. Understanding these distinctions is crucial in medical billing and coding, as precise vocabulary is essential for accurate documentation and communication.

9. Which entity must accept assignment on Medicare claims to be considered a State Licensed Medicare-certified supplier of surgical healthcare services?

- A. Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Rate**
- B. Ambulance Fee Schedule**
- C. Ambulatory Surgical Center**
- D. Allowed Charge**

To be recognized as a State Licensed Medicare-certified supplier of surgical healthcare services, the entity must be an Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC). ASCs are specialized facilities that provide surgical services to patients on an outpatient basis. Acceptance of assignment on Medicare claims is a key requirement for ASCs, as it signifies their agreement to accept the payment rates established by Medicare as full payment for services rendered. This requirement is crucial because it ensures that the facility adheres to the regulations surrounding Medicare reimbursement, promoting compliance and ensuring patients are not billed more than the allowed amounts. In contrast, the other options focus on different aspects of Medicare payments and services. The Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Rate outlines the reimbursement structure, while the Ambulance Fee Schedule pertains to ambulance services, and Allowed Charge relates to maximum reimbursement levels rather than the entity's certification and qualification as a surgical healthcare provider. Thus, recognizing the specific qualifications of ASCs in terms of Medicare assignment is vital for understanding their role in the healthcare system.

10. What do the prefixes "gyn-, gyne-, gynec-" relate to?

- A. record**
- B. women, female**
- C. instrument for reading**
- D. blood**

The prefixes "gyn-, gyne-, gynec-" are derived from Greek origins and specifically relate to women or female. This is evident in various medical terms such as "gynecology," which is the branch of medicine that focuses on women's health, particularly the reproductive system. Understanding these prefixes is crucial in medical billing and coding as they provide context for diagnoses and procedures related to female patients. Other options do not align with the meaning of these prefixes. For example, "record" pertains generally to documentation terminology, while "instrument for reading" refers to tools, such as a thermometer or sphygmomanometer, used for measurement or observation. The option concerning blood relates to hematological terms but does not connect to the concept of women or females. Hence, the emphasis on prefixes associated with gender is essential for accurate interpretation of medical terminology and billing processes relevant to female healthcare.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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