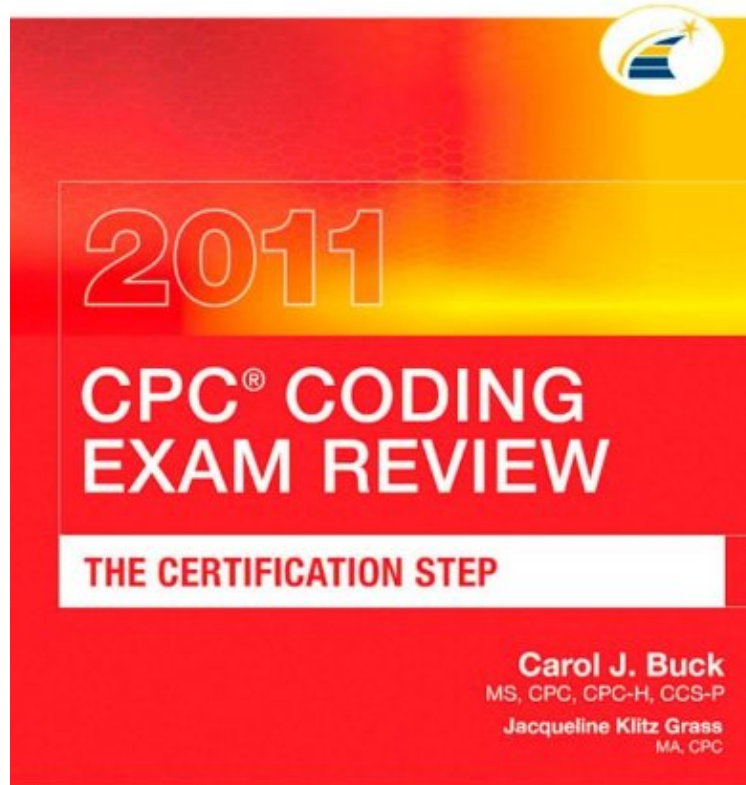


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body bundled with the path section right after. Then there is a shorter section on practice management, and then a longer section on guidelines for both ICD-9 and CPT coding. In the rear are appendices on vocabulary and acronyms and combining forms for words. There are links through the publisher's website for even more information, and this is topped off with a CD containing two practice tests and a paper-based test in the rear of the book.

A Note on the Test: The CPC test is possible to do. It is divided in sections so you can tackle what you're better at first and then go on to the harder parts. You have a lot of time, but it goes by quickly. When I did the practice tests at home, I was doing them with an hour or an hour and a half to spare. When I did the real one I had only about 20 minutes to spare. I had practiced on computerized tests but the real one is pencil and paper, I had to wake up real early and drive to Rockford to take mine so I was out of my game and out of my mind. Remember -- there are 150 questions and all you need is 70% to pass. That means you can miss up to 45 questions, so there's no worry if you miss one or don't know the answer. Skip it and go back to it if you have time. One final piece of advice is that there are often multiple ways to get to the right answer. The right answer is on the paper and getting there is just a process of elimination for the coding section. In the anatomy section, a lot of the answers can be found in the CPT or ICD-9 books. The only thing is that the practice test had the questions scattered throughout the test so you might have a CPT question followed by a HCPCS question followed by a practice management question. The CPC test I took was divided into sections: ten questions on the integumentary system, then ten on EM and so forth. And you have to remember that this is a review. If you need further prompting you should go back to your main texts or find out what you need to know on the interwebs.

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