

# Mastering Interventional Radiology & Cardiology Online Training Program FAQs

## **Which procedures are covered in the course?**

The course is designed to cover all procedures types for the CIRCC exam: catheterization coding, diagnostic angiography/venography, angioplasty, stent, atherectomy, embolization, thrombectomy, thrombolysis, infusion therapy, IVC filters, TIPS, venous organ blood sampling, transcatheter foreign body removal, dialysis circuit coding, central venous access devices, tunneled peritoneal catheters, endovascular repair, diagnostic cardiac catheterization, coronary angioplasty, coronary stent, coronary atherectomy, coronary thrombectomy, vertebroplasty, kyphoplasty, facet joint injections, nerve blocks, epidural injections, epidurography, discography, myelography, lumbar puncture, urinary, gastrointestinal, biliary, biopsy, drainage, aspiration, sclerotherapy, ablation, arthrography.

## **Does the course cover ICD-10-CM or ICD-10-PCS coding?**

No, only CPT® coding is covered in the course.

## **Are there any pre-requisites for enrolling in the course?**

There are no required pre-requisites, however; it is strongly recommended that enrollees have hands on coding experience in one or more areas as well as at least one core coding credential (CCS, CCS-P, CPC, COC, CIC, etc.) Prior to registering enrollees should have knowledge of anatomy and medical terminology.

## **When is the course open for enrollment?**

Until recently we only opened enrollment once or twice per year. To better serve potential customers, we decided to remove the specific enrollment deadlines, however, we are still limiting the number of enrollees we will allow in the course at any given time. The number of seats available will vary depending upon how many enrollees complete the course early and how much support current students require during the studies. We want to be sure that everyone who enrolls has the best experience possible and that we can provide them the time and attention needed to be successful in the course. It is best to plan ahead and register sooner rather than later to ensure that a seat is available for you.

## **When I have questions, how do I get them answered?**

Each module contains a section to post questions. Any questions about the course material should be posted in the Q & A forum and all responses will be provided there. If additional support is needed for better understanding the material, a group conference call can be requested.

## **Are enrollees required to attend any sessions with live instruction?**

No. The entire course is accessible online 24/7, however conference calls will be scheduled on an as needed basis for those enrollees requiring additional assistance. These live conference calls are always optional and participation is not required.

## **How long does it typically take for someone to complete the course?**

Time to complete the course will vary from enrollee to enrollee based on the level of knowledge and experience one has prior to the course as well as time available to devote to the course on a weekly basis. Some enrollees complete the course within 3-4 months, others take the entire 12 months. We recommend pacing yourself to complete the course within 6 months, allowing yourself the additional 6 months to review and study the material particularly if you plan to take the CIRCC exam.



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**What happens if I don't complete the course within the designated time frame of 12 months?**

If for some reason you are unable to complete the course within the 12 month time frame, you can extend your access for an additional 6 months for a fee of \$600 or for an additional year for \$1,000. If it has been longer than 24 months since your last enrollment or extension date, you will need to pay the full fee to re-enroll and complete your studies.

**What is the cost of the course? What is included?**

The enrollment fee is \$1,995. This includes access to 8 online modules and a copy of Cracking the IR Code (a \$299 value) and Q & A support while enrolled. **Please note that all course fees are non-refundable.**

**If I enroll in the course during 2021, but do not sit for my exam until 2022, how do I get information on CPT coding updates for the new year?**

All modules are updated as necessary each January. The modules with changes will be designated with "UPDATED 2022" so you will be able to easily identify those areas that have changed. Your course manual Cracking the IR Code is updated each December. An updated electronic copy of Cracking the IR Code will be made available to you. If you want an updated hard copy of the book, you will need to purchase the new book.

**How many CEs can I earn for the course?**

If you successfully complete all 8 modules, you will earn 24 CE credits. CE credits may be reported for AAPC, RCCB & AHIMA.

**Is the CIRCC exam included in the enrollment fee?**

No. You must register for the CIRCC exam through AAPC.

**What makes this course different from other IR courses?**

There are other companies that offer face-to-face week long training sessions for interventional radiology coding, however because of the complexity of IR coding, unless you have prior experience with IR coding, it is extremely difficult to absorb everything in 1 week. We have had several enrollees take the week long classes from other vendors and said they felt lost, but finally grasped IR coding when taking our course. Our online course is comparable in price to these week long courses without the additional travel expense and you have our support during the course.

You will see other companies offering online webinar packages covering similar material to our course at a lower price, but these webinars do not come with the ongoing Q & A support that is part of our course. Perhaps the most significant difference from these other webinars that are available is the hands on practice you get during our course by working through coding scenarios and actual operative reports with detailed explanations.

We have many testimonials from past attendees about their experience with our course and would be happy to share them.

**Do you offer a group discount on enrollment fees?**

Please contact us [info@radrx.com](mailto:info@radrx.com) for group pricing. Group discounts begin at 3 attendees per company.

**What additional materials do I need for the course?**

You will need a current year CPT® book. You have black and white vascular illustrations in your course manual for you to refer to, however if you want to purchase color coded vascular illustrations those will need to be purchased from the vendor of your choice if you do not already have them. Color coded drawings are not required, but you may prefer them.



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