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Certified Revenue
Cycle Professional



Information & Applications



For over forty years, AAHAM's elite certification examinations have set the standard of excellence in patient financial services and the revenue cycle. AAHAM certifications are an investment in your personal growth and your professional future.

The Professional Revenue Cycle Certification demonstrates a high level of achievement and distinguishes you as a leader and role model in the revenue cycle industry. The certification validates your proficiency and commitment to your profession and can play an integral role in your career strategy. In many instances certification may help you secure the promotion or the job you desire.

AAHAM certification gives you a powerful competitive advantage with current and prospective employers:

- Improve your earning potential
- Gain recognition and access to the positions and promotions you seek and deserve
- Build a network of peers in the influential group that shares your certification designation
- Continue to expand your skills and expertise through your commitment to continuing education

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Professional Certification Audience

This exam is intended for all supervisors and managers in the revenue cycle industry, to help equip them to effectively manage key aspects of the revenue cycle. This certification requires in-depth knowledge of functional areas including registration (front desk), billing, credit & collections and revenue cycle management.

Although Professional Certification is not a pre-requisite for Executive level certification, it is designed as a rung on the AAHAM certification ladder to Executive certification for those interested in pursuing the next level in their career path.

"AAHAM certification has been the basic requirement in identifying future leaders in my organization. Getting a professional certification from AAHAM, clearly indicates the competence an individual possesses and tells me that they would definitely help in leading a team to increase the cash flow. If someone can pass the specialist certification exam, it shows me that the person can resolve claims independently."

Maya Mohan CRCE-I, Director, Healthcare Services



About the AAHAM CRCP Exams

Exam Overview

The Professional Certification is a comprehensive online, proctored, four hour exam designed for supervisors and managers that covers revenue cycle subject matter including patient access, billing, credit/collections and revenue cycle management. The exam is comprised of true/false and multiple-choice questions. AAHAM offers two types of Professional certification; one focused on the revenue cycle within an institutional (hospital, health system) setting and the other focused on the revenue cycle in a professional (physician, clinic) setting.

Eligibility

CRCP-I/CRCP-P exams are available to National AAHAM members, in good standing. Student membership doesn't cover the eligibility requirements for professional or executive levels of certification. The applicant must have a minimum of two years of experience in a healthcare related field. A two year associate degree or a degree from an accredited university or college can be substituted for the two years of experience. When using an educational waiver for experience, a transcript copy must accompany the application.

CRCP-I/CRCP-P Sections

Sections included in the AAHAM CRCP exams include:

CRCP-I Sections

- 1. Patient Access
- 2. Billing
- 3. Credit/Collections
- 4. Revenue Cycle Management

CRCP-P Sections

- 1. Front Desk
- 2. Billing
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- 3. Credit/Collections
- 4. Revenue Cycle Management

Exam Format

The exam is comprised of four sections that contain multiple-choice and true/false questions. Examinees must initially sit for all four sections of the exam. Each section is graded separately, and each of the four sections must be passed with a score of 70% or greater in order to earn the certification designation. If one or two sections are failed, a retake of those sections is permitted. If three or more sections are failed, a retake of the entire exam is required.

2018 AAHAM Certification Calendar

December 15, 2017 Registration deadline for March 2018 Exam Period

March 12-23, 2018 March 2018 Exam Period

April 18, 2018 Registration deadline for July 2018 Exam Period

July 9-20, 2018 July 2018 Exam Period

August 15, 2018 Registration deadline for November 2018 Exam Period

November 5-16, 2018 November 2018 Exam Period

December 19, 2018 Registration deadline for March 2019 Exam Period



Dual Certification

Individuals who currently hold the CRCP-I or CRCP-P certification designation may take a three section exam to obtain dual Certification. All sections of the dual CRCP-I/CRCP-P exam must be successfully passed (70% correct) to earn a dual certification. If two of the three sections are successfully passed, the remaining section can be retaken. If less than two sections are passed, the entire exam must be retaken.

Exam Retakes

Exams for failed sections must be retaken within twelve months of the initial exam date.

Exam Refunds and Postponements

CRCP-I/CRCP-P application fees are non-refundable and are non-transferable. No postponements are allowed.

Grading

Grading is immediate upon completion of the exam. Results will be provided online.

Re-Certification

To retain the CRCP-I and/or CRCP-P certification designation, an individual must be an AAHAM member in good standing by January 31 of each year. Candidates must earn thirty hours of continuing education units (CEUs) within the two calendar years following certification. Fifteen of the CEUs must be obtained from attendance at AAHAM related educational programs. If membership and CEUs are not maintained, the certification designation will be revoked and can no longer be used.

Exam Frequency

The exams are held three times a year; March, July and November.



Preparing for the Exams

AAHAM certification examinations require comprehensive working knowledge of patient account management, National governmental regulations and policies that govern revenue cycle procedures. However, hands-on experience is not sufficient; candidates will need to enhance and refresh their knowledge through independent and group study programs. Participation in coaching sessions sponsored by your local chapter or the national organization are highly recommended (see www. aaham.org or contact your affiliated chapter).

A downloadable CRCP-I/CRCP-P study outline is included in the AAHAM CRCP exam fee.

AAHAM offers a CRCP-I/CRCP-P Exam Study Manual for purchase. The manual is written by AAHAM specifically for AAHAM exams, designed to assist you in studying for AAHAM CRCP certification. The manual has a wealth of helpful information for those studying for the exams. The manual's chapters correspond to each section of the exams, with material targeted and geared toward exam questions. It features knowledge checks (practice questions) along the way to help you gauge your progress.

"The University of Pennsylvania Health System (UPHS) began a voluntary CRCE-I/CRCE-P certification program to support staff level persons working as part of the revenue cycle. UPHS pays for any candidate to take the test up to three times. The program is very popular with staff, which recognizes the investment that UPHS is making in their personal development. The Patient Accounting Department now offers a reward for passing the exam, paid out annually each year on the individual's certification anniversary for as long as they maintain their certification."

- Thomas McCormick, CRCE-I, UPHS



AAHAM CRCP Frequently Asked Questions

- Q: What are the benefits of obtaining Professional level AAHAM certification?
- A: The Professional Revenue Cycle Certification validates the knowledge and skills possessed by a competent mid-level revenue cycle supervisor or manager. This certification is for the individual who desires confirmation and recognition of their expertise and/or for those who aspire to the executive level certification.
- Q: What is the Revenue Cycle Professional certification?
- A: The Professional Certification is an online proctored four hour exam covering focused revenue cycle subject matter that includes patient access, billing, credit/collections and revenue cycle management. The exam is comprised of multiple-choice and true/false questions. AAHAM offers two types of Professional certification; one focused on the revenue cycle within an institutional (hospital, health system) setting and the other focused on the revenue cycle in a professional (physician, clinic) setting.
- Q: Who is eligible?
- A: CRCP-I/CRCP-P exams are available to National AAHAM members, in good standing. Candidates must have a minimum of either two years of healthcare experience or a two-year college or university associate's degree.
- Q: What is the difference between the CRCP-I and the CRCP-P?
- A: The CRCP-I is designed for those who work on the hospital/health system side of the revenue cycle while the CRCP-P is for those who work on the physician or clinic side of the revenue cycle.
- Q: What does the exam cover and how much time do I have to take the exam?
- A: Each examination is four sections. The CRCP-I sections include Patient Access, Billing, Credit & Collections, and Revenue Cycle Management. The CRCP-P sections are Front Desk, Billing, Credit & Collections, and Revenue Cycle Management. An examinee is given four hours to complete a full exam, three hours to complete a dual exam, two hours for two section retakes, and one hour for one section retake.

- Q: When is the exam offered?
- A: The exam is offered three times a year typically between the 2nd and 4th weeks of March, July, and November (exact dates, times and locations will determined and communicated to you by your local chapter).
- Q: How much does it cost?
- A: The cost of taking a full exam is \$199. Section re-takes cost \$50 each. The dual certification exam is \$160 and is available to current CPCP-Is or CRCP-Ps.
- Q: What study materials are available?
- A: AAHAM includes a CRCP-I/CRCP-P Study Outline in your exam fee. AAHAM also offers a CRCP-I/CRCP-P Exam Study Manual for purchase. The manual is written by AAHAM specifically for AAHAM exams, designed to assist you in studying for the AAHAM CRCP certification. The manual has a wealth of helpful information for those studying for the exams. The manual's chapters correspond to each section of the exams, with material targeted and geared toward exam questions. It features knowledge checks (practice questions) along the way to help you gauge your progress.

Local AAHAM chapters offer training opportunities as well. For more information, visit the online Chapter Certification Chair directory and contact your local chapter to find out what options they have available to help you prepare for your upcoming exam.

- Q: How do I determine which chapter I am a part of?
- A: You can download the Chapter Certification Chair directory from our website. Your local chapter would be the one in your state or in closest geographical area.
- Q: Is there an application deadline?
- A: All applications must be received by the AAHAM National Office by December 15, 2017 for the March 2018 examination, April 18, 2018 for the July 2018 examination, August 15, 2018 for the November 2018 examination.



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- Q: Once I have sent my application to the National Office, how will I be notified of when and where to take my test?
- A: You will be notified by your Chapter Certification Chairperson of the date, time and place you will be sitting for your exam. You will also receive an emailed exam confirmation approximately two weeks after the application deadline.
- Q: By what method do you take the exam?
- A: The examination is proctored and given online. It is a four hour exam one hour per section.
- Q: What if I don't pass all of the sections?
- A: You will need to pass a minimum of two of the four exam sections in order to have the opportunity to retake the missed sections. If you do not pass at least two sections you will have to retake the entire exam. Retakes on the final section(s) must be taken and passed within twelve months of your original test date. Otherwise, you will have to retake the entire exam.
- Q: Can I cancel my test date?
- A: There are no postponements or refunds. Exam fees are non-transferable.
- Q: When will examinees be notified if they have passed the
- A: Examinees will be notified immediately upon completion of the exam if they have passed or failed the exam. To pass the exam you must score a minimum of 70% correct on all four sections of the examination. Certificates will be mailed to Chapter Certification Chairs by the end of the month following the exam for presentation to passing examinees.

- Q: Once you are certified, what is the process for recertification?
- A: To retain certification, the member must adhere to the following requirements:
 - 1: Must be a member in good standing by January 31st of each calendar year. (Dues paid and recorded by the National Office.)
 - 2: Must have attained and forwarded thirty hours of continuing education units (CEUs) to the National Office within the two calendar years following certification. Fifteen of these units must be from attendance at AAHAM related educational programs. Dual certified examinees must adhere to these same requirements. If terminated, members will be required to retake the entire examination to become re-certified.
- Q: Is there a Dual Professional Certification exam available?
- A: Yes. In order to take this exam you must currently be a CRCP-I or a CRCP-P. You cannot take both exams at the same time. Sections for the CRCP-I Dual examination are: Patient Access, Billing and Revenue Cycle Management. Sections for the CRCP-P Dual Examination are: Front Desk, Billing and Revenue Cycle Management. You must pass at least two of the three sections on exam day; otherwise a complete retake of the Dual exam is necessary. You must then pass the final section within twelve months of your original test date. Otherwise you will have to retake the entire dual exam.

2018 CERTIFICATION INFORMATION & APPLICATIONS





$\label{lem:continuous} \textbf{Certified Revenue Cycle Professional (CRCP) Exam Application \& Study Materials Order Form$

Please Return to: AAHAM Certification Department 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200 Fairfax, VA 22030

There are no postponements allowed.

Fax: 703.359.7562 Tax ID#23-1899873

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2018 National Membership Application

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NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP - The fee to become a National AAHAM member is \$209. If you join between July 1st and August 31st, the dues are \$160 for the rest of the current year. If you join between September 1st and December 31st, the fee is \$250 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year.		□ Colleague □ Publication □ Website □ LinkedIn If referred by AAHAM member, please give their name:			
FULL TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - Students taking at least 12 credit hours per semester can join for free. You must submit proof of your full time status with this application. Student members receive the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for professional or executive levels of certification, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board meetings. PART TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - The part time student membership fee is \$50. If you		Payment Method: Check/Money Order (Make Payable to AAHAM) Amex Visa MasterCard Card Number:			
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Retired Membership - The fee for retired members is \$50. To qualify for retired membership, an individual must be a National AAHAM member who has retired from healthcare. Retired members receive all benefits of membership with the exception of voting. To see if you qualify as a retired member, please contact that National Office.					
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Join the thousands of other revenue cycle professionals that utilize the AAHAM network of peers to get answers to their questions and to strengthen their careers.			NATIONAL DUES:LOCAL DUES:		
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Please allow two weeks for processing after your application is received at the national office. Dues are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution, but may be as a business expense. Approximately 4% of your annual dues are used for lobbying activities and are non-deductible.

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2018 Full Time Student Membership Application

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Acceptable forms of proof of student status are:

- Current class schedule
- · A signed statement for student faculty on college letterhead stating you are enrolled as a full time student. Please make sure to include email/phone number of professor signing the statement.

Local Chapter Membership:

AAHAM has over 30 local chapters throughout the US and India. Local chapters offer you more opportunities for education and networking, and offer both in person and webinar educational opportunities. In addition, local chapters offer a great opportunity to obtain an industry leading healthcare certification which provides exceptional value to students when seeking employment in the healthcare field.

Upon receiving your full time student membership application, your local chapter will contact you to notify you of how to become involved in your local professional chapter.

FULL TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - Students taking at least 12 credit hours per semester can join for free. You must submit proof of your full time status with this application. Student members receive the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for professional or executive levels of certification, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board meetings.

 $\textbf{PART TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP} \cdot \textbf{The part time student membership fee is $50. If you}$ ioin between July 1st and August 31st, the dues are \$35 for the rest of the calendar year. If you join between, September 1st and December 31st, dues are \$65 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year. To qualify for the part time student membership you must currently be taking between 6-11 credit hours per semester and submit proof with this application. Student members receive all the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for executive and professional certification, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board

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If you are applying at any of the other membership levels, please click here to join online or download the correct membership application.

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Florida Sunshine #03	Florida	\$40.00	
Carolina #04	North & South Carolina	\$30.00	
Washington Evergreen #05	Washington State, West of the Mountains	\$30.00	Certication:
Minnesota Gopher #06	Minnesota	\$40.00	☐ CHAM (NAHAM) ☐ CHFP (H
Iowa Hawkeye #07	lowa	\$0.00	☐ FHFMA (HFMA) ☐ CHCS (AC
Missouri Hawthorn #08	Missouri	\$45.00	☐ Other (please list)
Illinois #09	Illinois	\$30.00	Francisco Torres
Washington Inland Empire #10	Washington State, East of the Mountains	\$25.00	Employer Type: ☐ Billing
Pennsylvania Keystone #11	Central Pennsylvania	\$25.00	☐ Collection Agency
Maryland #13	Maryland	\$25.00	☐ Consulting
Utah Mountain West #14	Utah	\$30.00	☐ Law Firm
New Jersey #16	New Jersey	\$40.00	☐ Outsourcing
Ohio Western Reserve #18	Ohio	\$0.00	☐ Provider
Northeast PA #19	North East Pennsylvania	\$30.00	☐ Software/IT
Colorado Rocky Mountain #21	Colorado	\$20.00	☐ Vendor/Corporate Partner
Maine Pine Tree #22	Maine	\$25.00	☐ Other (please list)
North/South Dakota Rushmore #23	North & South Dakota	\$0.00	Position:
Western Region #26	Arizona and California	\$0.00	
Virginia #27	Virginia	\$30.00	☐ Consultant
Philadelphia #29	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	\$35.00	□ Director
New York Mid-York #31	New York	\$30.00	☐ Executive Director
Georgia #33	Georgia	\$30.00	☐ Vice President
Connecticut #34	Connecticut	\$35.00	☐ Manager
Pennsylvania Three Rivers #37	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	\$50.00	☐ Patient Access Representati
Texas Bluebonnet #40	Texas	\$50.00	☐ Partner, Principal, Owner☐ PFS Representative
Indiana #42	Indiana	\$25.00	☐ Supervisor/Coordinator
Wisconsin #44	Wisconsin	\$25.00	☐ Other (please list)
Chennai #49	Chennai, India	\$0.00	Strict (pieuse list)
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AAHAM MISSION STATEMENT

To Provide Education, Certification,
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Providing Excellence in the Business of Healthcare