



2018

**AAHAM
Certified Revenue
Integrity Professional**



**Information
& Applications**

For over 40 years, AAHAM certifications have become the standard and defined new levels of professionalism in healthcare administrative management and patient financial services. Certification is an investment in your personal growth and your professional future.

Earning an AAHAM certification demonstrates your:

Commitment – to your profession and your ongoing career development

Expertise – that you possess the knowledge to meet the industry’s highest standards and the capacity to pass a rigorous certification examination

Professionalism – in your pursuit of excellence to the quality of service in your career and in the healthcare industry.

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

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

Professional Certification

The AAHAM Certified Revenue Integrity Professional exam is intended for anyone in the revenue cycle industry to help ensure that facilities effectively manage their charge master, and bill and document appropriately for all services rendered to a patient. This certification requires an in-depth, working knowledge of various revenue cycle areas and proper skill sets needed to increase revenue and reimbursement for facilities. It also ensures that proper charging takes place to maintain compliance within the insurance payer programs.

The four hour online, proctored AAHAM CRIP exam contains 250 multiple choice and true/false questions. A score of 70% must be achieved on each section of the exam to pass. The exams are held four times a year; February, May, August and November.

The exam is comprised of four sections:

1. Overall Review of Charge Capture
2. Ancillary Services
3. Surgical Services and Procedures
4. Recurring Outpatients and Clinical Services

AAHAM CRIP Eligibility:

The AAHAM CRIP exam is only 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.

Benefits of AAHAM certification

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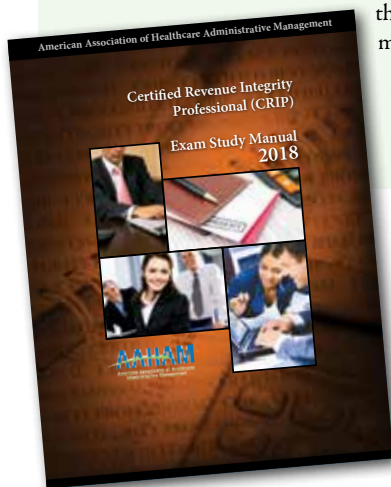
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AAHAM CRIP Study Manual

AAHAM CRIP certification can give you a powerful competitive advantage with employers. The CRIP certification demonstrate that you have mastered the common body of knowledge for your profession. AAHAM Study Manuals will help assist you in preparing for the AAHAM certification program. These manuals are the gateway to studying for and passing these exam. The manual includes review questions and study tips.

Log on to www.aaham.org for more information and to order your AAHAM CRIP Exam Study Manual today!



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

FAQs AAHAM Certified Revenue Integrity Professional

Q: What are the benefits of obtaining Professional level AAHAM certification?

A: The Revenue Integrity Professional Certification validates the knowledge and skills possessed by competent mid-level revenue integrity professional. 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 Integrity Professional certification?

A: The AAHAM Certified Revenue Integrity Professional is an online proctored four hour exam covering focused revenue integrity subject matter that includes Overall Review of Charge Capture, Ancillary Services, Surgical Services and Procedures, and Recurring Outpatient and Clinical Services. The exam is comprised of multiple-choice and true/false questions.

Q: Who is eligible?

A: AAHAM CRIP 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 does the exam cover and how much time do I have to take the exam?

A: Each examination is four sections. The sections include Overall Review of Charge Capture, Ancillary Services, Surgical Services and Procedures, Recurring Outpatient and Clinical Services. An examinee is given four hours to complete a full 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 be 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.

Q: What study materials are available?

A: AAHAM includes a Study Outline in your exam fee. AAHAM also offers a Exam Study Manual for purchase. The manual is written by AAHAM specifically for AAHAM exams, designed to assist you in studying for the AAHAM CRIP 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.

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 exam?

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. If terminated, members will be required to retake the entire examination to become re-certified.

“The University of Pennsylvania Health System (UPHS) began a voluntary CRCS-I/ CRCS-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



Certified Revenue Integrity Professional (CRIP) Exam Application & Study Materials Order Form

Please Return to:
AAHAM Certification Department
11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200
Fairfax, VA 22030
Fax: 703.359.7562
Tax ID#23-1899873

Name - *Print name as it should appear on certificate. (First, Middle Initial, Last)* _____ Title _____

Employer Name _____ Email Address * *required to process application* _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Local Chapter _____ AAHAM Member ID _____

Please complete this ONLY if you are applying to take the exam

Education Credits Being Claimed (if any) Year(s) _____
(A candidate claiming credit for education must attach a certified statement of graduation from a college or university, or a transcript of credits if not graduated.)

Would you like your employer to be notified if you are awarded a certification? Yes No

Employer Contact Name and Title _____

Employer Contact Email Address _____

Please list your last two employers:

Employer Name _____

Title and Dates of Employment _____

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QUESTIONS? Call the National Office at 703.281.4043 x 3 or email matthew@aaham.org.

This is an interactive PDF; make sure to save the completed file before you submit the application. Please keep a copy of this application for your records. You may also submit your application online as well.

[Online Exam Registration](#)

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Upcoming Exam Schedule, Registration Fees and Study Materials

Preferred exam month:

March 2018 July 2018 November 2018

Exam Fees:

CRIP Full Exam — \$199 (Hospital, Health System)

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Section Retake - \$50

If this is a retake of CRIP, which section are you taking?

SECTION: 1 2 3 4

Study Materials

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PAYMENT TOTAL: _____

I hereby declare that the statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. (Applicant's initials) _____

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2018 National Membership Application

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Fairfax, VA 22030
Fax: 703.359.7562
Email: info@aaHAM.org

Name _____ Title _____

Employer Name _____ Email Address _____

Address Work _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Fax _____ Local Chapter _____

Address Home _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Membership Categories and Rates

* Local chapter dues may vary

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.

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 join 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 meetings.

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.

If you are applying as a **Full Time Student Member**, please [click here to join online or download the correct membership application.](#)

Do something today that your future self will thank you for.

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.

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How did you hear about AAHAM?

Colleague Publication Website LinkedIn

If referred by AAHAM member, please give their name:

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Local Chapters

AAHAM has over 30 chapters throughout the US and India. Local chapters offer you more opportunities for education and networking. 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. Please see the listing of local chapters below to help you decide which chapter you should belong to along with your national membership..

Name of Chapter	Geographic Location	Chapter Dues
Nebraska Aksarben #01	Nebraska	\$0.00
Florida Sunshine #03	Florida	\$40.00
Carolina #04	North & South Carolina	\$30.00
Washington Evergreen #05	Washington State, West of the Mountains	\$30.00
Minnesota Gopher #06	Minnesota	\$40.00
Iowa Hawkeye #07	Iowa	\$0.00
Missouri Hawthorn #08	Missouri	\$45.00
Illinois #09	Illinois	\$30.00
Washington Inland Empire #10	Washington State, East of the Mountains	\$25.00
Pennsylvania Keystone #11	Central Pennsylvania	\$25.00
Maryland #13	Maryland	\$25.00
Utah Mountain West #14	Utah	\$30.00
New Jersey #16	New Jersey	\$40.00
Ohio Western Reserve #18	Ohio	\$0.00
Northeast PA #19	North East Pennsylvania	\$30.00
Colorado Rocky Mountain #21	Colorado	\$20.00
Maine Pine Tree #22	Maine	\$25.00
North/South Dakota Rushmore #23	North & South Dakota	\$0.00
Western Region #26	Arizona and California	\$0.00
Virginia #27	Virginia	\$30.00
Philadelphia #29	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	\$35.00
New York Mid-York #31	New York	\$30.00
Georgia #33	Georgia	\$30.00
Connecticut #34	Connecticut	\$35.00
Pennsylvania Three Rivers #37	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	\$50.00
Texas Bluebonnet #40	Texas	\$50.00
Indiana #42	Indiana	\$25.00
Wisconsin #44	Wisconsin	\$25.00
Chennai #49	Chennai, India	\$0.00
Tennessee Music City #53	Tennessee	\$35.00
Vermont & New Hampshire Twin States #56	Vermont & New Hampshire	\$25.00
Massachusetts #57	Massachusetts	\$85.00

Please Check the Appropriate Codes in Each Category Below

Years in Healthcare:

0 -5 6 -10 11 -20 21 -25 25+

Certification:

CHAM (NAHAM) CHFP (HFMA)
 FHFMA (HFMA) CHCS (ACA)
 Other (please list)

Employer Type:

Billing
 Collection Agency
 Consulting
 Law Firm
 Outsourcing
 Provider
 Software/IT
 Vendor/Corporate Partner
 Other (please list)

Position:

CFO
 Consultant
 Director
 Executive Director
 Vice President
 Manager
 Patient Access Representative
 Partner, Principal, Owner
 PFS Representative
 Supervisor/Coordinator
 Other (please list)

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