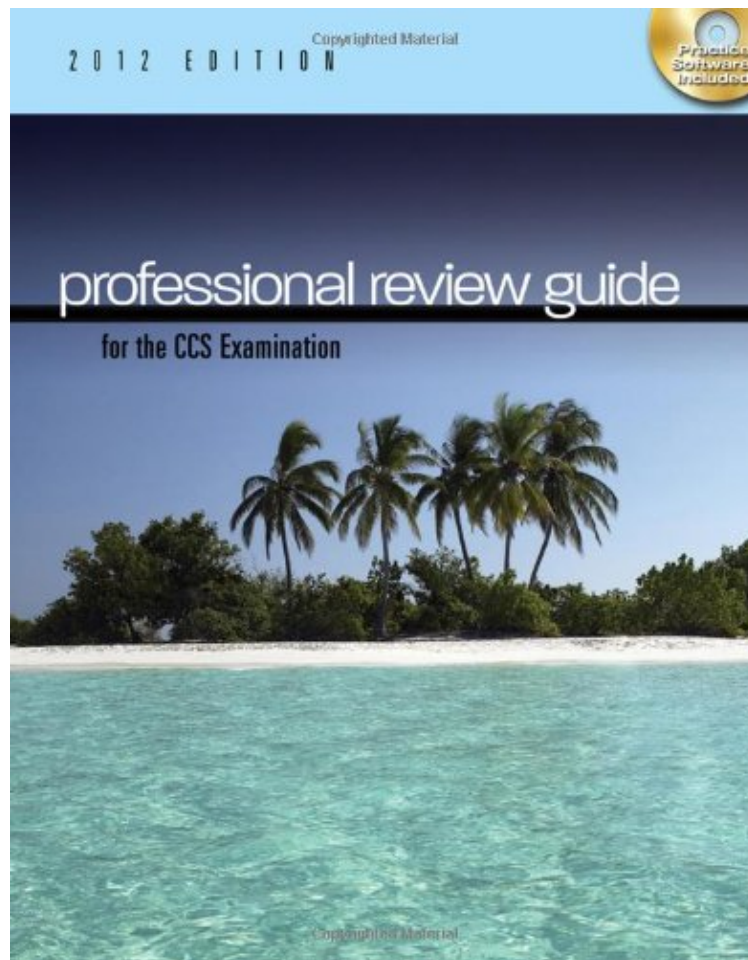


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22 of 22 people found the following review helpful. Good, but many errorsBy Frugal Momma CoderI agree with the previous reviewer that the questions in this review guide are fair and do a good job of testing a coder's broad knowledge base. My only complaint is that there are many errors in the book. (I'm preparing an e-mail to send to the publisher later this month, in fact.) For example, one of the case studies required 9 diagnosis codes, but the answer key only listed 8. The answer key for another case study listed the same diagnosis twice and omitted a correct diagnosis.

An E-code for an injury was listed in an answer key for another case, but coders are instructed to only assign E-codes for poisonings and adverse effects. These kinds of small errors are sprinkled throughout the book. Certainly there were places where I just made a mistake, but when I would show the answers to seasoned coders who've worked in the field for many years, they would also disagree with the codes listed in the answer key. Fortunately, I'd still estimate that 90% or more of the book is accurate, and VERY helpful in preparing me for the test. I just took it a week ago, and the CCS is still in the beta period, so I don't know if I passed or not yet. But I can safely say that I was not surprised by anything on the test, for the most part, and I felt very prepared. Through a combination of the Faye Brown ICD-9 book, consulting Coding Clinics for the last few years, and excellent training both on the job and in school getting my RHIT, I feel like I did well, and hope to have a "Pass!" letter in the mail soon! Don't hesitate to buy this book, just don't beat yourself up if you can't understand why your answer is wrong in some of the places. It might not be your fault! 20 of 20 people found the following review helpful. Professional Review Guide for the CCS Examination By Miranda Williams This book is really helpful in preparing me for the CCS Examination since it provides an outline of what I need to complete each week. The book contains several quizzes with answers in the back as well a list of domains to review if needed. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ... but I used the CCS-P guide last year and like it (and was fortunate to pass the exam) By desk buyer I haven't had a chance to use the book yet but I used the CCS-P guide last year and like it (and was fortunate to pass the exam). I like the idea of having a variety of resources so I used the AHIMA CCS-P review guide in the past and the PRG for CCS-P. I'm going to try the same strategy for taking the CCS and hopefully it will help me! I would recommend this to augment the AHIMA review guide because it is a different perspective, provides a good summary of topics to review in the front of the book and gives a nice variety of questions. I love AHIMA review products but find there is a lot of repetition among the review questions (like they're just repeating from one publication to another). Hope this helps.

The PROFESSIONAL REVIEW GUIDE FOR THE CCS EXAMINATION, 2012 EDITION is an essential, effective preparation tool for the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) exam. This comprehensive learning package includes a reader-friendly, content-rich book, along with a CD-ROM featuring additional useful resources and interactive study tools. Thorough and up-to-date, this invaluable guide covers critical information to help you pass the exam and prepare for professional success, including material on current code sets and AHIMA standards, ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS coding, electronic medical records, HIPAA requirements, and relevant laws, standards, and procedures. In addition to mock exam questions and detailed answer keys, the guide includes study tips, coding case studies, and quizzes and activities linked to AHIMA competencies to help you hone your skills by assigning codes to diagnoses and procedures for a variety of patient settings.

"I think that the questions in the book are very appropriate. They may be on the "more difficult" side when you compare them to the actual exam, but it's better to be overly prepared than fail the exam. I honestly can't think of one thing that should be done to improve this book - it's already great." Michelle H. Cranney, Program Director, Health Sciences, Virginia College Online, Birmingham, Alabama About the Author Patricia Schnering is an adjunct instructor of HIM at St. Petersburg College, and serves on its advisory board. In addition to experience as an HIM supervisor and consultant, she is the founder and owner of PRG Publishing Inc., where she published the first Professional Guides. Ms. Schnering has served as president of GCHIMA and on FHIMA's board of directors, where she twice received the FHIMA Literary Award. She is also a member of AHIMA and the Assembly on Education (AOE). In addition to a B.S. in business administration from the University of South Florida, she is a graduate of the health information management program at St. Petersburg College, and holds both CCS and RHIA certifications.