

Medical Terminology Instructors

Our medical terminology course section is taught by multiple experienced instructors

Carline Dagleish

Carline Dagleish has worked in medical office administration for over 30 years. She holds a bachelor's degree in Business Information Systems, a master's degree in Leadership, and a post-baccalaureate certificate in Health Information Management. She is a Registered Health Information Administrator and an AHIMA Approved ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer. Dagleish is the author of an ICD-10 coding system and also owns her own consulting firm.

Sharon L. Blackford

Sharon L. Blackford, MA, BA, RMA, has over 30 years of experience in the medical field. She has a Master's degree in Organizational Management, a Bachelor's degree in Business Management, and has served as a Registered Medical Assistant since 1994. Sharon was an active duty Clinical Specialist in the U.S. Army for 10 years. Sharon later moved to the Gulf Coast to accept a position as the Director of Education of Blue Cliff College and was promoted to Campus Director.

Stacey O'Brien

Stacey O'Brien has more than 10 years of experience in medical coding and reimbursement. Ms. O'Brien has been a risk adjustment coder for a Medicare advantage plan, audited medical records for a consulting firm, and currently supervises the coding and electronic claims submission process for a group medical practice. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a CPC coding certification from the AAPC.

Leahnata Davies

Dr. Leahnata Davies has been a nurse public health expert and nurse leader for over 20 years. Her teaching philosophy for health education is grounded and intertwined with her philosophy of nursing. Her hands-on experience in the nursing field has shaped the kind of teacher and mentor she hopes to be. She would like to set a foundation integrated with evidence-based practice to provide the basis of professional practice while supporting students' emotional, intellectual, and educational needs. Her desire to teach is twofold: She is committed to improving care for patients but also wants to continue to share her love of learning and passion for addressing the needs of the community, the healthcare system, and the learners. As an educator, she hopes to accomplish this through critical engagement, collaboration, and lifelong learning. Her

health care experience includes progressive experience in clinical and public health, healthcare administration, case management, health education, and instruction. As a public health expert,

Dr. Davies has extensive experience assessing, planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating the delivery of optimal care and services in diverse healthcare settings, including managing and executing government-funded care programs. In addition to a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Health Science from Walden University, Dr. Davies holds a Master of Public Health degree from Walden University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Felician College, Lodi, NJ.

Kate Moura Dos Santos

Kate Moura Dos Santos currently resides along the east coast in the beautiful state of Vermont. She started her career in the medical field in 1981 in the US ARMY as an active-duty Medical Secretary. After an honorable discharge, she became a Licensed Nursing Assistant (LNA) and Home Health Aide. She has worked in various capacities and disciplines including Med Surg, Neurology, ICU, Cardiac ICU, inpatient facilities as well as skilled nursing facilities, private homes, inpatient psych units and Alzheimer's memory units. She became so confident in her skills as an LNA, that in 2001, she became owner and operator of "Changing Seasons Home Health Care". She realized while operating her home care business, that she enjoyed teaching and training others in becoming proficient as an LNA, home health care aide.

Alexis M. Ramirez

Alexis M Ramirez, DNP, MSN, NPD-BC, CCRN has worked as a Registered Nurse (RN) for many years in cardiovascular critical care as well as taught in the acute care and academic settings. In addition to serving the community through care delivery, she has trained Patient Care Assistants, Monitor Technicians, Licensed Vocational Nurses, and Registered Nurses throughout her career.

Dr. Ramirez completed her Doctorate in Nursing Practice from California State University, Fresno in 2021. She completed her master's in nursing education from Chamberlain College of Nursing in 2014. She is board certified in Nursing Professional Development and as a Critical Care Nurse.

Betty Stahl

Betty Stahl holds a doctorate in pharmacy from Shenandoah University. Over the past several years, she has taught pharmacy technician programs at ASA College in New York City and ACT in Arlington, Virginia. Stahl has also worked as a pharmacist in independent and hospital settings.

Rox Ann Sparks, DNP, MSN, RN, CNE, CMHIMP, LNC

Dr. Rox Ann Sparks is an experienced nurse who has cared for patients and students in nearly every healthcare setting, with 35 years of practice in emergency medicine. Her nursing career has led her from obtaining her CNA, LVN, RN, and MSN to a Doctorate in Nursing Practice (DNP).

Dr. Sparks has experience in being a floor nurse to a chair of nursing. She has developed many different healthcare programs, from PCT to BSN. She has also consulted in accreditation for nursing programs and presented numerous educational programs from natural health to chronic diseases. These experiences led her to become a Certified Nurse Educator.

Dr. Sparks is currently the CEO of Sparks Nursing Consulting, which helps patients become healthier by coaching them to better health. She works with multiple law firms on the defense of nursing standards. She also developed an RN NCLEX review book and app to use the questions and multiple online courses for nurses and healthcare support staff.

Mary Mould

Mary Mould has a bachelor's in veterinary technology and a master's in education. She has taught veterinary technology courses for 22 years and distance education for over 24 years. Completing her education through distance learning has been extremely helpful in understanding her students and the variables that go along with distance learning.

Justine Romich

Justine Romich, MSN, RNC-EFM, has been a labor and delivery nurse for the past five years. She graduated from Carroll University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and a Master of Science in Nursing degree focusing on nursing education.

While practicing as a registered nurse (RN) in obstetric and newborn care, Justine has taught nursing students in various courses in classroom, clinical, and laboratory settings. She is dedicated to providing safe, evidence-based care to all patients, involving herself in professional nursing organizations and hospital committees to continuously improve practices.

Barrie M. Lange-Schneithorst

Barrie M. Lange-Schneithorst, MBA, BSHA, CHCO, CBCS, is a Director of Clinic and Administration Operations and Compliance. She began working in the healthcare

industry in 1987 as a medical underwriter with BCBS and has managed and overseen the operations of numerous medical, surgical, and urgent care clinics.

Ms. Lange-Schneithorst has taught and assisted with curriculum development in allied health services for over ten years, specializing in phlebotomy, anatomy and physiology, healthcare administration, billing and coding, electronic medical records (EMRs), healthcare statistics and analytics, HIPAA compliance, medical insurance, medical terminology, and medical law and ethics. She attended and completed her undergraduate and graduate degrees, graduating cum laude, at the Ohio State University and Franklin University in Columbus, Ohio.