RHIA Practice Questions

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Questions Missed or Answered Incorrectly

You answered the following question Correctly

**Question 1: ID# 615869  Category: Domain 1: Health Data Management**

To which of the following authorities do hospitals report vital statistics?

A. World Health Organization  
B. National Vital Statistics System  
C. Centers for Disease Control  
D. The designated state authority

**You Chose: [B]**

**Correct Answer(s): [B]**

Hospital vital statistics are reported to the National Vital Statistics System (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 58).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 2: ID# 616064  Category: Domain 3: Information Technology and Systems**

A group of computers connected within a relatively small geographic area such as an office building or hospital is this type of network?

A. Local area network  
B. Wide area network  
C. Wireless local area network  
D. Virtual private network

**You Chose: [B]**

**Correct Answer(s): [A]**

A local area network (LAN) is a group of computers typically connected within a relatively small geographic area, such as an office, building, or campus. Connectivity is generally achieved through dedicated cable (Amatayakul 2009, 260).
You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 3:  ID# 616258  Category: Domain 5: Privacy, Security, and Confidentiality

The baby of a mother who is 15 years old was recently discharged from the hospital. The mother is seeking access to the baby's health record. Who must sign the authorization for release of the baby's health record?

A. Both mother and father of the baby  
B. Maternal grandfather of the baby  
C. Maternal grandmother of the baby  
D. Mother of the baby

You Chose:  [B]  
Correct Answer(s):  [D]

Many state laws allow a minor to be treated as an adult for drug or alcohol dependency, sexually transmitted diseases, or be given contraceptives and prenatal care without parental or legal guardian consent. This gives minors the right to treatment and access of their health records as a competent adult (Brodnik et al. 2009, 243).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 4:  ID# 616002  Category: Domain 2: Health Statistics and Research Support

This function of the utilization management program identifies patients who are unsuitable for a particular procedure or admission.

A. Admission review  
B. Concurrent review  
C. Discharge planning  
D. Preadmission review

You Chose:  [B]  
Correct Answer(s):  [D]

The preadmission review is done prior to the patient's admission. It is required by most managed care plans. Its purpose is to determine if the admission and procedure are medically necessary and appropriate in an acute care setting. The preadmission review identifies patients who are unsuitable for admission or for a particular procedure and then directs them to the appropriate care setting to obtain healthcare services (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 547).

You answered the following question Correctly

Question 5:  ID# 616077  Category: Domain 3: Information Technology and Systems

Which type of architecture has one powerful central computer that performs all processing and storage functions while sending and receiving data to/from various terminals and printers?

A. Client/server  
B. Mainframe  
C. Super computer  
D. Web-based

You Chose:  [B]  
Correct Answer(s):  [B]

Mainframe computers use a single large computer with many terminals directly connected to it and sharing the resources of the single computer (Amatayakul 2009, 258).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 6:  ID# 615916  Category: Domain 1: Health Data Management

In the LTCH PPS, what is the standard federal rate?

A. Constant that converts the MS-LTC-DRG weight into a payment  
B. Relative weight based on the market basket of goods

You Chose:  [B]  
Correct Answer(s):  [A, B]
C. Geographic wage index
D. Adjustment mandated by the Benefits Improvement and Protection Act (BIPA) of 2000

You Chose: [C]

Correct Answer(s): [A]

In the long-term care prospective payment system (LTCH PPS), the standard federal rate is the national base payment amount in the prospective payment system for long-term care hospital (PPS for LTC) (Casto and Layman 2009, 131).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 7: ID# 616281 Category: Domain 5: Privacy, Security, and Confidentiality

Which of the following is a “public interest and benefit” exception to the authorization requirement?

A. Payment
B. PHI regarding victims of domestic violence
C. Information requested by a patient’s attorney
D. Treatment

You Chose: [A]

Correct Answer(s): [B]

Pursuant to the Privacy Rule, the hospital may disclose health information to law enforcement officials without authorization for law enforcement purposes for certain situations, including situations involving a crime victim. Disclosure is made in response to law enforcement official’s request for such information about an individual who is, or is suspected to be, a victim of a crime (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 290).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 8: ID# 615900 Category: Domain 1: Health Data Management

A 65-year-old woman was admitted to the hospital. She was diagnosed with septicemia secondary to Staphylococcus aureus and abdominal pain secondary to diverticulitis of the colon. What is the correct code assignment?

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<td>562.11</td>
<td>Diverticulitis of Colon (without Mention of Hemorrhage)</td>
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<td>789.00</td>
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A. 038.8, 562.11, 789.00
B. 038.11, 562.11
C. 038.8, 562.11, 041.11
D. 038.9, 562.11

You Chose: [A]

Correct Answer(s): [B]

Septicemia generally refers to a systemic disease associated with the presence of pathological microorganisms or toxins in the blood, which can include bacteria, viruses, fungi or other organisms. Code 038.11 is for septicemia with *Staphylococcus aureus*. Because abdominal pain is a symptom of diverticulitis, only the diverticulitis of the colon is coded (Schraffenberger 2010, 51, 68-69, 513).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 9: ID# 616215 Category: Domain 4: Organization and Management
The Act that place controls on labor unions and the relationships between unions and their member is:

A. Fair Labor Standards Act
B. Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act
C. Union Control Act
D. Workers’ Adjustment Retraining and Notification Act

You chose: [D]

Correct Answer(s): [B]

HR management activities associated with unions and collective bargaining are referred to as labor relations. Labor organizations (unions) enter into negotiations with employers on behalf of groups of employees who have elected to join a union. The negotiations relate to compensation and safety and health concerns. In a unionized environment, three laws that came into existence over a period of 25 years (1935-1960) constitute a code of practice for unions and management. HR departments pay strict attention to these three acts: National Labor Relations Act (Wagner Act), Labor-Management Relations Act (Taft-Hartley Act), Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (Landrum-Griffin Act) (Mathis and Jackson 2002; Anthony et al. 1996; LaTour and Eichenwald Maki, 726-727).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 10: ID# 616093  Category: Domain 3: Information Technology and Systems

In addition to bar codes on medical record documents, what other forms of recognition characteristics enhance the accuracy of forms indexing features?

A. Access controls
B. COLD
C. OCR
D. Workflow

You chose: [A]

Correct Answer(s): [C]

The ability to retrieve documents from an electronic document management system (EDMS) is determined by the underlying technology used to store the documents. In addition to bar codes on medical record documents, optical character recognition (OCR) may be available to enhance the accuracy of indexing features on forms (Amatayakul 2009, 376-377).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 11: ID# 616098  Category: Domain 3: Information Technology and Systems

Which of the following is not a kind of technology that focuses on data security?

A. Encryption
B. Biometrics
C. Firewalls
D. Smart cards

You chose: [B]

Correct Answer(s): [D]

Many current and emerging information technologies are used to support the security of healthcare data and information. They are the same technologies used to support the security of data and information in most vertical market industries. What sets the healthcare vertical market industry apart is the application of the technologies according to the second portion (Title II) of HIPAA, which mandates the protection of health information. Examples of security technologies include encryption and cryptography, biometrics technology, firewall systems, and audit trails (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 78).

You answered the following question Correctly

Question 12: ID# 616188  Category: Domain 4: Organization and Management

In project management, what is a baseline?
Before the project begins, the project manager will capture a baseline of the project schedule and work effort. The baseline is an original estimate for the project. It is captured so that the progress of the project can be compared to the original plan (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 817).

You answered the following question Correctly

Question 13: ID# 616311 Category: Domain 6: Legal and Regulatory Standards
Accreditation standards and the Medicare Conditions of Participation require that the patient’s ______ be documented by the attending physician in the patient's health record no more than 30 days after discharge.

A. Principal diagnosis
B. Principal procedure
C. Comorbidities
D. Complications

You Chose: [A]
Correct Answer(s): [A]
The Medicare Conditions of Participation (2006) require that the patient’s principal diagnosis be documented by the attending physician in the patient’s health record no more than 30 days after discharge (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 201).

You answered the following question Correctly

Question 14: ID# 616301 Category: Domain 6: Legal and Regulatory Standards
Which of the following terms is used in reference to a written document that describes the patient’s healthcare preferences in the event he or she becomes unable to communicate directly in the future?

A. Interval note
B. Rights statement
C. Consent to treatment
D. Advance directive

You Chose: [B]
Correct Answer(s): [D]
Advance directives include such items as living wills and statements of a patient's wishes in case of a critical illness, such as life support, ventilator support, and food and hydration. The admissions staff is required by law to ask patients whether they have established advance directives and to inform patients that they have the right to accept or refuse medical treatment (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 99).

You answered the following question Correctly

Question 15: ID# 615949 Category: Domain 1: Health Data Management
In data quality management, the processes and systems used to archive data and data journals are called:

A. Collection
B. Warehousing
C. Application
D. Analysis

You Chose: [B]
Correct Answer(s): [B]
The third key process of data quality management is warehousing, which are the processes and systems used to archive data and data journals (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 257).
**Question 16: ID# 616293  Category: Domain 5: Privacy, Security, and Confidentiality**

Many states have mandatory reporting requirements for suspected abuse or mistreatment of the following categories of individuals except:

- A. Children
- B. Competent adults
- C. Nursing home residents
- D. Residents of state mental health facilities

**You Chose:** [B]

**Correct Answer(s):** [B]

Most states require healthcare personnel to report suspected abuse of specified classes of individuals such as children, the elderly, and other vulnerable categories of individuals such as the mentally disabled (Brodnik et al. 2009, 132).

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**Question 17: ID# 616149  Category: Domain 4: Organization and Management**

All variances (as related to accounting) should be labeled as either:

- A. Good or bad
- B. Favorable or unfavorable
- C. Positive or negative
- D. Over budget or under budget

**You Chose:** [C]

**Correct Answer(s):** [B]

Variances are often calculated on the monthly budget report. The organization’s policies and procedures manual defines unacceptable variances or variances that must be explained. In identifying variances, it is important to recognize whether the variance is favorable or unfavorable and whether it is temporary or permanent (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 799).

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**Question 18: ID# 616217  Category: Domain 4: Organization and Management**

The Act that addresses wage disparities based on sex is:

- A. Age Discrimination in Employment Act
- B. Labor Management Relations Act
- C. National Pay Parity Act of 1987
- D. Equal Pay Act of 1963

**You Chose:** [A]

**Correct Answer(s):** [D]

The Equal Pay Act of 1963 regulates the concept of equal pay for men and women who perform similar work requiring similar skills, effort, and responsibility under similar working conditions (Brodnik et al. 2009, 341).

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**Question 19: ID# 616000  Category: Domain 2: Health Statistics and Research Support**

An assessment of a patient's readiness for placement in a nonacute setting is what function of utilization management?

- A. Admission review
- B. Concurrent review
- C. Discharge planning
- D. Preadmission review

**You Chose:** [A]
Discharge planning ensures that a patient is ready for placement in a nonacute setting when he or she leaves the facility. This process often begins either at preadmission or upon admission to ensure that the patient is placed or receives services needed at the time of discharge (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 548).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 20: ID# 616251 Category: Domain 5: Privacy, Security, and Confidentiality**

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act's Privacy Rule states that “______ used for the purposes of treatment, payment, or healthcare operations does not require patient authorization to allow providers access, use, or disclosure.” However, only the ______ information needed to satisfy the specified purpose can be used or disclosed.

A. Demographic information; minimum necessary
B. Protected health information; minimum necessary
C. Protected health information; diagnostic
D. Demographic information; diagnostic

You Chose: [A]

**Correct Answer(s):** [B]

The Privacy Rule states that protected health information used for purposes of treatment, payment, or healthcare operations does not require patient authorization to allow providers access, use, or disclosure. However, only the minimum necessary information needed to satisfy the specified purpose can be used or disclosed (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 22).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 21: ID# 616310 Category: Domain 6: Legal and Regulatory Standards**

The four major issues that have an impact on the record retention policy of a healthcare facility are patient care, research, space, and:

A. Microfilm costs
B. Readmission rates
C. Destruction policy
D. Legal and statutory requirements

You Chose: [B]

**Correct Answer(s):** [D]

Hospitals and other healthcare facilities develop health record retention policies to ensure that health records comply with all applicable state and federal regulations and accreditation standards (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 67).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 22: ID# 615998 Category: Domain 2: Health Statistics and Research Support**

The process of determining whether healthcare services meet predetermined standards of care is performed in this quality management function?

A. Infection control
B. Clinical quality assessment
C. Utilization management
D. Risk management

You Chose: [A]

**Correct Answer(s):** [B]

Clinical quality management involves the evaluation of direct patient care. Clinical performance is often measured around diagnosis, medical condition, or care processes along with outcomes. The relationship between the way care is provided and the outcomes or results of the medical intervention is the focus of clinical quality management (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 519-520).
Question 23: ID# 616008  Category: Domain 2: Health Statistics and Research Support

A ratio in which x is a portion of the whole is called a(n):

A. Index  
B. Chart  
C. Proportion  
D. Distribution

You Chose: [C]

Correct Answer(s): [C]

A proportion is a particular type of ratio in which x is a portion of the whole \((x + y)\). In a proportion, the numerator is always included in the denominator (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 424-425).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 24: ID# 615895  Category: Domain 1: Health Data Management

A consumer interested in comparing the performance of health plans should review data from:

A. HEDIS  
B. OASIS  
C. ORYX  
D. UHDDS

You Chose: [B]

Correct Answer(s): [A]

Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS) is a set of standard performance measures designed to provide purchasers and consumers of healthcare with the information they need for comparing the performance of managed healthcare plans (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 170).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 25: ID# 616314  Category: Domain 6: Legal and Regulatory Standards

The _______ notifies physicians that Medicare payment to the facility is partly based on the patient’s principal and secondary diagnoses, as well as the major procedures performed, and that falsification of records can lead to fines, imprisonment, or civil penalty under federal laws.

A. Medicare reimbursement rule  
B. Physician acknowledgment statement  
C. Provider agreement  
D. Diagnosis and procedure validation statement

You Chose: [A]

Correct Answer(s): [B]

Long-term, acute-care hospitals are required to have physician acknowledgment statements signed and dated from the attending physician at the initial time of credentialing for admitting privileges just as is required for short-term, acute-care hospitals (Odom-Wesley et al. 2009, 351).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

Question 26: ID# 616029  Category: Domain 2: Health Statistics and Research Support

A QI technique that allows groups to narrow the focus of discussion or to make decisions without becoming involved in extended circular discussions is called:

A. Brainstorming  
B. Benchmarking  
C. Decision-making technique  
D. Nominal group technique

You Chose: [B]
The nominal group technique gives each member of the team the opportunity to select which ideas identified from the affinity diagram process are the most important. This technique allows groups to narrow the focus of discussion or make decisions without getting involved in extended, circular discussions during which more vocal members dominate (Shaw et al. 2010, 20).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 27:**  ID# 616039  Category: Domain 3: Information Technology and Systems

In which phase of the systems development life cycle does initial training on a new information system generally occur?

A. Analysis  
B. Design  
C. Implementation  
D. Maintenance and evaluation

You Chose: [B]  

**Correct Answer(s):** [C]  

During the implementation phase of the SDLC a comprehensive plan for implementing the new system is developed. This plan would include all plans for training managers, technical staff, and other end-users (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 148).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 28:**  ID# 616320  Category: Domain 6: Legal and Regulatory Standards

The Joint Commission’s position on autoauthentication of dictated and transcribed reports is which of the following?

A. Fully supports  
B. Supports only for surgical dictation  
C. Supports only for discharge summaries  
D. Does not support

You Chose: [A]  

**Correct Answer(s):** [D]  

Some facilities use autoauthentication even though the Joint Commission does not approve it because evidence cannot be provided that the physician actually reviewed and approved each dictated report (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 213).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 29:**  ID# 616295  Category: Domain 5: Privacy, Security, and Confidentiality

The medical record of Kathy Smith, the plaintiff, has been subpoenaed for a deposition. The plaintiff’s attorney wants to use the records as evidence to prove his client’s case. In this situation, although the record constitutes hearsay, it may be used as evidence based on the:

A. Admissibility exception  
B. Discovery exception  
C. Direct evidence exception  
D. Business record exception

You Chose: [A]  

**Correct Answer(s):** [D]  

The Business Record Exception is the rule under which a record is determined to not be hearsay if it was made at or near the time by, or from information transmitted by, a person with knowledge; it was kept in the course of a regularly conducted business activity; and it was the regular practice of that business activity to make the record (Brodnik et al. 2009, 461).

You answered the following question Incorrectly

**Question 30:**  ID# 616164  Category: Domain 4: Organization and Management
expectations toward a vision would be best described as:

A. Transactional  
B. Normative  
C. Charismatic  
D. Inventive

You Chose: [A]  
Correct Answer(s): [C]  
An important aspect of transformational leadership is charisma, or the ability to inspire and motivate people beyond what is expected with exceptionally high levels of commitment (Boerner and Dutschke 2008; Choi 2006). Charisma refers to influence by force of personality in which the leader inspires commitment, loyalty, and faith in a vision (LaTour and Eichenwald Maki 2010, 659).