



Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist

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Who Should Become a Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist™?

This certification is the first offered by NAAC® that is specifically geared for **EMTs, paramedics and other EMS practitioners**. It is also appropriate for EMS QA/QI personnel, supervisors/managers, compliance officers, billers and anyone else involved in EMS clinical care or any aspect of the ambulance service revenue cycle.

Every one of your agency's EMS field providers should take the CADS course. Having the CADS credential shows a true commitment to quality care and top-notch documentation by your agency. The CADS certification can help providers open new doors, advance their career and separate themselves from their peers.



Why Become a Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist?

Getting EMS practitioners to consistently produce high quality patient care reports (PCRs) is one of the top concerns mentioned time and again by EMS chiefs, ambulance company executives and other industry senior leaders. If EMS documentation isn't up to par, the consequences can be far-reaching. Poor PCRs can expose providers to liability in court, cost the ambulance service money in lost revenues, and create compliance problems in the event of an audit. These are just a few of the reasons why NAAC – the National Academy of Ambulance

Compliance – has developed the CADS course. CADS is the first professional designation in the EMS industry to solely focus on documentation skills. And let's face it – those are skills that providers just don't get enough of in EMT or paramedic school! Documentation is part of patient care – so if your agency wants to provide the best care, it also has to produce the best charts. Your agency can't truly provide the best care if your people aren't writing the best PCRs.

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What Does the Course Cover?

The course is presented in a dynamic, interactive fashion with real-world scenarios to keep your attention and reinforce key concepts. And, best of all, the content was developed by the attorneys and consultants of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth – the nation's most respected EMS Industry Law Firm.

Some of the key subjects addressed in the CADS course include:

- Documenting medical necessity and reasonableness;
- Writing an effective clinical narrative;
- Understanding the signature requirements for patients and crew members;
- Emphasizing the importance of accuracy and integrity in all aspects of documentation;
- Addressing special challenges for non-emergency and repetitive patient documentation;

- Documenting with specificity and detail to support proper ICD coding;
- Identifying proper methods of modifying or amending PCRs;
- Reducing medical malpractice liability through effective charting;
- And much more

CADS is available as a live course in conjunction with the abc³⁶⁰ conference (www.abc360conference.com). CADS can also be brought on-site to your EMS agency (contact naacinfo@AmbulanceCompliance.com for details). CADS online is also available 24-7 on the NAAC learning management system (starting in 2018). The one-day course includes about 6 hours of instructional time. Students must achieve a minimum score of 70% on the CADs exam to earn a permanent certification (no annual con-ed or recert required).



What is NAAC®?

NAAC — The National Academy of Ambulance Compliance — a company dedicated to the advancement of compliance education for the nation's ambulance industry. NAAC provides online and live classroom educational programs and offers certifications recognized throughout the United States.

The Highest Standards of Educational Integrity

NAAC has been accepted by many national, state and local organizations as an approved educational provider. NAAC courses have been adopted by the University of Pittsburgh as an approved undergraduate course at the collegiate level. NAAC adheres to the highest standards of educational integrity in all of its programming.

National Recognition and Acceptance

NAAC has partnered with many national and state organizations and governmental agencies to provide accredited continuing education for their programs all across the United States.

NAAC continuing education partners include CMS (the Medicare Learning Network), multiple Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs), numerous state ambulance associations and many other educational providers throughout the country. Continuing education opportunities are available online and at accredited educational events throughout the U.S.

The Gold Standard of Excellence

NAAC represents the industry's Gold Standard of Excellence in compliance, ethics and integrity in all facets of ambulance coding and compliance.

Commitment Statement

NAAC is committed to the development of outstanding educational programs to improve the knowledge, accuracy and efficiency of ambulance industry professionals, and is dedicated to raising the prestige of the ambulance billing, compliance and revenue cycle management profession.

The CADS curriculum was designed with the input of nationwide documentation experts and in consultation with the attorneys of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth – the National EMS Industry Law Firm® to ensure the program is relevant, accurate and current.

Call NAAC® TODAY at 877-765-NAAC (6222)





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