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Healthcare documentation needs YOU! Now more than ever the medical profession needs qualified people with our unique knowledge base and skill set documenting and editing medical records. Join the movement toward a credentialed workforce to increase the integrity of healthcare documentation and reduce medical errors. Credentialing is your future—position yourself for success in your chosen career by pursuing your RHDS credential!

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Why Credential?

Represent and advocate for quality documentation

Help ensure patient safety

Define your skills and knowledge

Shine and gain self-esteem

ARE YOU...

Detail-oriented?
Passionate about accuracy?
Devoted to learning?
Willing to prove yourself?

Move to the next level by becoming credentialed!

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RHDS Credentialing Exam Frequently Asked Questions



What is the cost of the RHDS exam?

Onsite exam: \$150 members, \$230 list price. Online proctored exam: \$100 members, \$150 list price.

Where is the exam given?

Take your credentialing exam at a [Kryterion](#) testing center or online via secure, online proctoring (OLP).

Who Should Earn Their RHDS?

Recent graduates of healthcare documentation/medical transcription education programs, healthcare documentation practitioners with fewer than 2 years' experience in acute care, and experienced practitioners working in a single-specialty environment (e.g., private practice, radiology, pathology).

How do I apply for exam eligibility?

It is \$10 to apply for exam eligibility (valid for 180 days from the date of processing). [Log into the AHDI website in order to apply and submit your exam eligibility](#). Current AHDI members and guest members need to sign into your member record/account. If you do not have a record, [register](#) as a guest member or purchase [AHDI membership](#).

May I use reference materials?

No. Reference materials are not allowed in the testing center, and none will be provided. Electronic aids such as spellcheckers and abbreviation expanders will not be permitted. One of the consequences of using secure testing centers is the elimination of reference materials. However, the exam has been designed to test core knowledge, which should not require reference materials.

Will I need to use a foot pedal?

No. You will play the dictation using a mouse. The dictation snippets are very short and you will only need to fill in the text field with the missing information.

How long is the exam?

You will be given up to 3 hours to complete the RHDS exam.

When will I receive my results?

You will receive your exam results immediately after you submit the exam for scoring. You will also receive an email with your exam results.

Are there study materials available?

Yes. There are study materials available online [here](#).

How long are my credentials good for?

Your RHDS credential is good for 3 years. At the end of the 3-year period, you will recertify your RHDS credential by taking and successfully passing an online course or you may choose to take the CHDS exam. [Learn more](#).

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