



Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity

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### Professional Designation Awarded

\_\_\_\_\_ has earned recognition from the Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity (AHDII) by being designated a Certified Medical Transcriptionist (CMT). The CMT credential is the highest honor of professional achievement available to medical transcriptionists.

\_\_\_\_\_ qualified as a CMT by passing a rigorous certification exam. The exam includes a multiple-choice portion covering medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, disease processes, English language and usage, healthcare record, and professional development. The practical portion covers a variety of medical specialties and medical report types. In order to maintain certification, each CMT must meet continuing education requirements over successive three-year periods in the future.

Currently, there are approximately 3,000 CMTs in the United States and several foreign countries. Certified medical transcriptionists are employed in a variety of work settings, including hospitals, clinics, physician offices, transcription services, as independent contractors, and in a number of other healthcare environments. The primary skills necessary for performance of quality medical transcription are extensive medical knowledge and understanding, sound judgment, deductive reasoning, and the ability to detect medical inconsistencies in dictation.

For more information about certification for medical transcriptionists, the profession, and the Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity, visit AHDII's website at [www.ahdionline.org](http://www.ahdionline.org).

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