



Medical Transcription Industry Facts

What Do Medical Transcriptionists And Editors Do?

Medical transcription professionals play a key role in providing accurate medical records. The industry is evolving to include two important and distinct roles:

- Medical transcriptionists who type (or transcribe) the dictations of doctor-patient interactions, creating the reports that are included in patients' medical records.
- Medical transcription editors who are specialized medical transcriptionists focused on correcting and editing the written reports generated by speech recognition software, which electronically transcribes dictations into text.

Where Do Medical Transcriptionists And Editors Work?

Medical transcription is primarily a work-from-home occupation, giving you the opportunity to have a professional career from the comfort of your own home. Most healthcare providers outsource their medical transcription work to national healthcare documentation companies, which hire medical transcription professionals from all over the country to transcribe and edit the records from their homes in an online, virtual work environment.

How Much Do Medical Transcriptionists And Editors Earn?

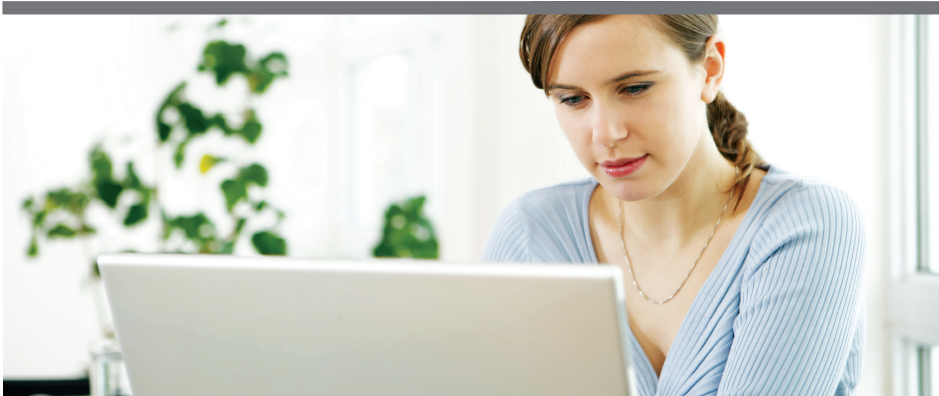
Medical transcription professionals are compensated in several different ways, and the amount each individual earns varies with

employer and experience level. However, these professionals are usually paid on a production basis, and the U.S. Department of Labor reports that they earn an average of over \$32,000 a year.

Is The Medical Transcription Field Growing?

There is a growing demand for well-trained medical transcription professionals. The 2010-2011 edition of the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, published by the U.S. Department of Labor, estimates:

- A healthy job market as industry employment is projected to grow by 11% by 2018. Many current medical transcription jobs may also transition to editor roles.
- A high demand for transcription services, sustained by the continued need for easily shared electronic documentation. This high demand may also encourage more employers to transition to speech recognition technology.
- A growing number of professionals needed in the field to amend patients' records, edit documents from speech recognition systems, and identify discrepancies in medical reports.



"The program is very challenging but that is what makes it worthwhile. . . . The program prepared me so well that I was able to pass with High Honors and get a great job! My employer is very pleased with my progress so far on the job, and so am I."

- Lisa, Class of 2010

Medical Transcription Editor Program Details

Program Overview and Completion Hours

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Technology and the Medical Professional	5
Keyboard Kinetics	10
Medical Word Building	15
Grammar and Punctuation	10
Anatomy, Pathophysiology, and Disease Processes – Block 1	25
Anatomy, Pathophysiology, and Disease Processes – Block 2	20
Mastering Medical Language	5
Pharmacology	15
Healthcare Documentation	10
Diagnostic Reports	20
Focus on Medical Specialties	30
Midterm	0.5
Introduction to Transcription	13
Transcription Clinic Notes	105
Transcription Basic Acute Care	100
Transcription Advanced Acute Care	150
Editing Theory	15
Editing Technique	20
Editing Clinic Notes	25
Editing Acute Care	40
Final Exam Preparation	0.5
TOTAL	640

Why Train With Us?

Built on almost 20 years of experience in training high-quality medical transcriptionists, the Medical Transcription Editor program helps you quickly gain the knowledge and skills you need to get a job and excel in your new career. This is one of the first comprehensive medical transcription and editing training programs in the industry, and you'll have everything you need to succeed, including comprehensive curriculum, flexible online training, and dedicated student and graduate support.

Comprehensive Curriculum

This program's comprehensive curriculum was developed by medical transcriptionists with years of professional experience. It includes real-world practical experience to ensure you gain the skills you need to excel in the workforce. The curriculum is specially designed to:

- Help you gain the skills of both a medical transcriptionist and a specialized medical transcription editor
- Simulate the real world by training you on hundreds of authentic physician dictations
- Prepare you for the future of the industry as it relies more on speech recognition technology
- Train you to begin working from home immediately upon graduation

Flexible Online Training

With online training, you can minimize the challenges of taking time out to return to school. The online training format offers distinct advantages, including the opportunity to:

- Study on a schedule that fits your life
- Enjoy the flexibility to adjust the time and effort you devote to your coursework each day
- Progress at the pace that matches your learning style

Live Student & Graduate Support

Enjoy the benefits of an online course with the reassurance of dedicated support when you need it. The Medical Transcription Editor program includes access to three professional support teams—student support, technical support, and graduate support. All of these teams are committed to helping you:

- Graduate quickly
- Prepare for industry certification
- Successfully move into the workforce