

ALABAMA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
"WHAT'S NEW?"

2012 CODEquest Introduces ICD-10 to Help You Prepare for the Biggest Change in Ophthalmology Coding in 30 Years:

On October 1, 2013, practices in the U.S. must start using an entirely new coding system- ICD-10. There will be no delays and no grace periods. ICD-10 will change coding as you know it. It will quadruple the codes you need to know for ophthalmology, slow down coding and reimbursement in your practice and make your practice prone to coding errors. That is why the American Academy of Ophthalmic Executives (AAOE), the practice management arm of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, developed a new CODEquest program to help you get started on your ICD-10 training.

In conjunction with the Alabama Academy of Ophthalmology (ALAO), AAOE presents three hours of step-by-step ICD-10 instruction with real life scenarios, followed by three hours of ICD-9 updates highlighting the latest in coding and documentation. This complete package of coding updates helps you continue to code accurately in 2012 and helps you prepare for ICD-10 implementation before it starts.

CODEquest instructors know what you are going through and know how to help you succeed. They are renowned experts in the field of ophthalmology, with decades of experience in documentation, coding and reimbursement. When you attend CODEquest, you will be taught by the best ophthalmology-specific instructors in the country. With them at the helm, you will increase your coding competence and confidence.

ALAO and AAOE will sponsor CODEquest seminars in Alabama in 2012 and/or 2013. Times/Dates/Locations will be announced when available.

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ALAO OFFERS NEW 10% DISCOUNT ON DUES FOR 2012:

Beginning in 2012, ALAO will offer a 10% discount on 2012 dues when all members of a practice join ALAO. See ALAO 2012 dues statements for an explanation of this new dues option.

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S.E. EYE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING - FRIDAY NIGHT SHRIMP BOIL - ADMISSION CHANGES:

The annual Friday night Shrimp Boil at the S.E. Eye 2012 Annual Meeting (July 27) will have a new admission policy than in past years. Beginning in 2012, each meeting registrant will receive two tickets to the Friday night Shrimp Boil as part of their registration fees. All others attending will pay a fee of \$25.00/per person, both adults and children. Detailed information will be available in S.E. Eye 2012 promotional materials upcoming.