

# Medicare Cost Report Camp

Tampa, FL • March 11-12, 2025



Sponsored by The American Institute of Healthcare Compliance (AIHC®)

AIHC® has partnered with *KraftCPAs* LLC to bring you this exciting program and opportunity to certify as a Cost Report Specialist. Certification is optional after camp. *Network with other professionals*, learn the Medicare cost report process, and train to become a Certified Cost Report Specialist (optional) online after camp!

## About This Live Event & Online Pre-Camp Resources

This training camp is designed for novice or seasoned cost report preparers. It is recommended for Chief Financial Officers, accounting staff, revenue cycle professionals, reimbursement professionals, and employees tasked with gathering information for Medicare cost reports at healthcare organizations. Experienced Cost Reporting Professionals who would like to enhance their skillset by obtaining a professional certification will have the option to certify as a Certified Cost Report Specialist (CCRS<sup>SM</sup>) after successful completion of the Medicare Cost Report Training Camp.

## Access to Immediate Resources Upon Registration

Upon registration, you are given ready access to downloadable information such as COVID and Cost Reporting, Overview of DSH, FAQs, e-Filing requirements, Documentation Requirements, Abbreviations & Terms, a sample cost report and the *Cost Report and Compliance Video*.

- **Prerequisites:** Basic knowledge of the preparation of Medicare cost reports, with some experience either gathering information for cost reports or actively preparing cost reports for an institutional healthcare organization.
- **Advanced Preparation:** A number of documents will be provided to you electronically before camp begins. You are responsible for reviewing these documents prior to the first day of camp.
- **Program Level:** Basic
- **Instructional Delivery Method:** Group Live
- *A hard copy training manual is provided at camp. Additional training materials are provided to you electronically after the training camp ends.*

## Earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

You must attend both days to earn your CPE/CEU certificate



**18 CEUs** - This program has been approved for 18 continuing education units by the American Institute of Healthcare Compliance for our Certified Professionals. These continuing education units may be applied towards the Core, HIPAA, and Ethics CEU categories for all of our professional credentials for your next renewal.



Participants will earn **12 CPE credits** / **Field of Study:** Specialized Knowledge - The American Institute of Healthcare Compliance is registered with the National Associate of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. State boards of accountancy have final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE credit. Complaints regarding registered sponsors may be submitted to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors through its website: [www.nasbaregistry.org](http://www.nasbaregistry.org)



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# Training Camp Cost Report Expert/Instructor

## Scott Mertie – Trainer

CHFP, CMPE, CPPM, CCRS, CHA, CIFHA, CHCO, FHFMA  
President, Kraft Healthcare Consulting, LLC



Scott Mertie is the president of Kraft Healthcare Consulting, LLC, an affiliate of KraftCPAs PLLC. With over 30 years of experience in the healthcare industry, Scott consults on various areas involving third-party reimbursement, operations, and compliance for clients throughout the United States. Additionally, Scott provides expert reports and testimony for healthcare-related litigation engagements. His clients include hospitals, long-term care facilities, physicians, and other providers, as well as law firms. His previous experience includes working for a Nashville-based hospital management company, a Nashville hospital system, and other CPA firms.

Scott regularly presents on a variety of healthcare topics to organizations such as the HFMA, MGMA, NMGMA, MTHEA, AAPC, and TSCPA, among others, and has guest lectured at Vanderbilt and Belmont Universities. He has also partnered with the American Institute for Healthcare Compliance (AIHC®) to develop a Medicare/Medicaid cost report bootcamp course. In addition, he worked with AIHC® to create the Certified Cost Report Specialist (CCRS<sup>SM</sup>) credential, as well as its related education and testing.

### What You Will Learn at Camp *(subject to compliance updates)*

Class size is limited to provide an optimal learning experience and abide by social distancing guidelines. Class time both days is 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. The agenda is subject to change. Camp includes interactive break-out sessions & interactive question & answer exercises.

**Compliance:** Learn How to Locate the Code of Federal Regulations CFR Title 42 and Navigate the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Website to Download Reimbursement Manuals

- Identify How Medicare Cost Reporting Relates to the False Claims Act (FCA)
- Identify High-Risk Areas Related to the FCA and Cost Reporting

### Background of the Medicare Cost Report System and Major Milestones

- Understand the Language of Cost Reporting: Define Related Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Terms and Recognize Medicare Provider Number Nomenclature to Identify the Type of Provider

### Cost Reporting

- Locate Cost Report Forms on the CMS Website for Hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Hospices, Rural Health Clinics, CMHCs, FQHCs, and Chain/Home Offices
- Identify Requirements Related to MCREf (Medicare Cost Report E-Filing)
- Demonstrate Sufficient Knowledge of the Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual, Part 2, Chapter 40 to Complete Form CMS 2552 (Locating and Understanding Worksheet Instructions) for:
  - Chapter 39 (Home office)
  - Chapter 41 (SNF)
  - Chapter 42 (Renal)
  - Chapter 43 (Hospice)
  - Chapter 44 (FQHC)
  - Chapter 45 (CMHC)
  - Chapter 46 (RHC)



## *Training Camp Learning Objectives, continued*

- Learn General Medicare Cost Report Settlement Subject Matter, Such As:
  - Wage Index (Used to Adjust Rates Geographically) and Worksheet S-3, Part II
  - Project Costs: Cost-Based Reimbursement, Overall Costs Used to Set National Base PPS Rates, Cost Finding/Cost to Charge Ratios
  - Medicare Bad Debts
  - Uncompensated Care
    - Charity Care, Non-Medicare Bad Debt
  - Disproportionate Share
  - IME/GME Teaching Hospitals
  - Other Cost Report Settlements

### **Filing Requirements**

- Understand Requirements to File Cost Reports, Section 1815(2) of the Social Security Act and Understanding Compliance to the Cost Reporting Period
  - Initial Cost Reporting Period
  - Established and New Providers
  - Cessation of the Participation in Program
  - Changing of Cost Reporting Periods
  - Timely Filing of the Cost Report

### **Bad Debt**

- How to Identify and Integrate Requirements Related to Allowable Medicare Bad Debt During Your Cost Reporting Process:
  - Criteria for Allowable Medicare Bad Debt
  - Reasonable Collection Effort
  - Indigent Patients
  - Medicare Beneficiaries with Medicaid Secondary
  - Physician Professional Component
  - Accounting Period for Medicare Bad Debt
  - Recovery of Bad Debts
  - Using a Bad Debt Log Checklist
  - DSH (Disproportionate Share Hospital)
    - Calculate DSH
    - Calculate the Uncompensated Care Adjustment
    - Implementation of Section 3133 of the Affordable Care Act-Medicare DSH-Supplemental Data
    - The Combined DSH & UCA Calculation

### **Included in Camp Tuition**

- Downloadable information can be accessed through the online resource page upon registration.
- The camp includes two days of classroom training to review key course concepts.
- **Lunch is provided on both days** of the training camp.
- Training materials and access to the online post-camp page are provided for **up to three (3) months** after camp ends.
- AIHC® Membership is provided for one (1) year *for first-time members only*.

**Your investment:**    **Camp Tuition for Non-Members (Public) \$825**  
                                 **Members Pay \$695**

**Registration Deadline: February 17, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST**



## Need more than a Certificate? **Optional Online Certification Exam w/Remote Proctor**

Experienced Cost Report professionals will have the *option* to certify as a Certified Cost Report Specialist (CCRS<sup>SM</sup>) after successful completion of the Cost Report Training Camp for an additional \$75 exam fee per attempt. A total of (3) attempts at certification are permitted. You will be provided details via email regarding the option to certify upon successful camp completion.

### About the Certification Exam

- Online, open note, three (3) hour proctored exam consisting of 100 questions
- Passing score is 80%\*
- There are five (5) Domains:
  - Allowable Bad Debt
  - eFiling Your Cost Report
  - Provider Statistical and Reimbursement System (PS&R)
  - Compliance and Cost Reporting
  - General Cost Report Concepts, Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Terms

### *If (When) You Certify as a Cost Report Specialist - You'll Need to Maintain Your CCRS<sup>SM</sup> Credential*

Once you become a Certified Cost Report Specialist (CCRS<sup>SM</sup>), you need to maintain your credential by earning six (6) CEUs annually. We offer a free, 50-question online renewal exam to quickly and easily earn your CEUs. We also accept CPEs and relevant CEUs earned through other professional organizations.

*Do you have questions?*

*Please contact us at 330-241-5635, Option #2 for Registrations or Option #6 for Help Desk.*

## TRAINING LOCATION

**Embassy Suites by Hilton  
Tampa Airport Westshore**  
555 N. Westshore Boulevard  
Tampa, FL 33609



***Make Your Reservation Soon! Sleeping Room – We have a Special Event Room Rate:  
\$229 per night!***

- Guaranteed Sleeping Room Reservation Deadline for the \$229 Rate: **February 17, 2025**

Make your Sleeping Room Reservations directly with the [Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore](#).

### Your stay includes

- Complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast buffet served daily
- Complimentary evening reception
- Complimentary Transportation to and from Tampa International Airport and scheduled local destinations
- On-site restaurant
- Room Service
- Fitness center
- Pet-friendly rooms
- Business center
- Digital Key



## Flying into Tampa International Airport? The Hotel Offers Complimentary Transportation to and from the airport!



The training camp is located (2) miles from Tampa International Airport and the hotel offers a complimentary airport transportation. For airport shuttle pick-ups, guests can call the main hotel line (813)-875-1555 and the hotel will dispatch a driver for pick-up.

### How to Register for this Live Event

Register Online – [Click here](#) to register securely for this training camp.

We accept the following credit cards online via the secure payment portal located on the course registration page.



### *Need to Mail a Check or Money Order?*

Scroll down, complete the hardcopy enrollment form and enclose it with your payment.

### Refund & Financial Policies

View the Refund Policy posted on the Home Page of our website under Financial Policies [www.aihc-assn.org](http://www.aihc-assn.org)



**Hardcopy Registration Form**  
**Spring 2025 Medicare Cost Report Camp**

March 11-12, 2025 in Tampa, FL

**Final Registration Deadline: February 17, 2025 @ 12:00 pm EST**

<b>Enrollment Date:</b>	<b>I intend to take the online certification exam after completing this program:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Name &amp; Credentials:</b>	
<b>Home Address:</b>	<b>Employer Name &amp; Address:</b>
<b>Current Job Position:</b>	
<small>(For website administration and registration confirmation)</small> <b>Primary Email Address:</b>  <b>Alternate Email Address:</b>	<b>Work Phone Number:</b>  <b>Alternate or Cell Phone Number:</b>

**Please Make Checks Payable to: AIHC®**

[ ] Non-Member Price: \$825    [ ] Members Pay: \$695

**Mailing Address:** 3637 Medina Road, Suite 15, Medina, Ohio 44256

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Or request an invoice by emailing [RegistrationDepartment@aihc-assn.org](mailto:RegistrationDepartment@aihc-assn.org), or call 330-241-5635 (option 2)

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