Pharmacy Third Party Payment (PHRA 1240)

Credit: 2 semester credit hours (2 hours lecture)

Prerequisite: Complete the TSI Assessment Tests with 350/Mathematics, 351/Reading, and 363/4/Writing

Course Description
Pharmaceutical mathematics including reading, interpreting, and solving calculation problems encountered in the preparation and distribution of drugs.

Required Textbook and Materials
1. Medical Insurance for Pharmacy Technicians
   ISBN-13: 978-0-07-337416-1

Course Objectives
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Discuss and compare the benefits of managed care.
2. Identify the needs of individuals who are not insurance-eligible.
3. Describe pricing schedules and demonstrate effective problem solving skills.
4. Communicate with third-party administrators related to coverage and eligibility.

Course Outline
A. Pharmacy Insurance Specialty
1. Benefits
2. Insurance Basics
3. The Billing Cycle
4. Effects of Pharmacy Claim Errors
B. Medicolegal Issues and the Pharmacy
1. Regulation
2. HIPAA
3. Legislation
4. Fraud and Abuse
C. Private Insurance
1. Types
2. Pharmacy Benefits Manager
D. Medicare
E. Other Third Party Providers
1. Medicaid
2. Tricare and Champva
3. Workers' Compensation
4. Discount Card Programs
F. Claim Preparation and Transmission
G. Processing Claims and Reconciling Accounts
1. Payer Processing Claims

2. Remittance Advice
3. Collecting Patient Point-of-Sale Payments
4. Account Reconciliation
5. Audits

Grade Scale

90 – 100	A
80 – 89	B
70 – 79	C
60 – 69	D
0 – 59	F

Course Evaluation

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

1. Exams 40%

2. Final Exam 30%

3. Quizzes/Homework 20%

4. Participation 10%

Course Requirements

1. Exams

2. Final Exam

3. Quizzes/Homework

4. Classroom Participation

Technical Requirements (for courses using Blackboard)

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, software, Java, etc. can be found online at:
https://help.blackboard.com/en-us/Learn/9.1_2014_04/Student/015_Browser_Support/015_Browser_Support_Policy A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of the online technology and resources.

Disabilities Statement

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1992 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. Among other things, these statutes require that all students with documented disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodations for their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409) 880-1737 or visit the office in Student Services, Cecil Beeson Building. You may also visit the online resource at http://www.lit.edu/depts/stuserv/special/defaults.aspx

Student Code of Conduct Statement

It is the responsibility of all registered Lamar Institute of Technology students to access, read, understand and abide by all published policies, regulations, and procedures listed in the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook*. The *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* may be accessed at www.lit.edu or obtained in print upon request at the Student Services Office. Please note that the online version of the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* supersedes all other versions of the same document.