

RHIA Capstone[™] Assessment Content Outline

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Domain 1: Data Structure, Content, and Information Governance (12-18%)

Tasks:

- 1. Evaluate policies and strategies to achieve data integrity (e.g., quality improvement, health informatics, and database management)
- 2. Compare diverse stakeholder perspectives through the delivery of healthcare services
- 3. Recommend compliance of health record content across the health system (e.g., types of records created and types of services provided)
- 4. Determine if a standard has been met for an accreditation survey (e.g., Joint Commission)

Domain 2: Information Protection: Access, Disclosure, Archival, Privacy, and Security (9-18%)

Tasks:

- 1. Recommend privacy strategies for health information
- 2. Recommend policies and strategies related to security of health information
- 3. Analyze compliance of the health information life cycle (e.g., legal requirements, privacy, security, and risks to the organization)

Domain 3: Informatics, Analytics, and Data Use (15-23%)

Tasks:

- 1. Apply health informatics tools and strategies for the management of health information
- 2. Analyze health information technology from both business and consumer engagement perspectives
- 3. Calculate and interpret statistics for health services and present the statistical information to stakeholders
- 4. Analyze healthcare findings with data visualizations
- 5. Compare research methodologies pertaining to healthcare
- 6. Manage data within a database management system to ensure data dictionaries and data sets are in compliance with government standards
- 7. Identify standards for exchange of health information including classification systems, clinical vocabularies, and nomenclatures, in support of the interoperability of systems

Domain 4: Revenue Cycle Management (15-17%)

Tasks:

- 1. Evaluate the assignment of diagnostic and procedural codes and groupings in accordance with official quidelines
- 2. Utilize classification systems, clinical vocabularies, and nomenclatures
- 3. Manage all components of the revenue cycle for efficiency and effectiveness
- 4. Evaluate compliance with regulatory requirements and reimbursement methodologies

Domain 5: Health Law and Compliance (14-19%)

Tasks:

- 1. Comply with legal processes impacting health information including the legal system, release of information, HIPAA, consent, and applicable state and federal laws
- 2. Evaluate compliance with external forces including state and federal laws
- 3. Analyze components of risk management as it relates to a health organization including general risk management methods and data security (e.g., root cause analysis and audit trail evaluation)
- 4. Analyze the impact of policy on health (e.g., impacts on disclosures, patient information, social determinants of health, and public health)

Domain 6: Organizational Management and Leadership (19-21%)

Tasks:

- 1. Examine fundamental leadership skills (e.g., leadership styles, problem solving, strategic planning, teamwork, and communication styles)
- 2. Assess the impact of organizational change (e.g., digital health tools and the impact on the organization) by utilizing the change management cycle and transformational leadership styles
- 3. Analyze human resource strategies for organizational best practices
- 4. Facilitate training needs for healthcare organizations
- 5. Evaluate data-driven performance improvement techniques for decision making (e.g., Six Sigma, Baldrige, critical path, patient safety)
- 6. Perform financial management processes (e.g., budgets, financial statements, accounting methods, costbenefit analysis, business plans, and strategy)
- 7. Examine behaviors that embrace cultural diversity and assess ethical standards of practice
- 8. Recommend project management methodologies to meet intended outcomes