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## South Suburban College Coding Specialist Program to Host February 29<sup>th</sup> Open House

OAK FOREST, IL—South Suburban College Department of Allied Health & Careers is hosting an Open House for the Coding Specialist Program on Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at the college's Oak Forest Center.

Coding Specialist is a three semester, 40 credit hour certificate program (including prerequisites) with excellent job potential. The program is one of only two in the State of Illinois approved by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA). Upon successful completion of the program the student will be eligible to sit for the following coding exams administered by the American Health Information Management Association: Certified Coding Specialist-Physician Based (CCS-P) and Certified Coding Specialist (CCS). Students also enjoy the benefit of a virtual internship and coding exam review during the final semester.

The Coding Specialist Open House is an excellent opportunity to speak to instructors who are experts in the field about a program that provides flexibility for traditional students and returning adults who are balancing career and family responsibilities. Courses are offered on nights and weekends three days per week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Saturdays. Class locations include both the Main Campus in South Holland and the Oak Forest Center.

New in 2019 are two annual entry points for admission into the Coding Specialist Program. Prospective students will need to complete four basic prerequisites before applying for acceptance by July 15<sup>th</sup> for Fall Semester and by December 15<sup>th</sup> for Spring.

The Open House will be located in Room 5230 at the Oak Forest Center – 16333 South Kilbourn Avenue, Oak Forest, Illinois 60452. Please contact the Allied Health & Career Programs Department at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2204 or email <a href="mailto:vebrooks@ssc.edu">vebrooks@ssc.edu</a>

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