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## Fact Sheet

### Health Information Management Technology Career Pathway

**Industry Sector Target:** Health

**Participating District:** Whitehall City Schools

**Industry Partners:** OhioHealth, Ohio Department of Education and Columbus State Community College

- This program will provide students with a path leading to a Medical Coding Certificate, as well as the option of continuing studies at the postsecondary level to obtain an associate degree in Health Information Management Technology.
- Upon completion of the Medical Coding Certificate, students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of human anatomy and terminology; review health records for completeness and accuracy; identify components of appropriate and adequate documentation of health care; code, classify and index diagnoses and procedures for the purpose of reimbursement, standardization, retrieval and statistical analysis; abstract data from patient records for administrative, reimbursement and research purposes; and demonstrate ethical practices as outlined in the American Health Information Management Association Code of Ethics.
- Students will have the opportunity to earn college credits as part of the partnership with Columbus State Community College and obtain Microsoft credentials at the high school level.
- Federal labor statistics indicate that the average salary for a certified Medical Coder in Ohio is \$44,816. Employment opportunities in the field are expected to increase by 22 percent between 2010 and 2020.
- Besides industry partners listed, other partners that are directly affiliated with this pathway are the Ohio Department of Education Career and Technical Education (Business and Administrative Services) and Columbus State Community College.