

AMWA CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The current AMWA certificates include Essential Skills and 4 specialty certificates: Business, Composition and Publication, Concepts in Science and Medicine, and Regulatory and Research. Earning a specialty certificate requires completion of an Essential Skills, Core, or Advanced AMWA certificate.

Successful completion of the test included with each module can earn credit needed to pursue an Essential Skills certificate or complete a Core certificate. However, a person must be enrolled in the Essential Skills certificate program to receive credit toward that certificate, or must have enrolled in the Core certificate program before January 31, 2010, to receive credit toward the Core certificate.

The AMWA self-study modules are based entirely on the workshops offered under the same names each year at AMWA's annual conference and at some AMWA chapter conferences.

Complete information can be found on AMWA's Web site (www.amwa.org) under Education/Certificates.

AMWA's next self-study module:

Tables and Graphs

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The Resource for Medical Communicators

ABOUT AMWA

The American Medical Writers Association (AMWA) serves more than 5,600 medical communicators. Founded in 1940, the association promotes excellence in medical communication and provides educational resources in support of that goal. Through an extensive educational program, authoritative publications, and unparalleled opportunities for networking, AMWA encourages and enables medical communicators to extend their professional expertise.

Whatever the career path, AMWA offers the tools needed to succeed in medical communication.

- Annually—AMWA's annual conference typically offers 37 open sessions, which are included in the registration fee, and 100 workshops. Most workshops are approved for credit toward an AMWA certificate; noncredit workshops are also offered. AMWA's workshops are appropriate for all medical communicators seeking to increase their knowledge and refresh their skills.
- Throughout the year—Workshops are also offered at chapter conferences. The complete schedule and contact information are included on AMWA's Web site (www.amwa.org) under Conferences and under Membership, Chapters.



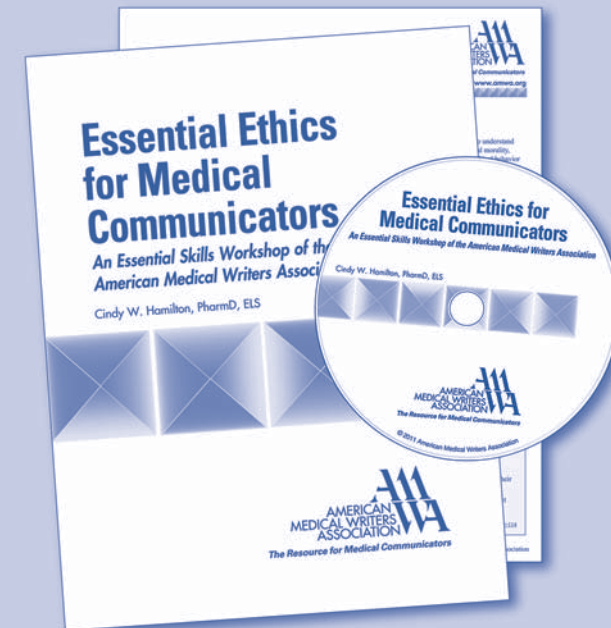
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**Introducing
AMWA's newest self-study
workshop module!**



**A course in the Education Program of
the American Medical Writers Association**

The mission of the American Medical Writers Association is to promote excellence in medical communication and to provide educational resources in support of that goal.

AMWA's self-study modules were created to further the association's ongoing education mission. They are designed for medical communicators at all levels of experience to help them achieve excellence in medical communication. The workbook, CD, and Quick Reference card included with each module will provide long-term value as reference guides.

The modules are also part of AMWA's certificate program—an extensive and highly valued continuing education program for professional communicators in the medical and allied scientific fields. Established in 1979, the program has been enhanced in subsequent years to reflect the changing environment in medical communication and was greatly expanded in 2009. Earning an AMWA certificate is considered part of a career path in the field and is required by some employers.

By successfully completing the final examination included with each workbook, the purchaser may earn 1 credit for each module (2 credits for the Basic Grammar module) toward an Essential Skills or a Core certificate. The Elements module and the Statistics module are applicable to an Essential Skills, a Core, or a Science Fundamentals certificate. Credits can only be applied once, to only 1 certificate.

More information about the certificate program and about AMWA's offerings in general can be found on our Web site: www.amwa.org.

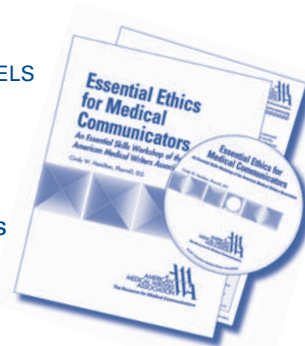
AMWA Member price: \$159 each
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AMWA's self-study workshop modules:

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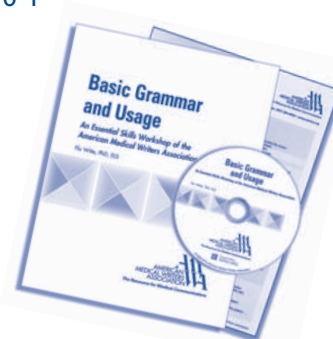
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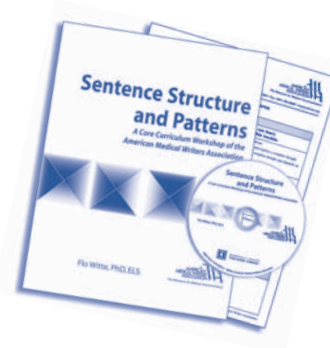
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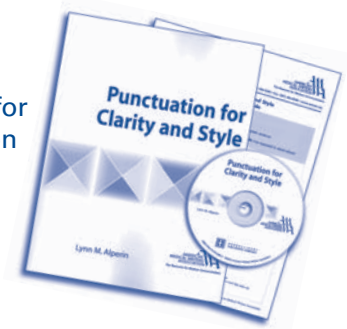
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- Measuring and describing variability in measurements and estimates
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