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Primary Care ICD-10-CM Coding Tip Sheet

Overview of Key Chapter Updates for Primary Care

(Primary care here includes Internal Medicine, Family Practice and General Practice)

Chapter 4: Endocrine, Nutritional, and Metabolic Diseases

- The diabetes mellitus codes are combination codes that include the type of diabetes mellitus, the body system affected, and the complications affecting that body system.
- As many codes within a particular category as are necessary to describe all of the complications of the disease may be used.
- In ICD-10-CM, there are 5 category codes for diabetes mellitus:
 - E08 – Diabetes mellitus due to underlying conditions
 - E09 – Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus
 - E10 – Type 1 diabetes mellitus
 - E11 – Type 2 diabetes mellitus
 - E13 – Other specified diabetes mellitus

Chapter 9: Diseases of the Circulatory System

- In ICD-10-CM there is only one code for Hypertension; “I10” defined as essential (primary) hypertension. There were 3 codes in ICD-9-CM.
- The time frame for assigning the acute MI code is 28 days in ICD-10-CM.

Chapter 10 Diseases of the Respiratory System

- ICD-10-CM divides asthma into the following subcategories:
 - Mild intermittent asthma
 - Mild persistent asthma
 - Moderate persistent asthma
 - Severe persistent asthma
 - Other and unspecified asthma (in ICD-9-CM, it is classified by type)

Chapter 13 of the Musculoskeletal System and Connective Tissue

- ICD-10-CM identifies 3 different causes for pathologic fractures:
 - Neoplastic disease
 - Osteoporosis
 - Other specified disease
- Some codes in this chapter require:
 - The 7th character that describes type of encounter, or the stage of the fracture’s healing process, and any residual effects or sequela from the fracture.

The next page provides examples of ICD-10 combination codes as well as codes involving laterality. The chart provides mappings from ICD-9 to ICD-10 for the top ten primary care codes.

(Source: 2014 Draft ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting)

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Examples of Common Primary Care Combination Codes

- E09.41 – Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with neurological complications with diabetic mononeuropathy
- E10.51 – Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic peripheral angiopathy without gangrene
- E11.321 – Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema

Examples of Primary Care Coding Laterality

- M54.40 – Lumbago with sciatica, **unspecified** side
- M54.41 – Lumbago with sciatica, **right** side
- M54.42 – Lumbago with sciatica, **left** side
- M25.561 – Pain in **right** knee
- M25.562 – Pain in **left** knee
- M25.569 – Pain in **unspecified** knee

The top ten primary care ICD-9 to ICD-10 mappings are found in the chart below.

Top 1-10	ICD-9	Description ICD-9	ICD-10	Description ICD-10
1	250.00	Diabetes mellitus without mention of complication, type II or unspecified type, not stated as uncontrolled	E11.9	Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications
			E13.9	Other specified diabetes mellitus without complications
2	724.2	Lumbago	M54.5	Low back pain
3	401.9	Unspecified essential hypertension	I10	Essential (primary) hypertension
4	786.50	Chest pain, unspecified	R07.9	Chest pain, unspecified
5	401.1	Benign essential hypertension	I10	Essential (primary) hypertension
6	272.4	Other and unspecified hyperlipidemia	E78.4	Other hyperlipidemia
			E78.5	Hyperlipidemia, unspecified
7	719.46	Pain in joint, lower leg	M25.561	Pain in right knee
			M25.562	Pain in left knee
			M25.569	Pain in unspecified knee
8	599.0	Urinary tract infection, site not specified	N39.0	Urinary tract infection, site not specified
9	780.79	Other malaise and fatigue	G93.3	Postviral fatigue syndrome
			R53.0	Neoplastic (malignant) related fatigue
			R53.1	Weakness
			R53.81	Other malaise
			R53.83	Other fatigue
10	462	Acute pharyngitis	J02.8	Acute pharyngitis due to other specified organisms
			J02.9	Acute pharyngitis, unspecified

The codes highlighted in orange indicate the individual ICD-9 code that is being mapped to one or many ICD-10 codes

(Source of ICD-9-CM to ICD-10-CM mappings: CMS.org General Equivalence Mappings (GEMs), 2014)

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