Child Health and Health Check Course

For Local Health Departments and Rural Health

Unit 1
Child Health, Health Check
Training Objectives

• Develop a general understanding of the coding guidelines for those chapters in ICD-10-CM that will be utilized by health department staff for coding encounters in Child Health and Health Check

• Demonstrate how to accurately assign ICD-10-CM codes using Child Health and Health Check scenarios

**NOTE:** Basic ICD-10-CM Coding training is a prerequisite for this course
Chapter 21
Factors influencing health status and contact with health services

Instructional Notes

• Code Range: Z00-Z99
  • Z codes represent reasons for encounters
  • CPT code must accompany Z codes if a procedure is performed
  • Provided for occasions when circumstances other than a disease, injury or external cause classifiable to categories A00-Y89 are recorded as ‘diagnoses’ or ‘problems’
    – This can arise in two main ways:
      • When a person who may or may not be sick encounters health services for some specific purpose
        – Examples: Encounter for routine child health examination
      • When some circumstance or problem is present which influences the person's health status but is not in itself a current illness or injury
        – Example: Body Mass Index
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• **Routine and administrative examinations**
  – Includes encounters for routine examinations and examinations for administrative purposes (e.g., a pre-school physical)
    • Do not use these codes if the examination is for diagnosis of a suspected condition or for treatment purposes; in such cases the diagnosis code is used
  – During a routine exam, any diagnosis or condition discovered during the exam should be coded as an additional code
  – Pre-existing and chronic conditions and history codes may be included as additional codes as long as the examination is for administrative purposes and not focused on any particular condition
  – Some codes for routine health examinations distinguish between “with” and “without” abnormal findings
    • Code assignment depends on the information that is known at the time the encounter is being coded
    • When assigning a code for “with abnormal findings,” additional code(s) should be assigned to identify the specific abnormal finding(s)
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• **Routine and administrative examinations**
  - Pre-operative examination and pre-procedural laboratory examination
  Z codes are for use only in those situations when a client is being cleared for a procedure or surgery and no treatment is given

• **Z codes/categories for routine and administrative examinations**
  - Z00 Encounter for general examination without complaint, suspected or reported diagnosis
  - Z01 Encounter for other special examination without complaint, suspected or reported diagnosis
  - Z02 Encounter for administrative examination
    • Except: Z02.9, Encounter for administrative examinations, unspecified
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• Contact/Exposure (Categories Z20 and Z77)
  – Category Z20 indicates contact with, and suspected exposure to, communicable diseases
    • Do not show any sign or symptom of a disease
    • Suspected to have been exposed to a disease by close personal contact with an infected individual or are in an area where a disease is epidemic
    • Z20.4 Contact with and (suspected) exposure to rubella
  – Category Z77 indicates contact with and suspected exposures hazardous to health
    • Z77.011 Contact with and (suspected) exposure to lead
  – Contact/exposure codes may be used as a first-listed code to explain an encounter for testing, or, more commonly, as a secondary code to identify a potential risk
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• **Status Z code Z68 Body mass index (BMI)**
  – Secondary/additional diagnosis only
  – BMI can be assigned and documented by clinicians other than the physician or other qualified healthcare provider
    • e.g., nurse, dietician
  – Diagnoses such as overweight, obesity, underweight must be documented by the client’s provider
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- **Screening**
  - Testing for disease or disease precursors in seemingly well individuals so early detection and treatment can be provided for those who test positive for the disease (*Z13.4: Encounter for screening for certain developmental disorders in childhood*)
  - Screening code may be a first-listed code if the reason for the visit is specifically the screening exam
    - Should a condition be discovered during the screening then the code for the condition may be assigned as an additional diagnosis
  - Screening code may also be used as an additional code if the screening is done during an office visit for other health problems
  - Screening code is not necessary if the screening is inherent to a routine examination
  - In addition to the Z code, a procedure code is required to confirm that the screening was performed
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• Observation
  – Two observation Z code categories:
    • Z03 Encounter for medical observation for suspected diseases and conditions ruled out
    • Z04 Encounter for examination and observation for other reasons
      – Except: Z04.72, Encounter for examination and observation following alleged child physical abuse
  – Used in very limited circumstances
    • Person is observed for suspected condition that is ruled out
    • Administrative and legal observation status
  – Observation codes are not for use if an injury or illness or any signs or symptoms related to the suspected condition are present
    • In such cases, the diagnosis/symptom code is used
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• **Follow-up**
  – Codes used to explain continuing surveillance following completed treatment of a disease, condition, or injury
    • They imply that the condition has been fully treated and no longer exists
    • Not aftercare codes, or injury codes with a 7th character for subsequent encounter, that explain ongoing care of a healing condition or its sequelae
  – Follow-up codes may be used in conjunction with history codes to provide the full picture of the healed condition and its treatment
    » Follow-up code is sequenced first, followed by the history code
    » Follow up exam for bad ear infection, treatment complete (Z09)
    » History of diseases of the sense organs (Z86.69)
  – A follow-up code may be used to explain multiple visits
  – Should a condition be found to have recurred on the follow-up visit, then the diagnosis code for the condition should be assigned in place of the follow-up code
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2. If a child is delinquent on his/her immunizations, use Status code Z28.3, Underimmunization status

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Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases
Diabetes Mellitus

• **Code Range: E00-E89**
  • Instead of a single category as in ICD-9-CM, there are 5 categories
    – E08 – Diabetes Mellitus due to underlying condition
    – E09 – Drug or chemical induced Diabetes Mellitus
    – E10 – Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus
    – E11 – Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus
    – E13 – Other specified Diabetes Mellitus

• The diabetes mellitus codes are combination codes that include:
  – type of diabetes mellitus
  – body system affected
  – complications affecting that body system
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• For Diabetes Mellitus codes:
  – 4th Character = underlying conditions with specified complications
  – 5th Character = specific manifestations
  – 6th Character = even further manifestations

• As many codes within a particular category as are necessary to describe all of the complications of the disease may be used

• Most Type 1 diabetics develop the condition before reaching puberty but age is not the sole determining factor

• All of the categories, except E10, have an instructional note to use an additional code for any long term insulin use (Z79.4)

• If the Type is not documented, the default is E11., Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus
• Complications due to insulin pump malfunction
  – Underdose of insulin due to insulin pump failure
    • Assign first-listed code from subcategory T85.6, Mechanical complication of other specified internal and external prosthetic devices, implants and grafts
    • Secondary code is T38.3x6-, Underdosing of insulin and oral hypoglycemic [antidiabetic] drugs
    • Also assign additional codes for the type of Diabetes and any associated complications due to the underdosing
  – Overdose of insulin due to insulin pump failure
    • Assign first-listed code from subcategory T85.6, Mechanical complication of other specified internal and external prosthetic devices, implants and grafts
    • Secondary code is T38.3x1-, Poisoning by insulin and oral hypoglycemic [antidiabetic] drugs, accidental (unintentional)
    • Also assign additional codes for the type of Diabetes and any associated complications due to the overdosing
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• Secondary Diabetes Mellitus
  – Secondary codes are in categories
    • E08, Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition
    • E09, Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus
    • E13, Other specified diabetes mellitus
  – Always caused by another condition or event (e.g., cystic fibrosis, malignant neoplasm of pancreas, adverse effect of drug, or poisoning)
  – Follow Tabular List instructions to determine sequencing of codes
  – If diabetes mellitus is due to the surgical removal of all or part of the pancreas (postpancreatectomy)
    • Assign code E89.1, Postprocedural hypoinsulinemia as first-listed
    • Assign secondary code from category E13, Other specified Diabetes Mellitus
    • Assign secondary code from subcategory Z90.41-, Acquired absence of pancreas
    • Assign secondary code for long term insulin use, Z79.4
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Documentation Differences

• Diabetes Mellitus
  – Controlled and Uncontrolled are no longer a factor in code selection
    • Uncontrolled is coded to Diabetes, by type, with hyperglycemia
      – E10.65 Type 1 diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia
• More specific information is needed to assign codes in Chapter 4
  – Metabolic disorders require greater detail related to specific amino acid, carbohydrate, or lipid enzyme deficiency responsible for the metabolic disorder
  – Cushing’s syndrome is now differentiated by type and cause
  – More specific information is required to code disorders of the parathyroid gland
  – Vitamins, mineral, and other nutritional deficiencies require more information on the specific vitamin(s) and mineral(s)
• Obesity codes are expanded

**E66**  Overweight and obesity
- **Code first**: obesity complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium, if applicable (O99.21-)
- **Use additional**: code to identify body mass index (BMI), if known (Z68.-)

**Excludes1**: adiposogenital dystrophy (E23.6)
  - lipomatosis NOS (E88.2)
  - lipomatosis dolorosa [Dercum] (E88.2)
  - Prader-Willi syndrome (Q87.1)

**E66.0**  Obesity due to excess calories
- **E66.01**  **Morbid (severe) obesity due to excess calories**
- **Excludes1**: morbid (severe) obesity with alveolar hypoventilation (E66.2)
- **E66.09**  **Other obesity due to excess calories**

**Body mass index [BMI] (Z68)**

**Z68**  **Body mass index [BMI]**
- **Kilograms per meters squared**
  - **Note**: BMI adult codes are for use for persons 21 years of age or older
  - BMI pediatric codes are for use for persons 2-20 years of age. These percentiles are based on the growth charts published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

**Z68.1**  **Body mass index (BMI) 19 or less, adult**

**Z68.2**  **Body mass index (BMI) 20-29, adult**
- **Z68.20**  **Body mass index (BMI) 20.0-20.9, adult**
- **Z68.21**  **Body mass index (BMI) 21.0-21.9, adult**
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Diseases of the Nervous System

- **Code Range: G00-G99**

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- Dominant/nondominant side
  - Codes from category G81, Hemiplegia and hemiparesis, and subcategories, G83.1, Monoplegia of lower limb, G83.2, Monoplegia of upper limb, and G83.3, Monoplegia, unspecified, identify whether the dominant or nondominant side is affected
  - Should the affected side be documented, but not specified as dominant or nondominant, and the classification system does not indicate a default, code selection is as follows:
    - For ambidextrous patients, the default should be dominant
    - If the left side is affected, the default is non-dominant
    - If the right side is affected, the default is dominant
• **Pain - Category G89**
  
  – May be used in conjunction with codes from other categories and chapters to provide more detail about acute or chronic pain and neoplasm-related pain, unless otherwise indicated
  
  – If the pain is not specified as acute or chronic, post-thoracotomy, postprocedural, or neoplasm-related, do not assign codes from category G89
  
  – A code from category G89 should **not** be assigned if the underlying (definitive) diagnosis is known (except for neoplasms), unless the reason for the encounter is pain control/management and not management of the underlying condition
  
  • If pain control/management is reason for the encounter, G89 codes would be first-listed and underlying cause would be additional diagnosis
  
  – If there is not a definitive diagnosis and the encounter is not for pain control/management, site-specific pain will be first-listed
• **Pain ~ Category G89 (cont’d)**
  – Chronic pain is classified to subcategory G89.2
    • No time frame defining when pain becomes chronic pain
  – Central pain syndrome (G89.0) and chronic pain syndrome (G89.4)
    • Different than the term “chronic pain”
    • Pain syndrome codes should only be used when the clinician has specifically documented this condition
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• **Migraine (G43)**
  – 32 available codes
  – Documentation must include the following when appropriate
    • Intractable (pharmacologically resistant, treatment resistant, refractory and poorly controlled)
    • Not intractable
    • With status migrainosus (lasts more than 24 hrs) or without status migrainosus
    • With vomiting
    • Ophthalmoplegic
    • Menstrual
    • With or without aura
    • Hemiplegic
    • With or without cerebral infarction
    • Periodic
    • Abdominal
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Epilepsy

• Epilepsy and Recurrent Seizures (G40)
  – Code descriptions include:
    • Intractable (pharmacologically resistant, treatment resistant, refractory and poorly controlled) or not intractable
    • With status epilepticus (serious medical condition where prolonged or clustered seizures develop into non-stop seizures) or without status epilepticus
    • Documentation must address both of these
  – Examples:
    • G40.B01 Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy, not intractable, with status epilepticus
    • G40.B09 Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy, not intractable, without status epilepticus
    • G40.B11 Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy, intractable, with status epilepticus
    • G40.B19 Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy, intractable, without status epilepticus
## Chapter 7
### Diseases of the eye and adnexa

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**H72 Perforation of tympanic membrane**

**Includes:** persistent post-traumatic perforation of ear drum
postinflammatory perforation of ear drum

**Code first** any associated otitis media (H65.-, H66.1-, H66.2-, H66.3-, H66.4-, H66.9-, H67.-)

**Excludes1:** acute suppurative otitis media with rupture of the tympanic membrane (H66.01-)
traumatic rupture of ear drum (S09.2-).
H62 Disorders of external ear in diseases classified elsewhere
  H62.4 Otitis externa in other diseases classified elsewhere
    Code first underlying disease, such as:
      erysipelas (A46)
      impetigo (L01.0)
  Excludes1: otitis externa (in):
    candidiasis (B37.84)
    herpes viral [herpes simplex] (B00.1)
    herpes zoster (B02.8)
  H62.40 Otitis externa in other diseases classified elsewhere, unspecified ear
  H62.41 Otitis externa in other diseases classified elsewhere, right ear
  H62.42 Otitis externa in other diseases classified elsewhere, left ear
  H62.43 Otitis externa in other diseases classified elsewhere, bilateral

H65 Nonsuppurative otitis media
  Includes: nonsuppurative otitis media with myringitis
  Use additional code for any associated perforated tympanic membrane (H72.-)
  Use additional code to identify:
    exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (Z77.22)
    exposure to tobacco smoke in the perinatal period (P96.81)
    history of tobacco use (Z87.891)
    occupational exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (Z57.31)
    tobacco dependence (F17.-)
    tobacco use (Z72.0)
  H65.0 Acute serous otitis media
    Acute and subacute secretory otitis
    H65.00 Acute serous otitis media, unspecified ear
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Diseases of the circulatory system

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Coding Guidelines

• Hypertension no longer classified by type
• Additional code for any tobacco use of exposure

Hypertensive diseases (I10-I15)

Use additional code to identify:
- exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (Z77.22)
- history of tobacco use (Z87.891)
- occupational exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (Z57.31)
- tobacco dependence (F17.-)
- tobacco use (Z72.0)

Excludes1: hypertensive disease complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (O10-O11, O13-O16)
- neonatal hypertension (P29.2)
- primary pulmonary hypertension (I27.0)

I10  Essential (primary) hypertension

Includes: high blood pressure
- hypertension (arterial) (benign) (essential) (malignant) (primary) (systemic)

Excludes1: hypertensive disease complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (O10-O11, O13-O16)
Excludes2: essential (primary) hypertension involving vessels of brain (I60-I69)
- essential (primary) hypertension involving vessels of eye (H35.0-)

• **Hypertension, Secondary**
  - Secondary hypertension is due to an underlying condition
  - Two codes are required
    - Underlying etiology
    - Code from category I15 to identify the hypertension
    - Sequencing of codes is determined by reason for admission/encounter

• **Hypertension, Transient**
  - Assign code R03.0, Elevated blood pressure reading without diagnosis of hypertension, unless patient has an established diagnosis of hypertension
  - Assign code O13.-, Gestational hypertension without significant proteinuria, or O14.-, Pre-eclampsia, for transient hypertension of pregnancy

• **Hypertension – controlled or uncontrolled**
  - Assign appropriate code from categories I10-I15
# Chapter 10
Diseases of the respiratory system

Instructions/Content

- **Code Range: J00-J99**
  - When a respiratory condition is described as occurring in more than one site and is not specifically indexed, it should be classified to the lower anatomic site (e.g. tracheobronchitis to bronchitis in J40)
  - Use additional code, where applicable, to identify tobacco use or exposure

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Diseases of the respiratory system
Coding Guidelines

• **Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease [COPD] and Asthma**
  – Codes in categories J44 and J45 distinguish between uncomplicated cases and those in acute exacerbation
    • Acute exacerbation is a worsening or a decompensation of a chronic condition
    • Acute exacerbation is not equivalent to an infection superimposed on a chronic condition, though an exacerbation may be triggered by an infection
  – Asthma terminology is updated to reflect current clinical classification of asthma
    • Mild intermittent
    • Mild persistent
    • Moderate persistent
    • Severe persistent
  – Intrinsic (nonallergic) and extrinsic (allergic) asthma are both classified to J45.909 – Unspecified asthma, uncomplicated
## Presentation of Asthma before (without) Treatment

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| Severe persistent      | • Continual symptoms  
                       • Limited physical activity  
                       • Frequent exacerbations | Frequent           | • FEV₁ or PEF ≤ 60% predicted  
                       • PEF variability > 30% |
| Moderate persistent    | • Daily symptoms  
                       • Daily use of inhaled short-acting beta₂-agonist  
                       • Exacerbation of affect activity  
                       • Exacerbation ≥ 2 times/week ≥ 1 day(s) | > 1 time/week      | • FEV₁ or PEF 60-80% predicted  
                       • PEF variability > 30% |
| Mild persistent        | • Symptoms > 2 times/week but < 1 time/day  
                       • Exacerbation may affect activity | > 2 times/month    | • FEV₁ or PEF ≥ 80% predicted  
                       • PEF variability 20-30% |
| Mild intermittent      | • Symptoms ≤ 2 times/week  
                       • Asymptomatic and normal PEF between exacerbations  
                       • Exacerbations of varying intensity are brief (a few hours to a few days) | ≤ 2 times/month    | • FEV₁ or PEF ≥ 80% predicted  
                       • PEF variability < 20% |

FEV₁ = The maximal amount of air a person can forcefully exhale over one second accounting for the variables of height, weight, and race used to denote the degree of obstruction with asthma  
PEF= Peak Expiratory Flow is the maximum flow of expelled air during expiration following full inspiration (big breath in and then big breath out)  
Source: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute - [http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/asthma/asthgdln.htm](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/asthma/asthgdln.htm)
• **Influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses**
  - Code only confirmed cases of influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses (category J09), and due to other identified influenza virus (category J10)
    - “Confirmation” does not require documentation of positive laboratory testing specific for avian or other novel influenza A or other identified influenza virus
    - Coding may be based on the provider’s diagnostic statement that the client has avian influenza, or other novel influenza A, for category J09, or has another particular identified strain of influenza, such as H1N1 or H3N2, but not identified as novel or variant, for category J10
  - If the provider records “suspected” or “possible” or “probable” avian influenza, or novel influenza, or other identified influenza
    - Use the appropriate influenza code from category J11, Influenza due to unidentified influenza virus
    - Do Not assign codes from category J09 or J10
Chapter 13
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue
Content

- **Code Range: M00-M99**

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Coding Guidelines

• **External Cause of Injury**

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  Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (M00-M99)

  **Note:** Use an external cause code following the code for the musculoskeletal condition, if applicable, to identify the cause of the musculoskeletal condition

• **Site and laterality**
  
  – Most codes within Chapter 13 have site and laterality designations

    • Site represents the bone, joint or the muscle involved.

    • For some conditions where more than one bone, joint or muscle is usually involved, such as osteoarthritis, there is a “multiple sites” code available

      – For categories where no multiple site code is provided and more than one bone, joint or muscle is involved, multiple codes should be used to indicate the different sites involved

    – Bone versus joint

      • For certain conditions, the bone may be affected at the upper or lower end, (e.g., avascular necrosis of bone, M87, Osteoporosis, M80, M81)

      • Though the portion of the bone affected may be at the joint, the site designation will be the bone, not the joint
Chapter 13
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Coding Guidelines

• Acute traumatic versus chronic or recurrent musculoskeletal conditions
  – Many musculoskeletal conditions are a result of previous injury or trauma to a site, or are recurrent conditions
    • Chronic or recurrent conditions should generally be coded with a code from chapter 13
  – Any current, acute injury should be coded to the appropriate injury code from chapter 19

• Pathologic Fractures

The appropriate 7th character is to be added to each code from subcategory M84.3:
A - initial encounter for fracture
D - subsequent encounter for fracture with routine healing
G - subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing
K - subsequent encounter for fracture with nonunion
P - subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion
S - sequela
1. If the clinician suspects influenza but cannot confirm the type, use codes in category J11
2. Benign and malignant hypertension are the same code – I10
3. There is not a specific code for acute recurrent sinusitis
4. Intrinsic asthma and Extrinsic asthma have different codes
5. Laboratory results are required before a clinician can confirm the type of flu
Scenario 1: Mother of 8 year old male states he has had a bad cough and diarrhea for two days. Dx: Intestinal flu; Acute URI

Scenario 2: 5 year old male diagnosed with severe persistent asthma with acute exacerbation

Scenario 3: 10 year old female is seen for cough, fever, body aches, sinus pressure. Diagnosis: Upper respiratory infection due to novel influenza A virus and acute frontal sinusitis
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Chapter 16
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period
Instructional Notes

• **Code Range: P00-P96**

**Note:** Codes from this chapter are for use on newborn records only
  – *Never* on maternal records

**Includes:** conditions that have their origin in the fetal or perinatal period (before birth through the first 28 days after birth) even if morbidity occurs later
  – If a condition originates in the perinatal period and continues throughout the life of the client, the perinatal code should continue to be used regardless of client’s age

**Excludes2:** congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities (Q00-Q99)
endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases (E00-E88)
injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88)
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tetanus neonatorum (A33)
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Coding Guidelines

• Codes from other Chapters with Codes from Chapter 16
  – Codes from other chapters may be used with codes from chapter 16 if the codes from the other chapters provide more specific detail
  – Codes for signs and symptoms may be assigned when a definitive diagnosis has not been established
  – If the reason for the encounter is a perinatal condition, the code from chapter 16 should be first-listed

• Coding Additional Perinatal Diagnoses
  – Assign codes for conditions that require treatment or further investigation or require resource utilization
  – Assign codes for conditions that have been specified by the provider as having implications for future health care needs
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• Newborn has a condition that may be either due to the birth process or community acquired
  – If the documentation does not indicate which it is, the default is due to the birth process and the code from Chapter 16 should be used
  – If the condition is community-acquired, a code from Chapter 16 should not be assigned

• Bacterial Sepsis of Newborn
  – Category **P36, Bacterial sepsis of newborn**, includes congenital sepsis
  – Refer to chapter-specific coding guidelines for additional guidance
Code all clinically significant conditions noted on routine newborn examination

- A condition is clinically significant if it requires:
  - clinical evaluation; or
  - therapeutic treatment; or
  - diagnostic procedures; or
  - extended length of hospital stay; or
  - increased nursing care and/or monitoring; or
  - has implications for future health care needs

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Coding Guidelines
• Prematurity and Fetal Growth Retardation
  – Providers utilize different criteria in determining prematurity
    • A code for prematurity should not be assigned unless it is documented
  – Assignment of codes in categories P05, Disorders of newborn related to slow fetal growth and fetal malnutrition, and P07, Disorders of newborn related to short gestation and low birth weight, not elsewhere classified, should be based on the recorded birth weight and estimated gestational age
    • Codes from category P05 should not be assigned with codes from category P07
    • Exception: A code from P05 and codes from P07.2 and P07.3 may be used to specify weeks of gestation as documented by the provider in the record
  – When both birth weight and gestational age are available:
    • Two codes from category P07 should be assigned
    • Sequence the code for birth weight before the code for gestational age
Chapter 16
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period
Coding Guidelines

• Low birth weight and immaturity status
  – Codes from category P07, Disorders of newborn related to short gestation and low birth weight, not elsewhere classified
  • Can be used for a child or adult who:
    – was premature or had a low birth weight as a newborn, and
    – this is affecting the client’s current health status

• Observation and Evaluation of Newborns for Suspected Conditions not Found
  – Assign a code from categories P00-P04, Newborn affected by maternal factors and by complications of pregnancy, labor, and delivery to identify those instances when a healthy newborn is evaluated for a suspected condition that is determined after study not to be present
  – Do not use a code from categories P00-P04 when the patient has identified signs or symptoms of a suspected problem
Chapter 17
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities
Instructional Notes and Content

- **Code Range:** Q00-Q99

**Note:** Codes from this chapter are not for use on maternal or fetal records

**Excludes2:** inborn errors of metabolism (E70-E88)

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Chapter 17
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities
Coding Guidelines

• Assign codes from Chapter 17 when a malformation/deformation or chromosomal abnormality is documented
  – Chapter 17 codes may be first-listed or a secondary diagnosis
  – Chapter 17 codes can be used throughout life of client
  – If a congenital malformation or deformity has been corrected, use a personal history code instead of Chapter 17 code

• When a malformation/deformation/or chromosomal abnormality does not have a unique code assignment, assign additional code(s) for any manifestations that may be present

• When the code assignment specifically identifies the malformation/deformation/or chromosomal abnormality, manifestations that are an inherent component of the anomaly should not be coded separately
  – Additional codes should be assigned for manifestations that are not an inherent component
Chapter 18
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified

Instructional Notes

• Chapter 18 includes symptoms, signs, abnormal results of clinical or other investigative procedures, and ill-defined conditions regarding which no diagnosis classifiable elsewhere is recorded

• **Code Range: R00-R94** The conditions and signs or symptoms included in this code range consist of:
  
  – cases for which no more specific diagnosis can be made even after all the facts bearing on the case have been investigated
  
  – signs or symptoms existing at the time of initial encounter that proved to be transient and whose causes could not be determined
  
  – provisional diagnosis in a patient who failed to return for further investigation or care
  
  – cases referred elsewhere for investigation or treatment before the diagnosis was made
  
  – cases in which a more precise diagnosis was not available for any other reason
  
  – certain symptoms, for which supplementary information is provided, that represent important problems in medical care in their own right
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Content

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• Specific diagnosis codes should be reported when they are supported by:
  – medical record documentation, and
  – clinical knowledge of the patient’s health condition
• Codes for signs/symptoms have acceptable, even necessary, uses
  – There are instances when signs/symptom codes are the best choice for accurately reflecting a health care encounter
  – If a definitive diagnosis has not been established by the end of the encounter, it is appropriate to report codes for sign(s) and/or symptom(s) in lieu of a definitive diagnosis
• Each health care encounter should be coded to the level of certainty known for that encounter
### Chapter 19
Injury, poisoning, and certain other consequences of external causes

#### Content

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Coding Guidelines

• Adverse Effects, Poisoning, Underdosing and Toxic Effects
  – Codes in categories T36-T65 are combination codes that include the substance that was taken as well as the intent
  – **Do not** code directly from the Table of Drugs and Chemicals. The Alphabetic Index will direct you to the Table of Drugs and Chemicals and then always refer back to the Tabular List
    • From the Tabular, look at the instructional notes at the beginning of the code block as well as the beginning of each category
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• Adverse Effects, Poisoning, Underdosing and Toxic Effects (cont’d)
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      – assign the appropriate code for the nature of the adverse effect
        » Examples: Tachycardia, delirium, vomiting
      – followed by the appropriate code for the adverse effect of the drug (T36-T50)
    • **Poisoning** - When coding a poisoning or reaction to the improper use of a medication (e.g., overdose, wrong substance given or taken in error, wrong route of administration)
      – First assign the appropriate code from categories T36-T50
        » The poisoning codes have an associated intent as their 5th or 6th character (accidental, intentional self-harm, assault and undetermined)
      – Use additional code(s) for all manifestations of poisonings
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  - Taking less of a medication than is prescribed by a provider or a manufacturer’s instruction
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    - Example: **T38.2X6 - Underdosing of antithyroid drugs**
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  - Noncompliance (Z91.12-, Z91.13-) or complication of care (Y63.8-Y63.9) codes are to be used with an underdosing code to indicate intent, if known

**Z91.130** Patient’s unintentional underdosing of medication regimen due to age-related debility

**Y63.8** Failure in dosage during other surgical and medical care
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Unit 5

Specialized ICD-10-CM Coding Training
1. When a combination code that identifies both the definitive diagnosis and common symptoms of that diagnosis, code the symptoms

**Answer:** False (do not code symptoms that commonly occur with a definitive diagnosis and especially don’t code them if they are included in a combination code)

2. When both birth weight and gestational age are available code one or the other but not both

**Answer:** False (When both birth weight and gestational age are available: Two codes from category P07 should be assigned. Sequence the code for birth weight before the code for gestational age. NOTE: There are codes related to light for gestational age and small for gestational age. Light refers to the infant’s weight while small refers to the infant’s size (including head, body & weight))

3. Codes for signs and symptoms are not reported in addition to a related definitive diagnosis

**Answer:** False (Codes for signs and symptoms may be reported in addition to a related definitive diagnosis – When the sign or symptom is not routinely associated with that diagnosis, such as the various signs and symptoms associated with complex syndromes; The definitive diagnosis code should be sequenced before the symptom code)
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**Answer:** R42 Dizziness and giddiness; J45.909 Unspecified asthma, uncomplicated (with more specificity, could code to higher level); R11.0 Nausea; T49.1x5A Adverse effect of antipruritics; T48.6x5A Adverse effect of antiasthmatics (NOTE: Advair = fluticasone and salmeterol) so both chemical names are used in Table of Drugs and Chemicals. If you can’t find your drug in the Table, go to internet and look up the generic name or chemical name.) At beginning of Block T36-T50, there is a note: Code first, for adverse effects, the nature of the adverse effect.

Scenario 2: An 8 year old comes in for WCC and it is suspected that he has been sexually abused. Social Services is notified.

**Answer:** Z00.121 Encounter for routine child health examination with abnormal findings; T76.22xA Child sexual abuse, suspected, initial encounter.
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   **Answer:** True  (Covered in Basic training)

2. If a child is delinquent on his/her immunizations, use Status code Z28.3, Underimmunization status

   **Answer:** True  (Z28.3, Underimmunization status includes delinquent or lapsed immunization schedule status. Covered in Basic training)

3. Whenever a Z code is used, a CPT code is not needed

   **Answer:** False  (Z codes will be a diagnostic code but there must also be at least one CPT procedure code (or an LU code)}
4. Testing of a person to rule out or confirm a suspected diagnosis because the person has some sign or symptom is a screening

**Answer:** False  (Testing of a person to rule out or confirm a suspected diagnosis because the person has some sign or symptom is a **diagnostic examination**, not a screening. In these cases, the **sign or symptom** is used to explain the reason for the test.)

5. Follow up codes are used when treatment for a disease, condition or injury is still ongoing

**Answer:** False  (Follow up codes are used when treatment for a disease, condition or injury is **complete** and it may be used to explain multiple visits.)
**Scenario 1:** A 7 year old male is seen in clinic for his well child care visit. Mother states his older brother is being treated for ADHD and she thinks this child may have ADHD. Examination findings are normal. The child is delinquent on DTaP, IPV, MMR and VAR immunizations so those were administered.

**Answer:** Z00.129 Encounter for routine child health examination without abnormal findings. Z81.8 Family history of other mental and behavioral disorders; Z28.3 Underimmunization status; Z23 Encounter for immunization (Note: If there had been documentation that the child was screened for ADHD, could have coded Z13.89, Encounter for screening for other disorder)

**Scenario 2:** Medical examination of 4 year old child for admission to preschool

**Answer:** Z02.0 Encounter for examination for admission to educational institution (ICD-10-CM provides much more specificity for administrative examinations)
1. Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus is the default if Type is not documented
   **Answer: True**

2. Code Z79.4, Long-term (current) use of insulin, is always used for all 5 categories of Diabetes Mellitus
   **Answer: False** (Do not use for Type 1 Diabetes since use is implied by type; for other 4 categories, only use if client uses insulin long-term)

3. If Obesity is coded, the BMI must always be coded as well
   **Answer: True or False** (Use additional code, if known. BEST PRACTICE: BMI should be documented and coded)

4. Most codes in Chapter 7, Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa, include anatomic site and/or laterality
   **Answer: True**

5. A diagnosis of “Otitis Media” will surely be paid by Medicaid, no questions asked
   **Answer: False** (at a minimum must specify type of otitis media and laterality)
**Scenario:** 13 year old obese female with secondary diabetes mellitus due to acute idiopathic pancreatitis. She has been on insulin for 3 years and today her blood sugar is 300. Height – 5’0”; Weight – 190 lbs

**Answer:** K85.0 Pancreatitis (in tabular under E08-E13, it says to code first underlying condition); E08.65 DM due to underlying condition with hyperglycemia; Z79.4 long term insulin use; E66.9 Obesity, unspecified; BMI Code Z68.54
Child Health and Health Check
Unit 2 - Coding Exercises

• Code the following:
  – *Juvenile absence epilepsy, not intractable, with status epilepticus*

  **Answer:** G40.A01 Juvenile absence epilepsy, not intractable, with status epilepticus

  – *Ear Infection*

  **Answer:** Not enough information to code – need to know the type of ear infection. Even if you assume Otitis Media, the only code you can use is H66.90, Otitis media, unspecified, unspecified ear. However documentation will not support that dx

  – *Acute conjunctivitis, right eye; and chronic conjunctivitis, both eyes*

  **Answer:** H10.31 Unspecified acute conjunctivitis, right eye; H10.403 Unspecified chronic conjunctivitis, bilateral (Documentation needs to be more specific to code to higher level of specificity – e.g., follicular, giant papillary, simple
1. If the clinician suspects influenza but cannot confirm the type, use codes in category J11
   **Answer:** True

2. Benign and malignant hypertension are the same code – I10
   **Answer:** True

3. There is not a specific code for acute recurrent sinusitis
   **Answer:** False (In ICD-9-CM, there was no specific code for acute recurrent sinusitis – a condition I am sure many of you have. In ICD-10-CM, there are multiple codes for this in category J01)

4. Intrinsic asthma and Extrinsic asthma have different codes
   **Answer:** False (Asthma terminology has been updated to reflect the current clinical classification of asthma. Clinicians no longer have to categorize asthma as intrinsic and extrinsic – they are both coded to J45.909)
5. Laboratory results are required before a clinician can confirm the type of flu

Answer: False (Only confirmed cases of influenza due to identified viruses should be coded from categories J09 and J10. Confirmation does not mean you have to have lab results – the clinician’s documentation is sufficient. If the clinician confirms influenza but cannot confirm the type, use codes in category J11)
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Unit 3 - Coding Exercises

• **Scenario 1:** *Mother of 8 year old male states he has had a bad cough and diarrhea for two days. Dx: Intestinal flu; Acute URI*

  **Answer:** A08.4 – Intestinal flu; J06.9 - Acute URI

• **Scenario 2:** *5 year old male diagnosed with severe persistent asthma with acute exacerbation*

  **Answer:** J45.51 Severe persistent asthma with acute exacerbation
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