2021 ICD-10-CM CODING UPDATES
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INTRODUCTION

- The 2021 ICD-10-CM Update includes
  - 490 New Codes
  - 47 Revised codes
  - 58 Deleted codes
TIMEFRAME FOR USE

- These 2021 ICD-10-CM codes from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021

* The 2021 codes will be effective for claims with "From" dates on or after October 1, 2020.
ICD-10-CM OFFICIAL GUIDELINES

- The guidelines are rules to accompany the conventions and instructions within the ICD-10-CM
- Instructions and conventions take precedence over guidelines
- Guidelines are based on the coding and sequencing instructions in the Tabular List and Alphabetic Index, and they provide additional instruction
- Adherence to the guidelines is required under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
- The diagnosis codes have been adopted under HIPAA for all healthcare settings
ICD-10-CM OFFICIAL GUIDELINES

- A joint effort between the physician and the coder is essential for complete and accurate documentation and code assignment
- Consistent, complete documentation in the medical record is crucial
- Without this documentation coding will not be accurate
- The entire record should be reviewed to determine the reason for the encounter and the conditions being treated
CODING GUIDELINES – EXCLUDES 1 & 2 NOTES

- Excludes 1 is a pure excludes note and means "NOT CODED HERE".
- An exception to an Excludes 1 definition is the circumstance when the two conditions are *unrelated to each other*.

- Excludes 2 note represents "Not included here."
- An excludes 2 note indicates that the condition excluded is not part of the condition represented by the code, but a patient may have both conditions at the same time.
- When an excludes 2 note appears under a code it is acceptable to use both the code and the excluded code together when appropriate.
CHAPTER 1- CERTAIN INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES

- **A84.8** - Other tick borne-viral encephalitis, is expanded to include 2 more specific codes
  - Louping ill
  - Powassan Virus Disease
  - The more specific codes are:
    - **A84.81** - Powassan Virus Disease
    - **A84.89** - Other tick-borne viral encephalitis
CHAPTER 1- CERTAIN INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES

- B34.2 Coronavirus infection, unspecified
  - New Excludes 1: COVID-19 (U07.1)

We will discuss U07.1 in detail when we get to chapter 22
CHAPTER 1- CERTAIN INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES

- Helmanthiases
- The B60.0 code for Babesiosis is expanded to include with specific types of Babesiosis below:
  - B60.00 - Babesiosis, unspecified
  - B60.01 - Babesiosis due to Babesia microti
  - B60.02 - Babesiosis due to Babesia duncani
  - B60.03 - Babesiosis due to Babesia divergens
  - B60.09 - Other babesiosis
CHAPTER 2 - NEOPLASMS

NO CHANGES!
D55.2 Anemia due to disorders of glycolytic enzymes
  • Excludes 1:
    • Revise from: disorders of glycolysis not associated with anemia (E74.8)
    • Revise to: disorders of glycolysis not associates with anemia (E74.81-)
Sickle Cell coding changes

There are 4 New codes in the D57- Sickle Cell Disorders category:

- D57.03 - Hb-SS disease with cerebral vascular involvement
- D57.09 - Hb-SS disease with crisis with other specified complication
- D57.213 - Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with cerebral vascular involvement
- D57.218 - Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with crisis with other specified complication

There were previously no codes for cerebral vascular problems related to sickle cell.
## CHAPTER 3 - DISEASES OF BLOOD & BLOOD FORMING ORGANS & IMMUNE SYSTEM

Several New more specific codes were added to categories **D57.4**-thalassemia disorders and **D57.8**- other sickle cell disorders:

- **D57.413** - Sickle-cell thalassemia, unspecified, with cerebral vascular involvement
- **D57.418** - Sickle-cell thalassemia, unspecified, with crisis with other specified complication
- **D57.42** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero without crisis
- **D57.431** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with acute chest syndrome
- **D57.432** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with splenic sequestration
- **D57.433** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with cerebral vascular involvement
- **D57.438** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with crisis with other specified complication
- **D57.439** - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with crisis, unspecified
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- Several New more specific codes were added to categories D57.4-thalassemia disorders and D57.8- other sickle cell disorders:
  - D57.44 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus without crisis
  - D57.451 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with acute chest syndrome
  - D57.452 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with splenic sequestration
  - D57.453 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with cerebral vascular involvement
  - D57.458 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with crisis with other specified complication
  - D57.459 - Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with crisis, unspecified
  - D57.813 - Other sickle-cell disorders with cerebral vascular involvement
  - D57.818 - Other sickle-cell disorders with crisis with other specified complication
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- HEMOLYTIC ANEMIAS
- D59.1 Other autoimmune hemolytic anemias
  - Deleted from Excludes 1:
    - Evans syndrome (D69.41)
    - Hemolytic disease of newborn (P55.-)
    - Paroxysmal cold hemoglobinuria (D59.6)
  - Added to Excludes 2:
    - Evans syndrome (D69.41)
    - Hemolytic disease of newborn (P55.-)
    - Paroxysmal cold hemoglobinuria (D59.6)
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- HEMOLYTIC ANEMIAS
- The D59.1 code for Other autoimmune hemolytic anemias has been expanded to include the more specific codes below:
  - D59.10 - Autoimmune hemolytic anemia, unspecified
  - D59.11 - Warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia
  - D59.12 - Cold autoimmune hemolytic anemia
  - D59.13 - Mixed type autoimmune hemolytic anemia
  - D59.19 - Other autoimmune hemolytic anemia
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- EOSINOPHILIA

- The D72.1 code for Eosinophilia is expanded to include the more specific codes below:
  - D72.10 - Eosinophilia, unspecified
  - D72.110 - Idiopathic hypereosinophilic syndrome [IHES]
  - D72.111 - Lymphocytic Variant Hypereosinophilic Syndrome [LHES]
  - D72.118 - Other hypereosinophilic syndrome
  - D72.119 - Hypereosinophilic syndrome [HES], unspecified
  - D72.12 - Drug rash with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms syndrome
  - D72.18 - Eosinophilia in diseases classified elsewhere
  - D72.19 - Other eosinophilia
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- IMMUNE DISORDERS
- **D84.8** - Other specified immunodeficiencies is expanded to include the more specific codes:
  - **D84.81** - Immunodeficiency due to conditions classified elsewhere
  - **D84.821** - Immunodeficiency due to drugs
  - **D84.822** - Immunodeficiency due to external causes
  - **D84.89** - Other immunodeficiencies
IMMUNE DISORDERS

6 New Codes - Other disorders involving the immune mechanism, not elsewhere classified:

- **D89.831** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade 1
- **D89.832** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade 2
- **D89.833** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade 3
- **D89.834** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade 4
- **D89.835** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade 5
- **D89.839** - Cytokine release syndrome, grade unspecified
The following metabolic codes are added for increased specificity:

- The **E70.8** code, Other disorders of aromatic amino-acid metabolism, is expanded to include the more specific codes below:
  - **E70.81** - Aromatic L-amino acid decarboxylase deficiency
  - **E70.89** - Other disorders of aromatic amino-acid metabolism
The **E74.8** code, Other specified disorders of carbohydrate metabolism, is expanded to include the more specific codes below:

- **E74.810** - Glucose transporter protein type 1 deficiency
- **E74.818** - Other disorders of glucose transport
- **E74.819** - Disorders of glucose transport, unspecified
- **E74.89**  - Other specified disorders of carbohydrate metabolism
E86 – Volume Depletion
- Deleted from Excludes 1:
  - Hypovolemic shock NOS (R57.1)
- Added to Excludes 2:
  - Hypovolemic shock NOS (R57.1)

E88.0 – Disorders of plasma-protein metabolism, not elsewhere classified
- Deleted from Excludes 1:
  - Disorder of lipoprotein metabolism (E78.-)
- Added to Excludes 2:
  - Disorder of lipoprotein metabolism (E78.-)
Edits to the guidelines for this chapter include instruction regarding coding use of non-insulin injectables to treat diabetes.

If the patient is treated with both insulin and an injectable non-insulin antidiabetic drug, assign codes Z79.4, Long-term (current) use of insulin, and Z79.899, Other long term (current) drug therapy.

If the patient is treated with both oral hypoglycemic drugs and an injectable non-insulin antidiabetic drug, assign codes Z79.84, Long-term (current) use of oral hypoglycemic drugs, and Z79.899, Other long-term (current) drug therapy.
CHAPTER 4 - ENDOCRINE, NUTRITIONAL & METABOLIC DISEASES GUIDELINES

- Some of the Non-insulin Injectable medications coded to Z79.899 include:
  - Exenatide (Byetta)
  - Exenatide Extended Release (Bydureon)
  - Liraglutide (Victoza)
  - Dulaglutide (Trulicity)
  - Albiglutide (Tanzeum)
  - Pramlintide (Symlin)

- These drugs generally act to keep food in the stomach longer, increase insulin when you eat, and lowers the amount of glucose released by the liver.
21 New codes have been added to Chapter 5 for withdrawal of substances including alcohol and opioids as well as other substances

- **F10.130** - Alcohol abuse with withdrawal, uncomplicated
- **F10.131** - Alcohol abuse with withdrawal delirium
- **F10.132** - Alcohol abuse with withdrawal with perceptual disturbance
- **F10.139** - Alcohol abuse with withdrawal, unspecified
- **F10.930** - Alcohol use, unspecified with withdrawal, uncomplicated
- **F10.931** - Alcohol use, unspecified with withdrawal delirium
- **F10.932** - Alcohol use, unspecified with withdrawal with perceptual disturbance
- **F10.939** - Alcohol use, unspecified with withdrawal, unspecified
- **F11.13** - Opioid abuse with withdrawal
- **F12.13** - Cannabis abuse with withdrawal
CHAPTER 5 - MENTAL, BEHAVIORAL, NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS

- F13.130 - Sedative, hypnotic or anxiolytic abuse with withdrawal, uncomplicated
- F13.131 - Sedative, hypnotic or anxiolytic abuse with withdrawal delirium
- F13.132 - Sedative, hypnotic or anxiolytic abuse with withdrawal with perceptual disturbance
- F13.139 - Sedative, hypnotic or anxiolytic abuse with withdrawal, unspecified
- F14.13 - Cocaine abuse, unspecified with withdrawal
- F14.93 - Cocaine use, unspecified with withdrawal
- F15.13 - Other stimulant abuse with withdrawal
- F19.130 - Other psychoactive substance abuse with withdrawal, uncomplicated
- F19.131 - Other psychoactive substance abuse with withdrawal delirium
- F19.132 - Other psychoactive substance abuse with withdrawal with perceptual disturbance
- F19.139 - Other psychoactive substance abuse with withdrawal, unspecified
CHAPTER 5 - GUIDELINE REVISIONS

- Revisions to the guidelines are bolded below.
- Mental and behavioral disorders due to psychoactive substance use
- Psychoactive Substance Use, Unspecified:
  - The codes for unspecified psychoactive substance use (F10.9-, F11.9-, F12.9-, F13.9-, F14.9-, F15.9-, F16.9-, F18.9-, F19.9-) should only be assigned based on provider documentation and when they meet the definition of a reportable diagnosis.
  - These codes are to be used only when the psychoactive substance use is associated with a physical disorder included in chapter 5 (such as sexual dysfunction and sleep disorder), or a mental or behavioral disorder, and such a relationship is documented by the provider.
CHAPTER 6 - DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM

- 24 more specific codes have been added to this chapter
- **G11.1** - Early-onset cerebellar ataxia now requires a 5th digit as noted in the 3 NEW codes below:
  - **G11.10** - Early-onset cerebellar ataxia, unspecified
  - **G11.11** - Friedreich ataxia
  - **G11.19** - Other early-onset cerebellar ataxia
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- **G20** Parkinson’s disease – etiology/manifestation instructional note has been added
  - Use additional code to identify
    - Dementia with behavioral disturbance (F02.81)
    - Dementia without behavioral disturbance (F02.80)

- Other generalized epilepsy and epileptic syndromes added the NEW code below:
  - **G40.42** - Cyclin-Dependent Kinase-Like 5 Deficiency Disorder
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- **G40.8** Other epilepsy and recurrent seizures added the NEW codes below:
  - G40.833 - Dravet syndrome, intractable, with status epilepticus-
  - G40.834 - Dravet syndrome, intractable, without status epilepticus

- **G44.8** Other specified headache syndromes
  - Added Excludes 2:
    - headache with orthostatic or positional component, not elsewhere classified (R51.0)
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- **G71.2** Congenital myopathies
  - Deleted Excludes 1:
    - arthrogryposis multiplex congenita (Q74.3)
  - Added Excludes 2:
    - arthrogryposis multiplex congenita (Q74.3)
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- **G71.2** Congenital myopathies was expanded to include the following 5 NEW more specific codes:
  - **G71.20** - Congenital myopathy, unspecified
  - **G71.21** - Nemaline myopathy
  - **G71.220** - X-linked myotubular myopathy
  - **G71.228** - Other centronuclear myopathy
  - **G71.29** - Other congenital myopathy
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- **G93.2** Benign intracranial hypertension
  - Add Excludes 1:
    - Obstructive hydrocephalus (G91.1)

- **G93.4** Other and unspecified encephalopathy
  - Delete Excludes 1:
    - Toxic (metabolic) encephalopathy (G92)
  - Add Excludes 2:
    - Toxic (metabolic) encephalopathy (G92)
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- **G96.0** Cerebrospinal fluid leak, is expanded to include the following 5 NEW more specific codes:
  - G96.00 - Cerebrospinal fluid leak, unspecified
  - G96.01 - Cranial cerebrospinal fluid leak, spontaneous
  - G96.02 - Spinal cerebrospinal fluid leak, spontaneous
  - G96.08 - Other cranial cerebrospinal fluid leak
  - G96.09 - Other spinal cerebrospinal fluid leak

- **G96.19** Other disorders of meninges, not elsewhere classified is expanded to include the following 2 NEW codes:
  - G96.191 - Perineural cyst
  - G96.198 - Other disorders of meninges, not elsewhere classified
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- **G96.8** Other specified disorders of central nervous system is expanded to include the following 4 codes:
  - **G96.810** - Intracranial hypotension, unspecified
  - **G96.811** - Intracranial hypotension, spontaneous
  - **G96.819** - Other intracranial hypotension
  - **G96.89** - Other specified disorders of central nervous system
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- **G97.8** Other intraoperative and postprocedural complications and disorders of nervous system is expanded to include the following 2 codes:
  - **G97.83** - Intracranial hypotension following lumbar cerebrospinal fluid shunting
  - **G97.84** - Intracranial hypotension following other procedure
More specific codes have been added to include a 6th digit requirement to indicate laterality.

**H18.50** Unspecified hereditary corneal dystrophies, is expanded to include 4 codes to indicate laterality:

- **H18.501** - Unspecified hereditary corneal dystrophies, right eye
- **H18.502** - Unspecified hereditary corneal dystrophies, left eye
- **H18.503** - Unspecified hereditary corneal dystrophies, bilateral
- **H18.509** - Unspecified hereditary corneal dystrophies, unspecified eye
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- The code H18.51 Endothelial corneal dystrophy is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality:
  - H18.511 - Endothelial corneal dystrophy, right eye
  - H18.512 - Endothelial corneal dystrophy, left eye
  - H18.513 - Endothelial corneal dystrophy, bilateral
  - H18.519 - Endothelial corneal dystrophy, unspecified eye

- The code H18.52 Epithelial (juvenile) corneal dystrophy is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality:
  - H18.521 - Epithelial (juvenile) corneal dystrophy, right eye
  - H18.522 - Epithelial (juvenile) corneal dystrophy, left eye
  - H18.523 - Epithelial (juvenile) corneal dystrophy, bilateral
  - H18.529 - Epithelial (juvenile) corneal dystrophy, unspecified eye
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- The code **H18.53** Granular corneal dystrophy is expanded to include 4 codes indicating laterality:
  - **H18.531** - Granular corneal dystrophy, right eye
  - **H18.532** - Granular corneal dystrophy, left eye
  - **H18.533** - Granular corneal dystrophy, bilateral
  - **H18.539** - Granular corneal dystrophy, unspecified eye

- The code **H18.54** Lattice corneal dystrophy is expanded to include 4 codes indicating laterality:
  - **H18.541** - Lattice corneal dystrophy, right eye
  - **H18.542** - Lattice corneal dystrophy, left eye
  - **H18.543** - Lattice corneal dystrophy, bilateral
  - **H18.549** - Lattice corneal dystrophy, unspecified eye
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- The code **H18.55** Macular corneal dystrophy is expanded to include the following codes indicating laterality:
  - **H18.551** - Macular corneal dystrophy, right eye
  - **H18.552** - Macular corneal dystrophy, left eye
  - **H18.553** - Macular corneal dystrophy, bilateral
  - **H18.559** - Macular corneal dystrophy, unspecified eye

- The code **H18.59** Other hereditary corneal dystrophies is expanded to include the following codes for laterality:
  - **H18.591** - Other hereditary corneal dystrophies, right eye
  - **H18.592** - Other hereditary corneal dystrophies, left eye
  - **H18.593** - Other hereditary corneal dystrophies, bilateral
  - **H18.599** - Other hereditary corneal dystrophies, unspecified eye
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- Revision to the description of code H55.81
  - From: H55.81 - Saccadic eye movements
  - To: H55.81 - Deficient saccadic eye movements

- NEW code in this chapter:
  - H55.82 - Deficient smooth pursuit eye movements
CHAPTER 8 - DISEASES OF THE EAR

NO CHANGES!
CHAPTER 9 - CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

- **I11 Hypertensive heart disease** - Includes note change
  - Revise from: any condition in I50.-, I51.4-I51.9 due to hypertension
  - Revise to: any condition in I50.-, I51.4-I51.7, I51.89, I51.9 due to hypertension
    - (I51.81 Takotsubo syndrome is no longer included)
CHAPTER 9 - CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

- **I70.** Atherosclerosis
  - Several includes notes have been added to the content of this category for Atherosclerosis of the extremities

- **Examples:**
  - **I70.2** Atherosclerosis of native arteries of the extremities
    - **I70.22** Atherosclerosis of native arteries of the extremities with rest pain
    - **Added Includes:**
      - chronic limb-threatening ischemia NOS of native arteries of extremities
      - chronic limb-threatening ischemia of native arteries of extremities with rest pain
      - critical limb ischemia NOS of native arteries of extremities
      - critical limb ischemia of native arteries of extremities with rest pain
I70.- ATHEROSCLEROSIS EXAMPLES - CONTINUED

• I70.23 Atherosclerosis of native arteries of the extremities of right leg with ulceration
  • Add Includes:
    • chronic limb-threatening ischemia of native arteries of right leg with ulceration
    • critical limb ischemia of native arteries of right leg with ulceration

• I70.24 Atherosclerosis of native arteries of the extremities of left leg with ulceration
  • Add Includes:
    • chronic limb-threatening ischemia of native arteries of left leg with ulceration
    • critical limb ischemia of native arteries of left leg with ulceration

• I70.26 Atherosclerosis of native arteries of the extremities with gangrene
  • Add Includes:
    • chronic limb-threatening ischemia of native arteries of extremities with gangrene
    • critical limb ischemia of native arteries of extremities with gangrene
CHAPTER 10 - DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

- No changes to coding of COPD, asthma, or emphysema
- New codes for increased specificity for pulmonary eosinophilia & interstitial fibrosis conditions
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- Code J82 - Pulmonary eosinophilia, not elsewhere classified is expanded to include the following 4 codes:
  - J82.81 - Chronic eosinophilic pneumonia
  - J82.82 - Acute eosinophilic pneumonia
  - J82.83 - Eosinophilic asthma
  - J82.89 - Other pulmonary eosinophilia, not elsewhere classified

- Code J84.17 - Other interstitial pulmonary diseases with fibrosis in diseases classified elsewhere is expanded to include the following 2 codes:
  - J84.170 - Interstitial lung disease with progressive fibrotic phenotype in diseases classified elsewhere
  - J84.178 - Other interstitial pulmonary diseases with fibrosis in diseases classified elsewhere
The following J codes all add the same excludes 1 note:

- **J00** Acute nasopharyngitis [common cold]
- **J02.9** Acute pharyngitis, unspecified
- **J03.9** Acute tonsillitis, unspecified
- **J06** Acute upper respiratory infections of multiple and unspecified sites
  - Add Excludes 1: influenza virus with other respiratory manifestations (J09.X2, J10.1, J11.1)

**J43** Emphysema

- Delete Excludes 1: traumatic subcutaneous emphysema (T79.7)
- Add Excludes 2: traumatic subcutaneous emphysema (T79.7)
CHAPTER 11 - DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

- 5 codes expanded with more specific codes requiring a 5th digit
- Code K20.8 Other esophagitis is expanded with the following 2 codes to indicate bleeding or no bleeding.
  - K20.80 - Other esophagitis without bleeding
  - K20.81 - Other esophagitis with bleeding

- Code K20.9 Esophagitis, unspecified is expanded with 2 codes to indicate bleeding or no bleeding.
  - K20.90 - Esophagitis, unspecified without bleeding
  - K20.91 - Esophagitis, unspecified with bleeding
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- Code **K21.0** Gastro-esophageal reflux disease with esophagitis is expanded with 2 codes indicating bleeding or no bleeding.
  - **K21.00** - Gastro-esophageal reflux disease with esophagitis, without bleeding
  - **K21.01** - Gastro-esophageal reflux disease with esophagitis, with bleeding

- Code **K59.8** Other specified functional intestinal disorders is expanded to indicate more specific conditions.
  - **K59.81** - Ogilvie syndrome
  - **K59.89** - Other specified functional intestinal disorders
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- Code K74.0 Hepatic fibrosis is expanded with the 3 more specific codes below:
  - K74.00 - Hepatic fibrosis, unspecified
  - K74.01 - Hepatic fibrosis, early fibrosis
  - K74.02 - Hepatic fibrosis, advanced fibrosis
CHAPTER 12 - DISEASES OF THE SKIN & SUBCUTANEOUS TISSUE

NO CHANGES!
CHAPTER 13 - DISEASES OF THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONNECTIVE TISSUE

- Rheumatoid Arthritis Conditions- 8 NEW CODES
  - M05.7A - Rheumatoid arthritis with rheumatoid factor of other specified site without organ or systems involvement
  - M05.8A - Other rheumatoid arthritis with rheumatoid factor of other specified site
  - M06.0A - Rheumatoid arthritis without rheumatoid factor, other specified site
  - M06.8A - Other specified rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
  - M08.0A - Unspecified juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
  - M08.2A - Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis with systemic onset, other specified site
  - M08.4A - Pauciarticular juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
  - M08.9A - Juvenile arthritis, unspecified, other specified site
CHAPTER 13 - DISEASES OF THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONNECTIVE TISSUE

- Osteoarthritis conditions: 3 NEW CODES to the M19 group to state other specified site when the site is known but doesn’t fit into one of the other codes.
  - **M19.09** Primary osteoarthritis, other specified site
  - **M19.19** Post-traumatic osteoarthritis, other specified site
  - **M19.29** Secondary osteoarthritis, other specified site
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- The codes below are NEW CODES to the M24 category of codes with the addition of the 5th character “9”. Now you have the option of other specified site/joint.
  - **M24.19** - Other articular cartilage disorders, other specified site
  - **M24.29** - Disorder of ligament, other specified site
  - **M24.39** - Pathological dislocation of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
  - **M24.49** - Recurrent dislocation, other specified joint
  - **M24.59** - Contracture, other specified joint
  - **M24.69** - Ankylosis, other specified joint
  - **M24.89** - Other specific joint derangement of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
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- Other joint disorder-All the codes below are additions to the M25 category of codes with the addition of the 5th character “9”.
  - M25.39 - Other instability, other specified joint
  - M25.59 - Pain in other specified joint
  - M25.69 - Stiffness of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
Dentofacial anomalies- The codes below are NEW CODES. There were no M26.64 or M26.65 codes previously.

- M26.641 - Arthritis of right temporomandibular joint
- M26.642 - Arthritis of left temporomandibular joint
- M26.643 - Arthritis of bilateral temporomandibular joint
- M26.649 - Arthritis of unspecified temporomandibular joint
- M26.651 - Arthropathy of right temporomandibular joint
- M26.652 - Arthropathy of left temporomandibular joint
- M26.653 - Arthropathy of bilateral temporomandibular joint
- M26.659 - Arthropathy of unspecified temporomandibular joint
There are 12 new codes for other pathological fractures for other specified sites.

Coding clinic had advised to use the non-specified code for coding a pelvic or rib fracture as there was no specific code for those fractures.

These unspecified codes do not assign to a clinical group or contribute to the comorbidity adjustment in PDGM.

The codes on the next 3 slides are all NEW CODES for other specified site.
Osteoporosis with pathological fracture codes: NEW CODES for other specified site.

- **M80.0AXA** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, initial encounter for fracture
- **M80.0AXD** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with routine healing
- **M80.0AXG** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing
- **M80.0AXK** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with nonunion
- **M80.0AXP** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion
- **M80.0AXS** - Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, sequela
Osteoporosis with pathological fracture codes: NEW CODES for other specified site.

- **M80.8AXA** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, initial encounter for fracture
- **M80.8AXD** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with routine healing
- **M80.8AXG** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing
- **M80.8AXK** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with nonunion
- **M80.8AXP** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion
- **M80.8AXS** - Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, other site, sequela
CHAPTER 13 - DISEASES OF THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONNECTIVE TISSUE

- Juvenile osteochondrosis – NEW CODES
- The **M92.50** code- Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, unspecified leg is expanded with more specific codes indicating laterality/site:
  - **M92.501** - Unspecified juvenile osteochondrosis, right leg
  - **M92.502** - Unspecified juvenile osteochondrosis, left leg
  - **M92.503** - Unspecified juvenile osteochondrosis, bilateral leg
  - **M92.509** - Unspecified juvenile osteochondrosis, unspecified leg
Juvenile osteochondrosis – NEW CODES

The M92.51 code- Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, right leg is expanded with the following codes:

- M92.511 - Juvenile osteochondrosis of proximal tibia, right leg
- M92.512 - Juvenile osteochondrosis of proximal tibia, left leg
- M92.513 - Juvenile osteochondrosis of proximal tibia, bilateral
- M92.519 - Juvenile osteochondrosis of proximal tibia, unspecified leg
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- Juvenile osteochondrosis
- The **M92.52** code - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, left leg is expanded with the following codes:
  - **M92.521** - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia tubercle, right leg
  - **M92.522** - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia tubercle, left leg
  - **M92.523** - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia tubercle, bilateral
  - **M92.529** - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia tubercle, unspecified leg
Juvenile osteochondrosis

The M92.52 code - Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, left leg is expanded with the following codes:

- M92.591 - Other juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, right leg
- M92.592 - Other juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, left leg
- M92.593 - Other juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, bilateral
- M92.599 - Other juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula, unspecified leg
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- 15 NEW CODES in this chapter
  - N00.A - Acute nephritic syndrome with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N01.A - Rapidly progressive nephritic syndrome with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N02.A - Recurrent and persistent hematuria with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N03.A - Chronic nephritic syndrome with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N04.A - Nephrotic syndrome with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N05.A - Unspecified nephritic syndrome with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N06.A - Isolated proteinuria with C3 glomerulonephritis
  - N07.A - Hereditary nephropathy, not elsewhere classified with C3 glomerulonephritis
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- **N18.3** moderate CKD is expanded to indicate grades of stage 3 CKD
  - **N18.30** - Chronic kidney disease, stage 3 unspecified
  - **N18.31** - Chronic kidney disease, stage 3a
  - **N18.32** - Chronic kidney disease, stage 3b

- There are 4 NEW CODES for granulomatous mastitis
  - **N61.20** - Granulomatous mastitis, unspecified breast
  - **N61.21** - Granulomatous mastitis, right breast
  - **N61.22** - Granulomatous mastitis, left breast
  - **N61.23** - Granulomatous mastitis, bilateral breast
Wording has been added to the guideline for coding acute renal failure, addition is in bold below:

- For patients with both acute renal failure and chronic kidney disease, **the acute renal failure should also be coded. Sequence according to the circumstances of the admission/encounter.**
Although not frequently used in Home Health or Hospice, we will review the changes in this chapter

- New codes added to 034.2 Maternal care due to scar from previous surgery
  - 034.218 – Maternal care for other type scar from previous cesarean delivery
  - 034.22 Maternal care for cesarean scar defect (isthmocele)
CHAPTER 15 – PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH & THE PUERPERIUM

- New codes added to **099.89** Other specified diseases and conditions complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium:
  - **099.891** – Other specified diseases and conditions complicating pregnancy
  - **099.892** – Other specified diseases and conditions complicating childbirth
  - **099.893** – Other specified diseases and conditions complicating puerperium
Although not frequently used in Home Health or Hospice, we will review the changes in this chapter.

New codes added to **P91.8** Other specified disturbances of cerebral status of newborn

- **P91.82** – Neonatal cerebral infarction
  - **P91.821** – Neonatal cerebral infarction, right side of brain
  - **P91.822** – Neonatal cerebral infarction, left side of brain
  - **P91.823** – Neonatal cerebral infarction, bilateral
  - **P91.829** – Neonatal cerebral infarction, unspecified side
CHAPTER 17 – CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS, DEFORMATIONS & CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES

- There are minimal changes to this chapter
- Cleft lip and cleft palate (Q35-Q37)
  - Delete - Excludes 1: Robin’s syndrome (Q87.0)
  - Add- Excludes 2: Robin’s syndrome (Q87.0)
The R51 Headache code is expanded to 2 codes:
- R51.0 - Headache with orthostatic component, not elsewhere classified
- R51.9 - Headache, unspecified

Liver enzyme abnormalities, the R74.0 nonspecific elevation of levels of transaminase and lactic acid dehydrogenase [LDH] code is expanded to 2 codes:
- R74.01 - Elevation of levels of liver transaminase levels
- R74.02 - Elevation of levels of lactic acid dehydrogenase [LDH]
This chapter contains most of the new codes, with 54 new codes for injuries to the thorax alone.

- **S20.213A/D/S** - Contusion of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.214A/D/S** - Contusion of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.223A/D/S** - Contusion of bilateral back wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.224A/D/S** - Contusion of middle back wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
This chapter contains most of the new codes, with 54 new codes for injuries to the thorax alone:

- S20.303A/D/S Unspecified superficial injuries of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- S20.304A/D/S Unspecified superficial injuries of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- S20.313A/D/S Abrasion of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- S20.314A/D/S Abrasion of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
This chapter contains most of the new codes, with 54 new codes for injuries to the thorax alone:

- **S20.323A/D/S** Blister (nonthermal) of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.324A/D/S** Blister (nonthermal) of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.343A/DS** External constriction of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.344A/D/S** External constriction of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **S20.353A/D/S** Superficial foreign body of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
CHAPTER 19 - INJURY, POISONING, & CERTAIN OTHER CONSEQUENCES OF EXTERNAL CAUSES

- This chapter contains most of the new codes, with 54 new codes for injuries to the thorax alone:
  - S20.354A/D/S Superficial foreign body of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - S20.363A/D/S Insect bite (nonvenomous) of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - S20.364A/D/S Insect bite (nonvenomous) of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - S20.373A/D/S Other superficial bite of bilateral front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - S20.374A/D/S Other superficial bite of middle front wall of thorax, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
There are **54 new codes** for encounters related to fentanyl, tramadol and other synthetic narcotic use conditions:

- **FENTANYL**
  - **T40.411A/D/S** Poisoning by fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, accidental (unintentional), initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **T40.412A/D/S** Poisoning by fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, intentional self-harm, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **T40.413A/D/S** Poisoning by fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, assault, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **T40.414A/D/S** Poisoning by fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, undetermined, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **T40.415A/D/S** Adverse effect of fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **T40.416A/D/S** Underdosing of fentanyl or fentanyl analogs, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
There are **54 new codes** for encounters related to fentanyl, tramadol and other synthetic narcotic use conditions:

**TRAMADOL**

- **T40.421A/D/S** Poisoning by tramadol, accidental (unintentional), initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.422A/D/S** Poisoning by tramadol, intentional self-harm, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.423A/D/S** Poisoning by tramadol, assault, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.424A/D/S** Poisoning by tramadol, undetermined, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.425A/D/S** Adverse effect of tramadol, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.426A/D/S** Underdosing of tramadol, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
There are **54 new codes** for encounters related to fentanyl, tramadol and other synthetic narcotic use conditions:

**SYNTHETIC NARCOTICS**

- **T40.491A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, accidental (unintentional), initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.492A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, intentional self-harm, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.493A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, assault, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.494A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, undetermined, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.495A/D/S** Adverse effect of other synthetic narcotics, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.496A/D/S** Underdosing of other synthetic narcotics, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
There are 54 new codes for encounters related to fentanyl, tramadol and other synthetic narcotic use conditions:

The following codes for synthetic narcotics are all deleted:

- **T40.4X1A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, accidental (unintentional), initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.4X2A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, intentional self-harm, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.4X3A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, assault, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.4X4A/D/S** Poisoning by other synthetic narcotics, undetermined, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T40.4X5A/D/S** Adverse effect of other synthetic narcotics, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
- **T404X6A/D/S** Underdosing of other synthetic narcotics, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
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- **T79.7** Traumatic subcutaneous emphysema
  - Delete Excludes 1: emphysema NOS (J43), emphysema (subcutaneous) resulting from a procedure (T81.82)
  - Add Excludes 2: emphysema NOS (J43), emphysema (subcutaneous) resulting from a procedure (T81.82)
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- CORNEAL TRANSPLANT COMPLICATIONS
  - The code **T86.840** Corneal transplant rejection is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality:
    - **T86.8401** Corneal transplant rejection, right eye
    - **T86.8402** Corneal transplant rejection, left eye
    - **T86.8403** Corneal transplant rejection, bilateral
    - **T86.8409** Corneal transplant rejection, unspecified eye
  - The code **T86.841** Corneal transplant failure is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality
    - **T86.8411** Corneal transplant failure, right eye
    - **T86.8412** Corneal transplant failure, left eye
    - **T86.8413** Corneal transplant failure, bilateral
    - **T86.8419** Corneal transplant failure, unspecified eye
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- CORNEAL TRANSPLANT COMPLICATIONS
  - The code T86.842 Corneal transplant infection is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality
    - T86.8421 Corneal transplant infection, right eye
    - T86.8422 Corneal transplant infection, left eye
    - T86.8423 Corneal transplant infection, bilateral
    - T86.8429 Corneal transplant infection, unspecified eye
  - The code T86.848 Other complications of corneal transplant is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality
    - T86.8481 Other complications of corneal transplant, right eye
    - T86.8482 Other complications of corneal transplant, left eye
    - T86.8483 Other complications of corneal transplant, bilateral
    - T86.8489 Other complications of corneal transplant, unspecified eye
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The code **T86.849** Unspecified complication of corneal transplant is expanded to 4 codes to indicate laterality

- **T86.8491** Unspecified complication of corneal transplant, right eye
- **T86.8492** Unspecified complication of corneal transplant, left eye
- **T86.8493** Unspecified complication of corneal transplant, bilateral
- **T86.8499** Unspecified complication of corneal transplant, unspecified eye
CHAPTER 20 - EXTERNAL CAUSES OF MORBIDITY

- **121 new codes** related to electric scooter or “micro mobility” conveyance
- These are just the first few:
  - **V00031A/D/S** Pedestrian on foot injured in collision with rider of standing electric scooter, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **V00038A/D/S** Pedestrian on foot injured in collision with rider of other standing micro-mobility pedestrian conveyance, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **V00841A/D/S** Fall from standing electric scooter, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **V00.842A/D/S** Pedestrian on standing electric scooter colliding with stationary object, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
  - **V00.848A/D/S** Other accident with standing micro-mobility pedestrian conveyance, initial/subsequent/sequela encounter
Y77.1 Therapeutic (nonsurgical) and rehabilitative ophthalmic devices associated with adverse incidents was expanded with 2 additional codes
  - Y77.11 Contact lens associated with adverse incidents
  - Y77.19 Other therapeutic (nonsurgical) and rehabilitative ophthalmic devices associated with adverse incidents
There are minor changes to this chapter.

There are revisions to all of the BMI codes but it is a format change only to brackets from parentheses.

The word “status” has been added to the Z88 allergy codes.
New guideline information for codes found in categories Z55-Z65, Persons with potential health hazards related to socioeconomic and psychosocial circumstances, code assignment may be based on medical record documentation from clinicians involved in the care of the patient who are not the patient’s provider since this information represents social information, rather than medical diagnoses.

Patient self-reported documentation may also be used to assign codes for social determinants of health, as long as the patient self-reported information is signed-off by and incorporated into the health record by either a clinician or provider.
The codes from Z55 to Z65 include domestic situations that have an affect on the patient’s ability to progress with a plan of care and may be situations someone not in the home would not be aware of.

For example:

- **Z59.4**- Lack of adequate food and safe drinking water
- **Z63.72** Alcoholism and drug addiction in family.
CHAPTER 22 - CODES FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES (U00-U85)

- This chapter has a reserved block of codes for special purposes. It includes a section for “Provisional assignment of new diseases of uncertain etiology or emergency use (U00-U49). Codes in this range are to be used by WHO for assignment of new diseases of uncertain etiology.

- These codes were implemented on April 1, 2020. Both of these codes if used as primary diagnosis will assign to the MMTA-Respiratory group in PDGM.
  - U07.0 Vaping-related disorder
  - U07.1 COVID-19
WHO developed the vaping related disorder code last year due to the spike in injuries and illnesses related to use of e cigarettes and vaping materials.

After WHO declared the COVID-19 pandemic, the implementation dates for these 2 codes were moved up from the original planned date of 10/1/2020 to April this year.
The U07.1 code should only be reported for confirmed or presumed positive COVID-19 cases. Presumed is interpreted as confirmed.

- A presumptive diagnosis is a patient that has been tested with results pending but is presumed to be positive
- It does not have to be used as a primary diagnosis
- Asymptomatic but positive patients are coded with U07.1
- Coding guidelines require the U07.1 code precede associated manifestations such as pneumonia - J12.89
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- The Z20.828 code- Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases is used for suspected but not confirmed Covid-19 cases.
  - A suspected (probable, inconclusive and possible) case is someone who has not been tested but has symptoms.
- Confirmation does not require documentation of a positive test result for COVID-19.
- The provider’s documentation that the individual has COVID-19 is sufficient.
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- If the provider documents "suspected," "possible," "probable," or “inconclusive” COVID-19, do not assign code U07.1. Instead, code the signs and symptoms reported.

- Sequencing of codes- When COVID-19 meets the definition of principal diagnosis, code U07.1, COVID-19, should be primary, followed by the codes for any manifestations, except when another guideline requires that other codes be sequenced first, such as sepsis, or transplant complications.

- For a COVID-19 infection in a lung transplant patient, see Section I.C.19.g.3.a. Transplant complications other than kidney.
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- Acute respiratory manifestations of COVID-19:
  - When the reason for the encounter is a respiratory manifestation of COVID-19, assign code U07.1, COVID-19, as the principal diagnosis and assign codes for the respiratory manifestations as additional diagnoses.

- The following conditions are examples of common respiratory manifestations of COVID-19:
  - Pneumonia- For a patient with pneumonia confirmed as due to COVID-19, assign codes U07.1, COVID-19, and J12.89, Other viral pneumonia.
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- Acute respiratory manifestations of COVID-19:
  - Acute bronchitis - For a patient with acute bronchitis confirmed as due to COVID-19, assign codes U07.1, and J20.8, Acute bronchitis due to other specified organisms.
  - Bronchitis not otherwise specified (NOS) due to COVID-19 should be coded using code U07.1 and J40, Bronchitis, not specified as acute or chronic.
  - Lower respiratory infection - If the COVID-19 is documented as associated with a lower respiratory infection, not otherwise specified (NOS), or an acute respiratory infection, NOS, codes U07.1 and J22, Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection, should be assigned.
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- If the COVID-19 is documented as being associated with a respiratory infection, NOS, codes U07.1 and J98.8, Other specified respiratory disorders, should be assigned.
  - Acute respiratory distress syndrome- (ARDS) due to COVID-19, assign codes U07.1, and J80, Acute respiratory distress syndrome.
  - Acute respiratory failure due to COVID-19, assign code U07.1, and code J96.0-, Acute respiratory failure.
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- Non-respiratory manifestations of COVID-19
- When the reason for the encounter/admission is a non-respiratory manifestation (e.g., viral enteritis) of COVID-19, assign code U07.1, COVID-19, as the principal/first-listed diagnosis and assign code(s) for the manifestation(s) as additional diagnoses.
- Exposure to COVID-19 For asymptomatic individuals with actual or suspected exposure to COVID-19, assign code Z20.828, Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases.
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- For symptomatic individuals with actual or suspected exposure to COVID-19 and the infection has been ruled out, or test results are inconclusive or unknown, assign code Z20.828, Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases.

- See guideline I.C.21.c.1, Contact/Exposure, for additional guidance regarding the use of category Z20 codes. If COVID-19 is confirmed, see guideline I.C.1.g.1.a. (f) Screening for COVID-19 During the COVID-19 pandemic, a screening code is generally not appropriate.

- Coding guidance will be updated as new information concerning any changes in the pandemic status becomes available.
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- Signs and symptoms without definitive diagnosis of COVID-19 (such as fever, etc.) but a definitive diagnosis has not been established, assign the appropriate codes for each of the presenting signs and symptoms such as:
  - R05 Cough
  - R06.02 Shortness of breath
  - R50.9 Fever, unspecified
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- If a patient with signs/symptoms associated with COVID-19 also has an actual or suspected contact with or exposure to COVID-19, assign Z20.828, Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases, also.

- For asymptomatic individuals who test positive for COVID-19 - Although the individual is asymptomatic, the individual has tested positive and is considered to have the COVID-19 infection.

- After COVID-19 infection has resolved - For individuals who previously had COVID-19 and COVID-19 test results are negative, assign code Z86.19, Personal history of other infectious and parasitic diseases.
CHAPTER 22 - VAPING RELATED DISORDERS

- Vaping-related disorders- assign code U07.0, can be the principal diagnosis. For lung injury due to vaping, assign only code U07.0.
- Assign additional codes for other manifestations, such as acute respiratory failure (subcategory J96.0-) or pneumonitis (code J68.0).
- Associated respiratory signs and symptoms due to vaping, such as cough, shortness of breath, etc., are not coded separately, when a definitive diagnosis has been established as these are considered inherent with lung injury.
- It would be appropriate to use any additional codes for gastrointestinal symptoms, such as diarrhea and abdominal pain.
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- For patients documented with electronic cigarette (e-cigarette), or vaping, product use associated lung injury (EVALI), assign the code for the specific condition, such as:
  - J68.0 Bronchitis and pneumonitis due to chemicals, gases, fumes and vapors; includes chemical pneumonitis
  - J69.1 Pneumonitis due to inhalation of oils and essences; includes lipoid pneumonia
  - J80 Acute respiratory distress syndrome
  - J82 Pulmonary eosinophilia, not elsewhere classified
  - J84.114 Acute interstitial pneumonitis
  - J84.89 Other specified interstitial pulmonary disease
For patients with acute lung injury but without further documentation identifying a specific condition (pneumonitis, bronchitis), assign code:

- J68.9 Unspecified respiratory condition due to chemicals, gases, fumes, and vapors
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- Poisoning and toxicity - Acute nicotine exposure can be toxic. Children and adults have been poisoned by swallowing, breathing, or absorbing e-cigarette liquid through their skin or eyes. For these patients assign code:
  - T65.291- Toxic effect of other nicotine and tobacco, accidental (unintentional); includes toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine NOS.

- For a patient with acute tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) toxicity, assign code:
  - T40.7X1- Poisoning by cannabis (derivatives), accidental (unintentional).
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- Pts with documented substance use/abuse/dependence, additional codes identifying the substance(s) used should be assigned.

- If documentation refers to use, abuse and dependence of the same substance (e.g. nicotine, cannabis, etc.), only one code should be assigned to identify the pattern of use based on the following hierarchy:
  - If both use and abuse are documented, assign only the code for abuse
  - If both abuse and dependence are documented, assign only the code for dependence
  - If use, abuse and dependence are all documented, assign only the code for dependence
  - If both use and dependence are documented, assign only the code for dependence.
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- Substance use, abuse, and dependence
- Assign as many codes, as appropriate. Examples:
  - Cannabis related disorders: F12.xxx
  - Nicotine related disorders: F17.xxx
- Specifically, for vaping of nicotine, assign code:
  - F17.29-, Nicotine dependence, other tobacco products. Electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) are non-combustible tobacco products.
For patients presenting with any signs/symptoms where a definitive diagnosis has not been established, assign the appropriate code(s) for each of the presenting signs and symptoms such as:

- M79.10 Myalgia, unspecified site
- R06.00 Dyspnea, unspecified
- R06.02 Shortness of breath
- R06.2 Wheezing
- R06.82 Tachypnea, not elsewhere classified
- R07.9 Chest pain, unspecified
- R09.02 Hypoxemia
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- For patients presenting with any signs/symptoms where a definitive diagnosis has not been established, assign the appropriate code(s) for each of the presenting signs and symptoms such as:
  - R09.89 Other specified S/S involving the circulatory & respiratory systems (includes chest congestion) R10.84 Generalized abdominal pain
  - R10.84 Generalized abdominal pain
  - R10.9 Unspecified abdominal pain
  - R11.10 Vomiting, unspecified
  - R11.11 Vomiting without nausea
  - R11.2 Nausea with vomiting, unspecified
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- For patients presenting with any signs/symptoms where a definitive diagnosis has not been established, assign the appropriate code(s) for each of the presenting signs and symptoms such as:
  - R19.7 Diarrhea, unspecified
  - R50.- Fever of other and unknown origin
  - R53.83 Other fatigue
  - R61 Generalized hyperhidrosis (night sweats)
  - R63.4 Abnormal weight loss
  - R68.83 Chills (without fever)
CONCLUSION

- These Codes are to be used for encounters beginning October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.
- The 2021 codes will be effective for claims with "From" dates on or after October 1, 2020.
- Coders need to become familiar with the FY 2021 code set and guidelines, so they are prepared to use them beginning October 1st!
QUESTIONS?
THANK YOU

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