

## Top Outpatient Diagnosis Codes with ICD-10 Documentation Tips

The following are important documentation tips and strategies for ICD-10 compliance:

ICD-9 Code and Name	ICD-10 Code(s) from GEMS	ICD-10 Documentation Tips
789.00 - Abdominal pain, unspecified site	R10.9 - Unspecified abdominal pain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•State symptoms such as abdominal pain, tenderness, rigidity, swelling, masses, and lumps.</li> <li>•Identify the region or quadrant of the abdomen where the symptom resides (e.g., right upper quadrant, left lower quadrant, left lower quadrant, epigastric, periumbilical, generalized, etc.).</li> <li>•Specify the phase of swallowing affected by dysphasia (e.g., oral, oropharyngeal, pharyngeal, pharyngoesophageal, etc.).</li> <li>•Detail other dysphagias (e.g., neurogenic).</li> <li>•Provide the underlying cause of ascites (e.g., malignancy, alcoholic cirrhosis, alcoholic hepatitis, chronic active hepatitis in toxic liver disease, etc.).</li> </ul>
466.0 - Acute bronchitis	J20.9 - Acute bronchitis, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the acuity of the disease (i.e., acute, subacute, or chronic).</li> <li>•Include the causative organism (e.g., Mycoplasma pneumoniae, streptococcus, rhinovirus, etc) and any other disease process associated with the bronchitis (e.g., chronic obstructive asthma, bronchitis due to allergies, bronchitis due to fumes).</li> <li>•Delineate when both acute and chronic bronchitis are present.</li> <li>•List any related tobacco use, abuse, dependence, or exposure (e.g., second hand, occupational, etc.).</li> </ul>
462 - Acute pharyngitis	J02.9 - Acute pharyngitis, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify and link any associated manifestations such as: laryngitis, pleural effusion, pneumonia, lung abscess, encephalopathy, myocarditis, otitis media.</li> <li>•Identify the causal organism (e.g., avian influenza, H1N1 influenza).</li> </ul>
465.9 - Acute upper respiratory infections of unspecified site	J06.9 - Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the acuity (e.g., acute or chronic).</li> <li>•Specify the site (e.g., frontal sinusitis).</li> <li>•List the specific cause (e.g., pneumonia due to Streptococcus pneumoniae).</li> <li>•Detail any related secondary disease process (e.g., pneumonia with respiratory failure).</li> <li>•Report lung disease due to external agents (e.g., pneumonia due to chemicals, gases, fumes, or vapor).</li> </ul>
427.31 - Atrial fibrillation	I48.91 - Unspecified atrial fibrillation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the type of arrhythmia, such as: paroxysmal, persistent, chronic, typical, atypical.</li> <li>•Specify the arrhythmia is complicating abortion, molar pregnancy or obstetric surgery/procedure.</li> </ul>
401.1 - Benign essential hypertension	I10 - Essential (primary) hypertension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Include type (e.g., essential, secondary, etc.).</li> <li>•Include causal relationship (e.g., renal, pulmonary, etc.).</li> </ul>
V57.1 - Care involving other physical therapy	Z51.89 - Encounter for other specified aftercare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Treatment for sequelae, or residual conditions, must be identified and supported by documentation or clinical indicators, as appropriate.</li> </ul>

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786.50 - Chest pain, unspecified	R07.9 - Chest pain, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Detail the underlying cause of any questionable signs or symptoms.</li> <li>•Report the presence of hypoxemia and hypercapnia.</li> <li>•Clarify any abnormalities originating in the perinatal period.</li> </ul>
414.01 - Coronary atherosclerosis of native coronary artery	I25.10 - Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery without angina pectoris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify any current tobacco use, tobacco dependence, history of tobacco use or exposure to environmental or occupational tobacco smoke.</li> <li>•Identify the vessel(s) containing atherosclerosis (e.g., native arteries, coronary artery bypass graft(s), coronary arteries of transplanted heart, etc.).</li> <li>•Detail when any form of angina is or is not present (e.g., angina pectoris, unstable angina, spasm, etc.).</li> <li>•Specify when the cause is a lipid rich plaque.</li> <li>•Coronary artery bypass grafts must be specified by type, such as: autologous vein, autologous artery, nonautologous biological, native coronary artery of transplanted heart.</li> </ul>
496 - Chronic airway obstruction, not elsewhere classified	J44.9 - Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•COPD classification includes chronic obstructive bronchitis, chronic bronchitis with airway obstruction, chronic bronchitis with emphysema, and chronic obstructive tracheobronchitis.</li> <li>•Specify any acute exacerbations.</li> <li>•Detail any acute lower respiratory infections and include the infectious agent.</li> <li>•Delineate COPD from asthmatic conditions (e.g., mild intermittent asthma, severe persistent cough variant asthma, etc.).</li> </ul>
110.1 - Dermatophytosis of nail	B35.1 - Tinea unguium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tinea barbae and tinea capitis (beard ringworm, scalp ringworm)</li> <li>Tinea unguium (onychomycosis)</li> <li>Tinea manuum (hand ringworm)</li> <li>Tinea pedis (athletes foot)</li> <li>Tinea corporis (ringworm of body)</li> <li>Tinea imbricata (Tokelau)</li> <li>Tinea cruris (Jock itch)</li> <li>Other</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<p>250.80 - Diabetes with other specified manifestations, type II or unspecified type, not stated as uncontrolled</p>	<p>E11.618 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other diabetic arthropathy            E11.620 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic dermatitis            E11.621 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with foot ulcer            E11.622 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other skin ulcer            E11.628 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other skin complications            E11.630 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with periodontal disease            E11.638 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other oral complications            E11.649 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hypoglycemia without coma            E11.65 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia            E11.69 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other specified complication</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify the type of diabetes.</li> <li>•State if hypoglycemia is or is not causing a coma.</li> <li>•Clarify any cause and effect relationship between diabetes and other conditions (e.g., diabetic peripheral vascular disease).</li> <li>•Specify long-term use of insulin.</li> <li>•Differentiate when diabetes is accompanied by hyperglycemia or hypoglycemia.</li> </ul>
<p>250.00 - Diabetes mellitus without mention of complication, type II or unspecified type, not stated as uncontrolled</p>	<p>E11.9 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify the type of diabetes.</li> <li>•State if hypoglycemia is or is not causing a coma.</li> <li>•Clarify any cause and effect relationship between diabetes and other conditions (e.g., diabetic peripheral vascular disease).</li> <li>•Specify long-term use of insulin.</li> <li>•Differentiate when diabetes is accompanied by hyperglycemia or hypoglycemia.</li> </ul>

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V58.11 - Encounter for antineoplastic chemotherapy	Z51.11 - Encounter for antineoplastic chemotherapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reason for encounter should be documented: i.e., for consult or initial evaluation, to undergo testing or receive test results, to receive chemotherapy or radiation therapy, because of complications of the cancer or the treatment.</li> </ul>
V58.83 - Encounter for therapeutic drug monitoring	Z51.81 - Encounter for therapeutic drug level monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Used in conjunction with Z79 - Long term (current) drug therapy.</li> </ul>
362.52 - Exudative senile macular degeneration	H35.32 - Exudative age-related macular degeneration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the stage of premature retinopathy (e.g., stages 1 through 5).</li> <li>Specify the laterality.</li> </ul>
V72.62 - Laboratory examination ordered as part of a routine general medical examination	Z00.00 - Encounter for general adult medical examination without abnormal findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the encounter is being coded before test results are back, it is acceptable to assign the code for normal findings.</li> </ul>
V58.61 - Long-term (current) use of anticoagulants	Z79.01 - Long term (current) use of anticoagulants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No documentation changes needed in ICD-10</li> </ul>
724.2 - Lumbago	M54.5 - Low back pain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the site (e.g., low back, thoracic, cervical, etc.).</li> <li>State the laterality when applicable (i.e., right, left, or bilateral).</li> <li>Identify the underlying cause of the pain.</li> <li>Differentiate between panniculitis and radiculopathy.</li> <li>Detail when lumbago is accompanied by sciatica.</li> </ul>
174.9 - Malignant neoplasm of breast (female), unspecified	C50.919 - Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of unspecified female breast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify site of breast (nipple, areola, quadrant, central)</li> <li>Identify laterality</li> </ul>
V04.81 - Need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation against influenza	Z23 - Encounter for immunization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The procedure code (the vaccine product) identifies the type(s) of immunizations given.</li> </ul>
327.23 - Obstructive sleep apnea (adult)(pediatric)	G47.33 - Obstructive sleep apnea (adult) (pediatric)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the type (e.g., insomnia, hypersomnia, circadian rhythm sleep disorders, sleep apnea, narcolepsy, parasomnia, etc.).</li> <li>List other underlying or related conditions (e.g., nightmares, sleepwalking).</li> <li>Detail any contribution alcohol or drug use has on the condition.</li> </ul>

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272.4 - Other and unspecified hyperlipidemia	E78.5 - Hyperlipidemia, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the type as being:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group A - pure hypercholesterolemia.</li> <li>Group B - pure hyperglyceridemia.</li> <li>Group C - mixed hyperlipidemia.</li> <li>Group D - hyperchylomicronemia.</li> <li>Familial combined hyperlipidemia.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
V76.12 - Other screening mammogram	Z12.31 - Encounter for screening mammogram for malignant neoplasm of breast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Code used to place patients in denominator for CMS quality measure #146 (NQF 0508): Radiology: Inappropriate use of "Probably Benign" Assessment Category in Screening Mammograms - National Quality Strategy Domain - Efficiency and Cost Reduction.</li> </ul>
719.41 - Pain in joint, shoulder region	M25.519 - Pain in unspecified shoulder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the site</li> <li>•State the laterality when applicable (i.e., right, left, or bilateral).</li> <li>•Identify the underlying cause of the pain.</li> <li>•Detail when paralysis or burns accompany the calcification and ossification of muscles.</li> <li>☑•Provide information regarding any rupture, non-traumatic ischemic, infarction, wasting, or contracture of a muscle.</li> <li>☑•Indicate any underlying disease.</li> </ul>
729.5 - Pain in limb	M79.609 - Pain in unspecified limb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the location (e.g., shoulder, upper arm, forearm, hand, fingers, thigh, ankle, etc.).</li> <li>•State the laterality (i.e., right, left, or bilateral)</li> <li>•Detail when paralysis or burns accompany the calcification and ossification of muscles.</li> <li>•Provide information regarding any rupture, non-traumatic ischemic, infarction, wasting, or contracture of a muscle.</li> <li>•Indicate any underlying disease.</li> </ul>

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714.0 - Rheumatoid arthritis	M06.9 - Rheumatoid arthritis, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Identify the site(s) affected and the laterality (e.g., right elbow, left shoulder, right ankle and foot, etc.).</li> <li>•Specify as <b>with</b> or <b>without</b> rheumatoid factor.</li> <li>•Further specification include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Felty's syndrome.</li> <li>Rheumatoid lung disease with rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Rheumatoid vasculitis with rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Rheumatoid heart disease with rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Rheumatoid myopathy with rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Rheumatoid polyneuropathy with rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Rheumatoid arthritis <b>with</b> involvement of other organs and systems.</li> <li>Rheumatoid arthritis <b>without</b> involvement of other organs or systems.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
V20.2 - Routine infant or child health check	Z00.129 - Encounter for routine child health examination without abnormal findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•If the encounter is being coded before test results are back, it is acceptable to assign the code for normal findings.</li> </ul>
V70.0 - Routine general medical examination at a health care facility	Z00.00 - Encounter for general adult medical examination without abnormal findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•If the encounter is being coded before test results are back, it is acceptable to assign the code for normal findings.</li> </ul>
427.81 - Sinus node dysfunction	R00.1 - Bradycardia, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Specify the underlying cause of any sign or symptom.</li> <li>•Specify arrhythmias.</li> <li>•Identify abnormalities originating in the perinatal period.</li> <li>•Clarify the type of chest pain (e.g., chest pain on breathing, precordial pain, pleurodynia, intercostal pain, chest wall pain).</li> </ul>

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V22.1 - Supervision of other normal pregnancy	Z34.80 Encounter for supervision of other normal pregnancy, unspecified trimester Z34.81 Encounter for supervision of other normal pregnancy, first trimester Z34.82 Encounter for supervision of other normal pregnancy, second trimester Z34.83 Encounter for supervision of other normal pregnancy, third trimester Z34.90 - Encounter for supervision of normal pregnancy, unspecified, unspecified trimester Z34.91 Encounter for supervision of normal pregnancy, unspecified, first trimester Z34.92 Encounter for supervision of normal pregnancy, unspecified, second trimester Z34.93 Encounter for supervision of normal pregnancy, unspecified, third trimester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trimesters are counted from the first day of the last menstrual period and, according to ICD-10-CM, are defined as:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First trimester – less than 14 weeks, 0 days</li> <li>Second trimester – 14 weeks, 0 days to 28 weeks, 0 days</li> <li>Third trimester – 28 weeks, 0 days until delivery</li> </ul> </li> <li>• A code from category Z34 should be assigned as the first-listed diagnosis for routine obstetric care. Code Z34.00 should not be used after a due date has been determined, but can be used when there are unknown dates. These women are usually scheduled for an ultrasound to determine gestational age.</li> </ul>
244.9 - Unspecified acquired hypothyroidism	E03.9 - Hypothyroidism, unspecified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify the type of hypothyroidism, (e.g., congenital with or without goiter, hypothyroidism due to medications or other agents, postinfectious, acquired thyroid atrophy, myxedema coma or unspecified hypothyroidism).</li> </ul>
401.9 - Unspecified essential hypertension	I10 - Essential (primary) hypertension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include type (e.g., essential, secondary, etc.).</li> <li>• Include causal relationship (e.g., renal, pulmonary, etc.).</li> </ul>

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599.0 - Urinary tract infection, site not specified	N39.0 - Urinary tract infection, site not specified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Detail the site and infectious agent.</li> <li>•Identify pyelonephritis as being acute, chronic, obstructive and reflux uropathy, or drug and heavy metal induced.</li> <li>•Indicate when hydonephrosis is accomplished by a ureteral stricture, calculus obstruction, reflux nephropathy, or hydroureter.</li> <li>•List any urethritis.</li> <li>•Provide evidence of any hematuria.</li> </ul>

References:

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