ICD-10 Diagnosis Documentation Tips – General Pediatrics

Increase In ICD-10 Codes:

❖ ETIOLOGY

➢ Example: Congenital pneumonia
  ▪ ICD-9: one code
  ▪ ICD-10: nine codes (due to...)
    ● Viral agent, Chlamydia, Staphylococcus, group B strep, E. coli, Pseudomonas, other bacterial agents, other organisms

❖ PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

➢ Example: Fetal blood loss affecting newborn
  ▪ ICD-9: one code
  ▪ ICD-10: eight codes (fetal blood loss from...)
  ▪ Vasa previa, ruptured cord, placenta, hemorrhage into co-twin, hemorrhage into maternal circulation, cut end of co-twins cord, other, or unspecified

❖ CLINICAL SPECIFICITY (conditions providers and nurses note)

➢ Example: Feeding problems in newborn
  ▪ ICD-9: 4 codes
  ▪ ICD-10: 10 codes (additional types not in ICD-9)
    ● Regurgitation and rumination, slow feeding, underfeeding, overfeeding, difficulty in feeding at breast

❖ MANIFESTATION (provides info on clinical presentation)

➢ Example: Marfan’s syndrome
  ➢ ICD-9: one code
  ➢ ICD-10: five codes (Marfan’s syndrome with...)
    ▪ Aortic dilation, other cardiovascular manifestations, ocular manifestations, with skeletal manifestations, unspecified
**Asthma:** New terminology for type

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**Sepsis:**
- Bacteremia: the presence of bacteria in the blood
- **Sepsis:** infection, documented or suspected, with signs and symptoms of an inflammatory response (SIRS)
- Severe sepsis: sepsis with organ dysfunction
- Septic shock: severe sepsis plus acute circulatory failure

**Musculoskeletal code expansion:** Injuries (varies by type of injury)

- **ANATOMIC SPECIFICITY**
  - Much more specificity regarding specific anatomic location
    - Example: radius and ulna rather than forearm
- **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR CODING FRACTURES**
  - Displacement: displaced / non-displaced
  - Open / closed
  - Laterality

- **EPISODE OF CARE** (the essential new addition for pediatricians treating injuries) [Examples below for fractures]
  - Initial (open v. closed)
  - Subsequent (routine healing, delayed healing, nonunion, malunion)
  - Sequela

**External Causes of Injury:** (for injuries, include history of...)
- Injury (if not already specified in a prior code)
- Place of injury (home, public, etc.)
- Activity (hang-gliding, driver of motorcycle, etc.)
- Status (work related, military [on or off duty], leisure, etc.)