

# HCC Documentation & Coding Tips 2018

**DOCUMENT AND VALIDATE ALL CHRONIC CONDITIONS AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR AND REPORT AS ACTIVE EVEN IF IT IS WELL CONTROLLED OR PATIENT IS ASYMPTOMATIC OR ON/OFF TREATMENT**

- ✓ **DIAGNOSIS** (ICD-10 code)
- ✓ **STATUS** (stable, worsening, improving, asymptomatic, new)
- ✓ **PLAN** (continue meds, check labs, f/u specialist)

## **DIABETES WITH MANIFESTATIONS**

Many codes are now combination codes, check code book for instructions.

- DMII w/**Diabetic** CKD: **E11.22** (Code also CKD N18.1 – N18.6)
- DMII w/**Diabetic** Polyneuropathy: **E11.42**
- DMII w/**Diabetic** Retinopathy: **E11.3\_** (unspecified, non-proliferative, proliferative) (+/- macular edema)
- DMII w/**Diabetic** Peripheral Angiopathy w/o gangrene: **E11.51**
- DMII w/Foot Ulcer: **E11.621** (Code also Ulcer L97.4-L97.5) • DMII w/other Specified Manifestation: **E11.69** (**Specify and link** other manifestation such as CAD, HTN, Dyslipidemia, ED, Onychomycosis)
- DMII w/Hypoglycemia w/o coma: **E11.649**
- DMII w/Hyperglycemia: **E11.65** (DM that is uncontrolled)

## **CARDIOVASCULAR**

Diagnose heart failure yearly even if EF improves with treatment or patient is asymptomatic.

- Heart Failure: **I50.\_** • Pulmonary Hypertension: **I27.2\_** • Cardiomyopathy: **I42.\_** • CAD with Angina: **I25.119** (Diagnose if patient had MI/stents/bypass & is on BB, CCB or Nitrates, even if asymptomatic)
- Acute MI, <4 week: **I21.\_** • Old MI > 4 weeks: **I25.2**
- Atrial Fibrillation: **I48.\_** (Diagnose even if paroxysmal or in sinus due to medication or pacemaker)
- Sick Sinus Syndrome: **I49.5** • Complete AV Block: **I44.2** • PSVT: **I47.1**

## **CIRCULATORY**

Atherosclerosis is seen on x-ray, CT & ultrasound as plaque or calcification.

- Peripheral Vascular Disease, PAD, Intermittent Claudication: **I73.9**
- Atherosclerosis, extremities: **I70.2\_** w/ulceration: **I70.23\_**, **I70.24\_**
- AAA: **I71.4** • Aortic Atherosclerosis: **I70.0** • Aortic Ectasia: **I77.81\_** • Aortic Tortuosity: **I77.1**
- Chronic DVT (on long term treatment): **I82.5\_** • Chronic PE: **I27.82** • Varicose Vein with Ulcer: **I83.0\_**

## **RESPIRATORY**

Report highest specificity of disease.

- COPD/Chronic Obstructive Asthma: **J44.9** • Emphysema: **J43.9**
- Chronic Bronchitis: **J42** • Simple Chronic Bronchitis (Smoker's Cough): **J41.0**
- Chronic Respiratory Failure: **J96.1\_** (Long-term O2 use due to underlying lung condition even if PRN)
- Lung Granuloma: **J84.10**

## **DERMATOLOGY**

- Senile Purpura: **D69.2**
- Malignant Melanoma: **C43.\_** • Melanoma in Situ: **D03.\_**

## **NEUROLOGY**

Do not code acute CVA (usually ER/INPT only).

- Late Effect of CVA: • Hemiplegia/Hemiparesis: **I69.35\_** • Monoplegia Upper Limb: **I69.33\_**
- Monoplegia Lower Limb: **I69.34\_**
- **If no late effects, use History of CVA: Z86.73**
- Quadriplegia: **G82.5\_** • Paraplegia: **G82.2\_** • Parkinson's: **G20** • Epilepsy: **G40.90\_**
- Polyneuropathy in diseases classified elsewhere: **G63** (Code first and link underlying disease, such as: Pre-DM, ESRD, B12 deficiency)
- Polyneuropathy due to Alcohol: **G62.1 & F10.2\_** (Alcoholism)
- Due to Drugs such as Methotrexate or Chemo: **G62.0 & T36-T50** (Be sure to document & link cause of neuropathy)

*\*Check ICD-10 Code Book for Accuracy and Updates*

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## **CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE**

Check GFR and Microalbuminuria at least yearly.

- CKD I: **N18.1** • CKD II: **N18.2** • CKD III: **N18.3** • CKD IV: **N18.4**
- CKD V: **N18.5** • ESRD: **N18.6**
- Dialysis Status, Presence of AV shunt: **Z99.2** • Dialysis non-compliance: **Z91.15**
- Secondary Hyperparathyroidism, Renal: **N25.81**

## **ONCOLOGY**

Diagnose as **ACTIVE** if patient is undergoing or waiting for treatment, on adjuvant therapy (Tamoxifen/Lupron), undergoing watchful waiting, or refuses treatment and document this in your note.

- Primary cancer: **C0.\_ – D4.\_**
- Secondary Malignant Neoplasm (Metastasis): **C77.\_ – C79.\_** (Diagnose by location of mets)
- Use “**HISTORY OF**” codes for cancers that are cured/show no evidence of disease: **Z85.00 – Z85.9**
- Document Leukemia and Lymphoma as “in remission” (not “history of”)

## **HEMATOLOGY**

- Polycythemia Vera: **D45** • Thrombocytopenia: **D69.6** • Neutropenia: **D70.9**
- Pancytopenia: **D61.81\_** • Thrombocythemia: **D47.3** • Nonthrombocytopenic Purpura: **D69.2**

## **PSYCHIATRY**

- Major Depression single episode: **F32.\_** (Specify severity or in remission)
- Major Depression recurrent episode: **F33.\_** (Specify severity or in remission – considered lifelong/chronic)
- Schizophrenia: **F20.\_** • Bipolar: **F31.\_**
- Alcohol Dependence/Alcoholism: **F10.2\_**
- Opioid Dependence: **F11.2\_** • Benzodiazepine Dependence: **F13.2\_**

## **MALNUTRITION**

Common in the elderly due to chronic illness, social isolation, financial hardship.

- Protein Calorie Malnutrition, unspecified: **E46** (Weight loss of 5% in 3-6 months or 10% in 6-12 months)
- Cachexia: **R64** (Weakness and muscle wasting due to severe chronic illness)

## **GASTROENTEROLOGY**

- Alcoholic Liver Disease: **K70.9** • Alcoholic Cirrhosis: **K70.30** • Unspecified Cirrhosis: **K74.60**
- Liver Failure: **K72.\_** • Autoimmune Hepatitis: **K75.4** • Chronic hepatitis, unspecified: **K73.9**
- Chronic Viral Hepatitis: **B18.9** • Chronic Hepatitis B: **B18.1** • Chronic Hepatitis C: **B18.2**
- Chronic Pancreatitis: **K86.1** • Crohn’s Disease: **K50.9\_** • Ulcerative Colitis: **K51.9\_**

## **MORBID OBESITY**

- Morbid Obesity due to excess calories: **E66.01** (BMI ≥ 40 or BMI ≥ 35.0 – 39.9 plus documented comorbidity such as, DM, CAD, CHF, Sleep apnea, MDD, Severe HTN, Hyperlipidemia.) Must clearly state what the comorbidity is

## **OPHTHALMOLOGY**

- Exudative Macular Degeneration: **H35.32\_**
- Vitreous Hemorrhage: **H43.1\_**

## **RHEUMATOLOGY**

- SLE, unspecified: **M32.9** • Sicca Syndrome, unspecified: **M35.00**
- Rheumatoid Arthritis, unspecified: **M06.9** (Diagnose when certain and prescribe DMARD)
- Inflammatory Polyarthropathy: **M06.4** (Diagnose when RA diagnosis is uncertain)
- Polymyalgia Rheumatica: **M35.3**

## **SURGICAL**

- Colostomy: **Z93.3** • Cystostomy: **Z93.50** • Ileostomy: **Z93.2** • Gastrostomy: **Z93.1** • Tracheostomy: **Z93.0**
- Amputation of toes, lower limbs: **Z89.4\_ - Z89.6\_**
- Transplant status (stem cell, bone marrow, pancreas, liver, heart, lung): **Z94.\_**