

## Internal Medicine Coding Alert

### ICD-9 2011: Make Your Superbill 2011 Compliant Using This Quick Guide

**The headache-free solution to getting your ICD-9 codes up to date.**

Space crunched on your superbill? These seven steps make fitting the must have 2011 codes on your charge sheet a snap.

To make your task even easier, the guide takes you section by section through a typical primary care superbill eliminating any guessing as to where the new entries should go.

#### 1. Add 488.1x to Influenza Superbill Entry

You'll sidestep invalid code denials if you add the fifth-digit to your H1N1 claims. Here's how to squeeze in the top new codes you need. On your superbill under Infectious & Parasitic Diseases update 488.1 "Influenza, H1N1" to:

488.12 Influenza, H1N1 w/ URI symptoms

Under Respiratory System Lower Respiratory Tract, add:

488.11 Influenza, H1N1 w/ pneumonia.

#### 2. Expand BMI Entries by 5

Don't let your BMI 40 and over ICD-9 codes clog claims payments. After your superbill's Endocrine, Nutritional & Metabolic Disorders Metabolic/Other section, find your V85.4 entry (BMI, 40 and over, adult). Add these entries:

V85.41 BMI, 40.0 -44.9, adult

V85.42 BMI, 45.0 -49.9, adult

V85.43 BMI, 50.0 -59.9, adult

V85.44 BMI, 60.0 -69.9, adult

V85.45 BMI, 70 and over, adult.

#### 3. Squeeze in Fecal Impaction Specific Code

For fecal impaction, you won't be properly coding fecal impaction if you stick with current code 560.39 (Impaction of intestine; other). Update your superbill to include room for the more specific new code. Under Digestive System after Impaction of Intestine, add:

560.32 Impaction of feces

#### 4. Enter 5th Digit for 787.6 Listing

Subcategory 787.6 (Incontinence of feces) will need a fifth digit starting Oct. 1. Avoid denials by making the following changes to your superbill under Signs & Symptoms. Update 787.6 Encopresis, NOS, fecal impaction to:

787.60 Full incontinence of feces

787.61 Incomplete defecation

787.62 Fecal smearing (soiling)

787.63 Fecal urgency.

#### **5. Solve Jaw Pain Coding With New Symptom Listing**

Make way for another new Signs & Symptoms code. In that long list of pain entries, add:

784.92 Pain, jaw.

#### **6. Introduce 2 Status Codes to Facility Superbills**

If your INTERNISTSs see patients in the inpatient hospital and skilled nursing facility settings, make room for two new V codes. Under the Supplemental Classifications section, include:

V49.86 " DNR status

V49.87 " Physical restraints status.

#### **7. Include New Personal Hx Dysplasia Locations**

You've got a way to indicate if a female patient has a history of vaginal or vulvar dysplasia. Under the Supplemental Classifications section after the cervical dysplasia entry, add:

V13.23 vaginal dysplasia, personal history

V13.24 vulvar dysplasia, personal history.