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Diagnosis Coding: Stop Losing Money With Missing M0245 Codes

Blanking out on M0245 could give you a failing grade on the claims collection test.

If you find your coders and clinicians confused about M0245 and either always completing it or forgetting to put a case mix code in when needed, give math-minded staff these equations, suggests consultant **Lisa Selman-Holman** of Denten, TX-based Selman-Holman & Associates: No V code (in M0230) + no case mix code (replaced by a V code in M0230) = No M0245; V code + no case mix = No M0245; V code + case mix = M0245.

For visual learners, senior consultant **Karen Vance** with **BKD** in Springfield, MO suggests using the following chart: