

ICD-10 Coding Tip

Need for Prophylactic

Vaccination and Inoculation against Influenza

In an effort to aid Health Information Management Coding and Medical Billing Professionals with ICD-10, the following training tip is provided with an educational intent.

TIP: In ICD-9, there are individual codes by type or disease for the coding of encounters for prophylactic vaccinations and inoculations. For example, V04.81 – need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation against influenza. In ICD-10, there is only one code to assign for encounters for vaccinations and inoculations. The type or disease for the vaccination and inoculation is captured by coding the procedure code. ICD-10 coding Note for this code states: Procedure codes are required to identify the types of immunizations given.

The ICD-10 code for vaccination and inoculation administration is:

- Z23: Encounter for immunization
- Procedure code is required to identify the type of immunization or vaccine given

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