ICD-10 Coding Tip

Coding Hypertension

In an effort to aid Health Information Management Coding Professionals for ICD-10, the following is provided with an educational intent.

**TIP:** Hypertension, hypertensive (accelerated) (benign) (essential) (idiopathic) (malignant) (systemic) is coded to Category I10.

- With hypertensive heart disease, Category I11.9
- With hypertensive heart disease and heart failure, Category I11.0 + I50
- With hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease, Category I13. +I50 (if applicable) + N18.

2012 ICD-10 Guidelines further state:

I11 Hypertensive Heart Disease is coded when a causal relationship is stated or implied.

I12 and I13 Hypertensive Chronic Kidney Disease and Hypertensive Heart and Chronic Kidney Disease presume a cause and effect relationship.

**ICD-Trivia:** How would Hypertensive Cerebrovascular Disease be coded?

**ICD-Trivia Answer:** Code the appropriate code from Cerebrovascular Disease Category I60-I69, followed by the hypertension code (I10.-I15.).

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