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Topic: Allergy status

A request has been submitted to create codes for status to allergies such as foods and latex. It is felt that this type of code would be useful in collecting data on persons with allergies as well as acting as a warning to health care providers prior to treating patients with known allergies.

Both category V14 and code V15.0 are status codes, rather than history codes, as defined by the V code article published in Coding Clinic 4th quarter, 1996. For this reason the next V code article annual update will be updated to reflect this change.
V15 Other personal history presenting hazards to health

V15.0 Allergy, other than to medicinal agents

Excludes: allergy to food substance in medicinal agent (V14.0-V14.8)

New code V15.01 Allergy to peanuts

New code V15.02 Allergy to milk products

New code V15.03 Allergy to eggs

New code V15.04 Allergy to seafood
   Octopus (ink)
   Shellfish
   Squid (ink)

New code V15.05 Allergy to other foods
   Food additives
   Nuts other than peanuts

New code V15.06 Allergy to insects
   Bugs
   Insect bites and stings
   Spiders

New code V15.07 Allergy to latex
   Latex sensitivity

New code V15.09 Other allergy, other than to medicinal agents
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Topic: E-code for in-line skates/skateboarding

In-line skates (roller blades) and skateboards are the cause of many accidents, primarily among children and adolescents. External cause coding for injuries due to these devices is imprecise. Should someone be involved in a transport accident while on skates or a skateboard then it is classified as a pedestrian-transport accident. And an external cause code is available for falls due to collisions between individuals on these devices. No external cause code exists for a fall by a single individual who just falls down while on skates or a skateboard. New codes are being proposed for falls due to rollerskates, skateboards and skis.

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Topic: Loss of height

Loss of height is a frequent finding in patients with osteoporosis. It is often the presenting sign for patient seeking treatment. A code for loss of height has been proposed for use as a reason for visit code for patients in whom a confirmed diagnosis has not been established.

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Topic: Foot ulcers

A request has been submitted to expand code 707.1, Ulcer of lower limb, except decubitus, to identify the site of the ulcer. Many patients have multiple ulcers and the site of the ulcer affects the treatment and prognosis.

Ulcers are usually the result of either diabetes mellitus and/or atherosclerosis of the peripheral vessels. For ulcers of the forefoot a better understanding of the causes of these ulcers has lead to improved treatments. Ulcers on the heel and midfoot have remained resistant to treatment. Heel ulcers tend to develop in severely debilitated and nonmobile patients. Midfoot ulcers, which constitute 20% of foot ulcers, are usually found on ambulatory patients. These patients become severely functionally debilitated as the ulcers progress.

Several years ago code 440.23, atherosclerosis of the extremities with ulcer, was created to identify patients with ulcers on the legs due to peripheral vascular disease. At the time that code 440.23 was created an excludes note was added to code 707.1 to exclude 440.23. Should this modification be approved the excludes note would be changed to a code first note. Code 707.1 would be used as a secondary code with 440.23 to identify the site of the ulcer(s).
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707 Chronic ulcer of skin

707.1 Ulcer of lower limb, except decubitus

Revise Excludes: that with

Code first underlying condition:

atherosclerosis of the extremities with ulceration (440.23)
diabetes mellitus (250.00-250.93)

New code 707.10 Ulcer of lower limb, unspecified

New code 707.11 Ulcer of thigh

New code 707.12 Ulcer of calf

New code 707.13 Ulcer of ankle

New code 707.14 Ulcer of heel and midfoot

Plantar surface of midfoot

New code 707.15 Ulcer of other part of foot

Toes
Topic: Acquired absence of organ

V45.7, Acquired absence of organ, was created to indicate the status of an acquired absence of an organ in contrast to a congenital absence. This status is useful in describing the reason for visit for patients coming in for reconstruction or for other types of patient care where the absence of an organ affects treatment.

The new codes under V45.7 have been well received but it has been pointed out to NCHS staff that there is no “other specified” code within V45.7. This makes it impossible to use this category for organs besides those that have specific codes. It has been requested that a .79 code be created under V45.7. Additional codes are also being proposed for specific organs that have a high incidence of removal with significant consequences. This modification corresponds to a similar category in the ICD-10-CM.

To complete this proposed modification it will be necessary to update all index entries for acquired absence of organ. Currently, with the exception of the sites that have codes at V45.7, all acquired absence of organs are indexed to “other disease” of the organ.

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491 Chronic bronchitis

491.2 Obstructive chronic bronchitis

491.21 With acute exacerbation

Add Acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease [COPD]

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599.0 Urinary tract infection, site not specified

Delete Pyuria

706 Diseases of sebaceous glands

706.3 Seborrhea

Revise Excludes: seborrhea capitis (690.11)

723 Other disorders of cervical region

723.8 Other syndromes affecting cervical region

Add Occipital neuralgia

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Add primary 416.0

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Neuralgia
Add Occipital 723.8

Tumor
Add Merkel cell - see Neoplasm, by site, malignant

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