**ICD10 Coding Changes and Updates**

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October means ICD10 coding changes! Are you seeing claims being returned due to incorrect billable codes? ALECC, Inc. has provided a list of ICD10 coding changes that may impact Home Health and Hospice claims.

**There were 28 codes revised for 2023 with 1179 new codes and 288 invalidated codes.**

**Coding Guideline Updates**

***Documentation by Clinicians other than Providers***

Added clinicians can code:

     o Z28.2 Under Immunization Status

***Disease Updates***

**Diabetes**

Z79.85 – code for use of injectable non-insulin antidiabetic drugs (long term /current use)

***Dementia codes F01 – F03***

Now is needing severity ratings (unspecified 0, mild A, moderate B or severe C) based on the provider’s clinical judgement and codes should be assigned only on the basis of provider documentation. If documentation does not provide information about severity of the dementia, then appropriate code for unspecified should be used.

**Severity guidelines:**

A - Mild Dementia – clearly evident functional impact on daily life, affecting mainly IADLs, requires occasional assistance with ADLs

B - Moderate Dementia – Extensive functional impact on daily life with impairment in basic activities. No longer independent and requires frequent assistance with ADLs

C - Severe Dementia – Clinical interview may not be possible. Complete dependency due to severe functional impact on daily life with impairment in basic activities including basic self-care

***Behavioral Disturbance***

Agitation (11)

     o Aberrant motor behavior such as restlessness, rocking, pacing or exit seeking

     o Verbal or physical behaviors – profanity, shouting, threatening , anger aggression, combativeness

Other behavioral disturbance (18)

     o Sleep disturbance, social disinhibition or sexual disinhibition

          - Use additional code to identify wandering Z91.83

Psychotic disturbance (2)

     o Hallucinations, paranoia, suspiciousness or delusional state

Mood disturbance (3)

     o Depression, apathy, anhedonia (reduced ability to experience pleasure)

Anxiety (4)

**F01 -Vascular Dementia guidelines**

Added to description major neurocognitive disorder due to vascular disease and multi-infarct dementia

Still must code underlying physiological condition or sequelae of cerebrovascular disease

Still cannot use as terminal diagnosis in hospice

***New Subcategories are added***

**F01. Vascular dementia**

**Unspecified**

F01.50 Unspecified severity without behavioral disturbance, psychotic disturbance, mood disturbance and anxiety

     o F01.511 with agitation

     o F01.518 with other behavioral disturbance

     o F01.52 with psychotic disturbance

     o F01.53 with mood disturbance

     o F01.54 with anxiety

**Mild**

     o F01.A 0 Vascular dementia mild without behavioral disturbance, psychotic disturbance, mood disturbance, and anxiety

          - F01.A11 mild agitation

          - F01.A18 other behavioral disturbance

          - F01.A2 psychotic disturbance

          - F01.A3 mood disturbance

          - F01.A4 mild with anxiety

**Moderate**

     o F01.B0 Vascular dementia moderate without behavioral disturbance, psychotic disturbance, mood disturbance, and anxiety

     o **§**F01.B11 with agitation

     o **§**F01.B18 other behavioral disturbance

     o F01.B2 psychotic disturbance

     o F01.B3 mood disturbance

     o F01.B4 mild with anxiety

**F02. Dementia in other disease classified elsewhere unspecified code first the disease (example: Alzheimer’s)**

   - Use same coding sequence with severity and disturbance

   - Example: Dementia in other disease classified elsewhere mild with agitation – F02.A11

**F03. Unspecified Dementia**

   - Example: Unspecified dementia unspecified severity with agitation – F03.911

***Social Determinants of Health***

Z59.8 Other problems related to housing and economic circumstances

Z59.82 Transportation insecurity

     o Excessive transportation time

     o Inadequate or inaccessible transportation

     o Lack of transportation

Z59.86 Financial insecurity

     o Bankruptcy

     o Burdensome debt

     o Running out of money

     o Unable to make ends meet

Z59.87 Material hardship not elsewhere classified

     o Unable to obtain adequate childcare, clothing, utilities, basic needs

**Severe**

**§**F01.C Vascular dementia severe**,**without behavioral disturbance, psychotic disturbance, mood disturbance, and anxiety

     o F01.C11 with agitation

     o F01.C18 other behavioral disturbance

     o F01.C2 psychotic disturbance

     o F01.C3 mood disturbance

     o F01.C4 anxiety

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