

Respiratory Conditions

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Coding Tip
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Five Conditions are Discussed in the Chapter-Specific Respiratory Section

COPD and Asthma

Acute Respiratory Failure

Influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses

Ventilator Associated Pneumonia

Vaping-Related Disorders



Influenza

Coding Guideline I.C.10.c

According to the CDC & the NCHS, subcategory J09.X- is assigned for influenza due to certain identified strains, such as novel influenza A, avian influenza (including H5N1), other animal-origin influenza viruses & swine influenza virus



Category J10, Influenza due to other identified influenza virus, is used to report ordinary seasonal influenza A (non-novel), influenza B, and influenza C



Category J11 is used for influenza due to unidentified influenza virus

c. Influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses

Code only confirmed cases of influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses (category J09), and due to other identified influenza virus (category J10). This is an exception to the hospital inpatient guideline Section II, H. (Uncertain Diagnosis).

In this context, “confirmation” does not require documentation of positive laboratory testing specific for avian or other novel influenza A or other identified influenza virus. However, coding should be based on the provider’s diagnostic statement that the patient has avian influenza, or other novel influenza A, for category J09, or has another particular identified strain of influenza, such as H1N1 or H3N2, but not identified as novel or variant, for category J10.

If the provider records “suspected” or “possible” or “probable” avian influenza, or novel influenza, or other identified influenza, then the appropriate influenza code from category J11, Influenza due to unidentified influenza virus, should be assigned. A code from category J09, Influenza due to certain identified influenza viruses, should not be assigned nor should a code from category J10, Influenza due to other identified influenza virus.