
 <h2>General Surgery</h2>		
Description	ICD10-CM	Documentation Tips
Abdominal Pain	Code	Tip
Left upper quadrant pain	R10.12	Indicate pain, tenderness or rebound tenderness Indicate location: quadrant, epigastric, umbilical, generalized
Right lower quadrant pain	R10.31	
Upper abdominal pain, unspecified	R10.10	
Right lower quadrant rebound abdominal tenderness	R10.823	
Appendicitis	Code	Tip
Acute appendicitis with generalized peritonitis	K35.2	Indicate localized or generalized peritonitis
Acute appendicitis with localized peritonitis	K35.3	
Respiratory Failure	Code	Tip
Acute RF with hypoxia	J96.01	Indicate acute, chronic or acute on chronic. Also indicate hypercapnia or hypoxia. If resting or expected to be on vent, or on vent for airway protection, do not use the term Respiratory Failure
Acute RF with hypercapnia	J96.02	
Chronic RF with hypoxia	J96.11	
Chronic RF with hypercapnia	J96.12	
Breast Cancer	Code	Tip
Malignant neoplasm of nipple and areola, right female breast	C50.011	Indicate primary, secondary or CA in situ; specific location (upper, lower, inner, outer quadrant, etc) Indicate male or female
Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of left female breast	C50.512	
Intraductal carcinoma in situ of left breast	D05.12	
Secondary malignant neoplasm of breast	C79.81	
Colon Cancer	Code	Tip
Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of colon	C18.8	Indicate primary, secondary, or CA in situ; specific location (ascending, descending, transverse, sigmoid,
Carcinoma in situ of colon	D01.0	
Cholelithiasis	Code	Tip
Calculus of gallbladder with acute cholecystitis w/o obstruction	K80.00	Indicate with or w/o obstruction, acute, chronic or both,
Calculus of gallbladder w/o cholecystitis with obstruction	K80.21	
Calculus of bile duct with acute cholecystitis w/o obstruction	K80.42	

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Hernia	Code	Tip
Bilateral inguinal hernia, with obstruction, without gangrene, recurrent	K40.01	Indicate type; right, left, or bilateral; recurrent or single episode; with obstruction, with gangrene
Congenital hiatus hernia	Q40.1	
Unilateral inguinal hernia, with gangrene, not specified as recurrent	K40.40	
Tobacco Use or Dependence	Code	Tip
Tobacco use	Z72.0	Indicate use or dependence; type (smokeless or cigarettes); with nicotine induced disorder, in remission or withdrawal
Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, in remission	F17.211	
Obesity	Code	Tip
Drug Induced Obesity	E66.1	Indicate morbid, drug induced, or overweight. Document BMI
Morbid Obesity due to excess calories	E66.01	
Overweight	E66.3	
Ulcer	Code	Tip
Acute gastric ulcer with hemorrhage or perforation	K25.0	Indicate with or without hemorrhage, with or without perforation Use additional: alcohol abuse and
Chronic gastric ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation	K25.7	
Bowel Procedures	Code	Tip
		Clearly indicate the specific portion of bowel removed and indicate whether it was the whole portion of the intestine.

* * Always indicate left, right or bilateral, unilateral
* These are intended to be examples not a comprehensive listing. Please refer to the official ICD-10-CM code set for details
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