



## ICD-10-CM Coding Tip

# Z00.00 - Encounter for general adult medical examination *without* abnormal findings

In an effort to aid Health Information Management Coding and Medical Billing Professionals with ICD-10, the following training tip is provided with an educational intent.

Encounter for adult periodic examination (annual) (physical) and any associated laboratory and radiologic examinations

### Encounter for adult health check-up NOS

- Previously reported as V70.0 - Routine general medical examination at a health care facility (Health checkup) in ICD-9.
- Excludes one note indicates that Z00.00 cannot be used with the following conditions:
  - Encounter for examination of sign or symptom – code to sign or symptom
  - General health check-up of infant or child (Z00.12)

**Example:** A patient is referred to the radiology department for a chest X-ray as part of a routine physical examination. Code Z00.00, Encounter for general adult medical examination, is listed as the reason for the encounter because there are no presenting symptoms and the X-ray was not performed to rule out any suspect disease.

#### Source

Leon-Chisen, N. (2013) *ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS Coding Handbook 2014*. Chicago, IL: AHA Press.

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