

Ulcers

In an effort to aid Health Information Management Coding Professionals for ICD-10, the following is provided with an educational intent.

TIP: In ICD-9, the term hemorrhage and bleeding was used interchangeably. ICD-9 533.60 would be assigned to identify a peptic ulcer described as bleeding or with hemorrhage.

In ICD-10 the term “hemorrhage” is used when referring to ulcers, and the term “bleeding” is used when classifying gastritis, duodenitis, diverticulosis and diverticulitis.

Question: What other change has occurred in ICD-10 in describing ulcers?

ICD-10 Trivia Answer: The identification of obstruction is no longer a part of the ICD-10-CM ulcer code structure.

Coding Clinic is the official resource and authority for ICD-10 coding rules and conventions.

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