



Tips & Tricks

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Pinpoint proper codes for your hospice patients

From the FY2018 Proposed Rule ...

“the FY 2016 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update final rule clarified that **hospices must report all diagnoses of the beneficiary** on the hospice claim as a part of the ongoing data collection efforts for possible future hospice payment refinements. Reporting of all diagnoses on the hospice claim aligns with current coding guidelines as well as admission requirements for hospice certifications.”

FY2016 Top 10 Principal Dx

Code	Descriptor	Pct of All Claims
G30.9	Alzheimer's disease, unspecified	11%
I50.9	Heart failure, unspecified	6%
J44.9	COPD, unspecified	5%
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung	4%
G31.1	Senile degeneration of brain, NEC	4%
G20	Parkinson's disease	2%
I25.10	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery without angina pectoris	2%
J44.1	COPD with (acute) exacerbation	2%
G30.1	Alzheimer's disease with late onset	2%
I67.2	Cerebral atherosclerosis	2%

Icon: Non-cancer hospice dx

Code	Descriptor	Code	Descriptor
B20	Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease	K74.4	Secondary biliary cirrhosis
G12.21	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	K74.5	Biliary cirrhosis, unspecified
G30.-	Alzheimer's disease	K74.60	Unspecified cirrhosis of liver
G31.01	Pick's disease	K74.69	Other cirrhosis of liver
G31.1	Senile degeneration of brain, NEC	K75.2	Nonspecific reactive hepatitis
G31.85	Corticobasal degeneration	K75.3	Granulomatous hepatitis, NEC
I12.0	Hypertensive CKD with stage 5 CKD or ESRD	K75.4	Autoimmune hepatitis
I50.-	Heart failure	K75.81	Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)
K70.2	Alcoholic fibrosis and sclerosis of liver	K76.4	Peliosis hepatis
K70.3-	Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver	K76.7	Hepatorenal syndrome
K71.-	Toxic liver disease	K76.81	Hepatopulmonary syndrome
K72.01	Acute and subacute hepatic failure with coma	N17	Acute kidney failure
K72.11	Chronic hepatic failure with coma	N18.6	End stage renal disease
K72.91	Hepatic failure, unspecified with coma	N19	Unspecified kidney failure
K73.-	Chronic hepatitis, NEC	R40.2-	Coma
K74.0	Hepatic fibrosis	R99	Ill-defined and unknown cause of mortality
K74.3	Primary biliary cirrhosis		