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INTRODUCTION

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Volume 2 of the International Classification of Diseases is an alphabetical index to the Tabular List of Volume 1. Although the Index reflects the provisions of the Tabular List in regard to the notes varying the assignment of a diagnostic term when it is reported with other conditions, or under particular circumstances (e.g. certain conditions complicating pregnancy), it is not possible to express all such variations in the index terms and Volume 1 should be regarded as the primary coding tool. Reference should always be made back to the Tabular List and its notes to ensure that the code given by the Index fits the circumstances of a particular case.

The Index is, however, an essential adjunct to the Tabular List, since it contains a great number of diagnostic terms which do not appear in Volume 1. The terms included in a category of the Tabular List are not exhaustive; they serve as examples of the content of the category. The Index, on the other hand, is intended to include all diagnostic terms currently in use.

Because of its exhaustive nature, the Index inevitably includes many imprecise and undesirable terms. Since these terms are still occasionally encountered on medical records, coders need an indication of their assignment in the Classification, even if this is to a rubric for residual or ill-defined conditions. The presence of a term in this volume, therefore, should not be taken as sanction for its usage in good medical terminology.

General Arrangement of the Index

Main Sections

The Alphabetical Index consists of three sections, as follows:

Section I. – Index of diseases, syndromes, pathological conditions, injuries, signs, symptoms, problems and other reasons for contact with health services, i.e. the type of information that would be recorded by a physician. It includes all terms classifiable to categories 001–999 and V01–V82 except drugs and other chemical substances giving rise to poisoning or other adverse effects – see Section III.

Section II. – Index of external causes of injury. The terms included here are not medical diagnoses but descriptions of the circumstances under which the violence occurred (e.g. fire, explosion, fall, assault, collision,

submersion). It includes all terms classifiable to E800–E999 except drugs and chemicals (Section III).

Section III. – Index of drugs and other chemical substances giving rise to poisoning or other adverse effects (referred to in Sections I and II as the Table of Drugs and Chemicals). The Table gives, for each substance, the Chapter XVII code for poisoning (960–989) and the E codes for accidental poisoning (E850–E869, E905), suicide and self-inflicted poisoning (E950–E952), and poisoning undetermined whether accidental or purposeful (E980–E982). For drugs, medicaments and biological substances, it also gives the code for these substances causing adverse effects in therapeutic use (E930–E949).

Structure

To avoid repetition, the Index is organized in the form of lead terms, which start at the extreme left of a column, and various levels of indentation, which start progressively further and further to the right. A complete index term, therefore, may be composed of several lines, sometimes quite widely separated. For example, in the entry

Erythroblastosis (fetalis) (newborn) 773.2

- due to
- ABO
- – antibodies 773.1
- – incompatibility, maternal/fetal 773.1
- -- isoimmunization 773.1
- Rh
- - antibodies 773.0
- – incompatibility, maternal/fetal 773.0
- -- isoimmunization 773.0

the last line stands for "Erythroblastosis due to Rh isoimmunization".

Usually, the lead term is the name of a disease or pathological condition, while the terms indented beneath it (the "modifiers") refer either to varieties of this condition, to the anatomical sites affected by it or to circumstances which affect its coding. For these, the coder should therefore first look up the disease condition as a lead term and then find the variety, anatomical site, etc., in alphabetical order below it. Thus he will find "tuberculosis of hip" under T and not under H, and stomach ulcer under U, not under S. In some diagnostic statements, the disease condition is expressed in adjectival form (e.g. "dislocated elbow") instead of the more usual noun form ("dislocation of elbow"). Sometimes the index lists both forms but often only the noun form will be found and the coder must make the necessary transformation.

Amongst the indented modifiers, it is not always feasible to include a complete listing of the various combinations of modifiers which could apply to a given term. In such instances, there are some types of modifier which tend to have priority over others. For example, under the lead term "Abscess" are indented a large number of anatomical sites and their

appropriate codes. However, tuberculous abscesses are not classified to these codes but to the codes for tuberculosis of these sites. Instead of inserting an indent "tuberculous" under each anatomical site, the index uses one single indent "tuberculous" – see "Tuberculosis, abscess" under the lead term "Abscess". In general, the types of modifiers which tend to have priority over others are: in Section I, those indicating that a disease or condition was infectious or parasitic, malignant, neoplastic, psychogenic, hysterical, congenital, traumatic, complicating or affecting management of pregnancy, childbirth or the puerperium, affecting the fetus or newborn, or was reported in circumstances applicable to the supplementary "V" code. In Section II, the "priority" modifiers are those indicating transport accidents, complications of medical and surgical procedures, suicide and self-inflicted injury, homicide and assault, legal intervention, or war operations.

Section I incorporates an index of the categories in the supplementary "V" code relating to problems or circumstances rather than diseases or injuries. Some special lead terms are used for these, consisting of "key" words indicating the type of problem or circumstances, with indents indicating the codes for the complete range of appropriate categories. The main "key" words are: "Counselling", "Examination", "History (of)", "Observation (for)", "Pregnancy", "Problem (with)", "Screening (for)", "Status (post)", "Vaccination".

In both Sections I and II, this "key" word form of lead term is also used instead of, or in addition to, the standard method for certain conditions or circumstances where terminology is diverse and reported descriptions might not easily be found in the index, or where the normal method of indexing might be misleading. Such lead terms include: "Late effects of", (the only place where the code numbers of the special "Late effects" categories can be found – see Vol. 1, page 711), terms such as "Typhoid" where the implied lead term "Fever" is often omitted, "Delivery", "Pregnancy", "Puerperal", "Birth" and "Maternal condition affecting fetus or newborn", and, in Part II, "Complication", (for medical and surgical procedures), "Late effect", "Suicide", "Assault", "Legal intervention" and "War operations". Coders should remember the presence of these special lists whenever difficulty is found in locating index entries for the relevant conditions, problems or circumstances – by scrutinizing the indented terms guidance can be found as to the code numbers of all the relevant categories even if not reported in precisely the listed words.

Code numbers

The code numbers that follow the terms in the Index are those of the three-digit categories to which the terms are classified. In general, if the three-digit category is subdivided into four-digit subcategories, the appropriate fourth digit is also given in the code number. In some cases, however, the fourth digit is replaced by a dash, e.g. Burn, trunk 942.—, Arteriosclerosis, cardiorenal 404.—. This device is an indication to the

coder that a fourth digit exists and should be used and that it will be found either in a note in the Index (e.g. the fourth-digit subdivision common to many sites of burns is given in a note under the lead term "Burn") or by reference to Volume 1.

Where an index term is one of the diagnostic statements for which there is a dual classification according to etiology and manifestation (see Volume 1, page XXVI), both codes are given, the first followed by a dagger (†) and the second by an asterisk (*), e.g. Pott's disease 015.0 † 730.4*.

Multiple diagnoses

The Tabular List includes a number of categories for the classification of two or more conditions jointly reported, e.g. "487.0 Influenza with pneumonia", "540.0 Acute appendicitis with generalized peritonitis". Such combinations of conditions, which are specifically classified in the Tabular List, also appear in the Index. Classification rules for certain other combinations, however, appear in the section "Medical Certification and Rules for Classification" under the heading "Notes for use in primary mortality coding" in Volume 1, e.g. "440 Atherosclerosis" excludes this condition when it is reported with conditions in "430–438 (cerebrovascular disease)". These provisions, since they are not inherent in the Classification itself, are not indexed.

Spelling

In order to avoid repetitions caused by the differences between American and English spelling, the American form has been used in the Index. This applies not only to diphthongs (e.g. anemia, anaemia; leukemia, leukaemia) but also to other variations in spelling (e.g. color, colour; labor, labour). Users familiar with the English form should remember that the first letter of diphthongs and the u in words ending in -our have been dropped, and the "re" reversed to "er" in words ending thus, etc. It is only when the initial letters of a word are affected that any great displacement in alphabetical order is caused, and in these cases, when the first two letters of a word differ in the two forms of spelling, the word is listed with the English spelling and a reference given to the American spelling, thus: "Oedema, oedematous – see Edema".

Conventions Used in the Index

Parentheses

In the Index, as in the Tabular List, parentheses have a special meaning which the coder must bear in mind. Any term which is followed by other terms in parentheses is classified to the given code number whether any of the terms in parentheses are reported or not. For example:

Abscess (infectional) (metastatic) (multiple) (pyogenic) (septic)

- adrenal (capsule) (gland) 255.8

Adrenal abscess is classified to 255.8 whether or not capsule or gland is mentioned and whether or not the abscess is described as infectional, metastatic, multiple, pyogenic, or septic.

Cross-references

Some categories, particularly those subject to notes linking them with other categories, require rather complex indexing arrangements. To avoid repeating this arrangement for each of the inclusion terms involved, a cross-reference is used. This may take a number of forms, as in the following examples:

Paralysis, paralytic

- cerebral
- spastic infantile see Palsy, cerebral

The coder is warned that the term "Cerebral spastic infantile paralysis" is to be coded in the same way as the term "Cerebral palsy". On looking up the latter term, the coder will find listed various forms of paralysis; diplegic, hemiplegic, monoplegic, etc.

Inflammation, inflamed, inflammatory (with exudation)

cornea (see also Keratitis) 370.9

The coder is told that if the term "Inflammation of cornea" is the only term on the medical record, the code number is 370.9, but that if any other information is present which is not found indented below he should look up "Keratitis". There he will find alternative code numbers for the condition if further or otherwise qualified as, for example, gonococcal, syphilitic, trachomatous or tuberculous.

Enlargement, enlarged - see also Hypertrophy

- adenoids (and tonsils) 474.1
- alveolar ridge 525.8

etc.

If the coder does not find the site of the enlargement among the indents beneath "Enlargement," he should look among the indents beneath "Hypertrophy" where a more complete list of sites if given.

Septicemia, septicemic (generalized) (suppurative)

- with
- - abortion see categories 634-639, fourth digit .0

The coder is here referred, not to another part of the Index, but to a group of categories in Volume 1, one of which will be the appropriate code number. In this case the categories 634–639 classify different types of abortion.

Bladder - see condition

Hereditary - see condition

Anatomical sites and very general adjectival modifiers are not usually used as lead terms in the Index and the coder is instructed to look up the disease or injury reported on the medical record and under that term to find the site or adjectival modifier.

Abdomen, abdominal - see also condition

- acute 789.0
- convulsive equivalent 345.5

The term "acute abdomen" is coded to 789.0 and "Abdominal convulsive equivalent" is coded to 345.5, but for other abdominal conditions, the coder should look up the disease or injury reported.

Abbreviation NEC

The letters NEC stand for "not elsewhere classified". They are added after terms classified to residual or unspecific categories and to terms in themselves ill-defined as a warning that specified forms of the conditions are classified differently and if the medical record includes more precise information the coding should be modified accordingly, e.g.

Disease, diseased - see also Syndrome

- heart (organic)
- congenital NEC 746.9

The term "congenital heart disease" is classified to 746.9 only if no more precise description appears on the medical record. If a more precise term, e.g. interventricular septal defect, is recorded, this term should be looked up for the appropriate code.

Special signs

The following special signs will be found attached to certain code numbers or index terms:

- †/* used to designate the "etiology" code and the "manifestation" code respectively, for terms subject to dual classification. See under "Code numbers" above.
- #/\$\times attached to certain terms in the list of sites under "Neoplasm" to refer the coder to Notes 3 and 4 respectively at the start of that list.

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SECTION I

ALPHABETICAL INDEX TO DISEASES AND NATURE OF INJURY



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