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## ICD-10 Updates

At this month's Compliance Lunch Discussion we covered the ICD-10 code changes for this year as well as HCC coding basics. Updates for ICD-10-CM this year include 273 new codes, 30 revised codes and 21 deleted codes, effective October 1, 2019, which will increase the code set from 71,932 to 72,184. The chapters with the most changes are as follows:

- **Chapter 9: Diseases of the Circulatory System (I00-I99)**
  - 30 new codes
  - 2 revised codes
  - 2 deletions

New codes added to improve reporting specificity of phlebitis and thrombophlebitis, acute embolism and thrombosis and chronic embolism and thrombosis. There are a few additional new codes, deleted codes and revised codes elsewhere in this chapter serve to improve specificity of existing diagnoses, as well.
- **Chapter 12: Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue (L00-L99)**
  - 25 new codes

New codes were added to this chapter to report pressure-induced deep tissue damage with more anatomical specificity.
- **Chapter 17: Congenital malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities**
  - 31 new codes
  - 10 deletions

New codes were added to this chapter for increased specificity of anatomical location.
- **Chapter 19: Injury, Poisoning and Certain other**

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## Consequences of External Causes (S00-T88)

- 87 new codes
- 9 revised codes
- 3 deletions

Under category S02 Fracture of skull and facial bones, 60 new codes were added to describe with more specificity injuries to the orbital roof, medial or lateral orbital wall, or orbit. Under Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (T07-T88), you'll find revisions to underdosing codes T40.9- to include [hallucinogens]; and 27 new codes for poisoning, adverse effects, underdosing of multiple unspecified drugs, and heatstroke. Three less-specific heatstroke codes are being deleted.

- Chapter 20: External Causes of Morbidity (V00-Y99)
  - 75 new codes
  - 3 revised codes

In this chapter the new codes are for injuries sustained during a legal intervention. Many of the additions are to be used to indicate that an unspecified person was injured.
- Chapter 21: Factors Influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00-Z99)
  - 13 new codes
  - 2 revised codes

New codes added for factors influencing health status and contact with health services.

Please review all chapters relevant to your department and division to familiarize yourself with new or edited codes and add to favorite's lists in the EHR as necessary.

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## Identifying Info on Documentation

Each page of every patient's medical record should contain identifying information such as name, date of birth, and the date of the encounter. Documents created in the EHR should already contain these elements however any scanned documentation, particularly documentation that is front and back, needs to have identification on each page. Often we find that the first page contains patient information and each page thereafter does not. If a document is faxed or mailed and individual pages are misplaced they will not be identifiable without the aforementioned elements.

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## e-PHI Security Tip

Choosing the correct billing FSC is another important way to protect patient information. Choosing the wrong FSC could direct patient claims to the incorrect destination which would constitute an impermissible disclosure of PHI and in some cases a breach.

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## Lunch Discussion Session November

**Topic:** Preparing for and Responding to Internal and External Audits

**Who Should Attend:** Managers, providers and staff responsible for medical records.

**Date and Location:**

Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 12-1:00 pm in HH 223

Please RSVP to Laura Brower at [browerl@evms.edu](mailto:browerl@evms.edu) or 451-6202 and feel free to bring your lunch!