Thoracic Surgery — Recording of Clinical Stage for Lung Cancer and Esophageal Cancer Resection

Coding Specifications

Codes required to document patient has lung or esophageal cancer and a procedure for resection of the lung or esophagus occurred:

A line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis code for lung or esophageal cancer and a CPT Procedure code for resection of the lung or esophagus are required to identify patients to be included in this measure.

All measure-specific coding should be reported ON THE SAME CLAIM.

Lung or esophageal cancer line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes

- 150.3, 150.4, 150.5 (malignant neoplasm of esophagus),
- 162.2, 162.3, 162.4, 162.5 (malignant neoplasm of bronchus or lung)

AND

CPT service codes

- 32440, 32442, 32445 (removal of lung, total pneumonectomy),
- 32480, 32482, 32484, 32486, 32488, 32500 (removal of lung, other than total pneumonectomy),
- 32503, 32504 (resection of apical lung tumor),
- 32657 (thoracoscopy, surgical, with wedge resection of lung),
- 32663 (thoracoscopy, surgical, with lobectomy),
- 43107, 43108, 43112, 43113 (total or near total esophagectomy),
- 43117, 43118, 43121, 43122, 43123 (partial esophagectomy)

Quality codes for this measure:

G-code descriptors

(Data collection sheet should be used to determine appropriate code.)

- *G8518:* Clinical stage prior to surgery for lung cancer and esophageal cancer resection was recorded
- *G8519:* Clinician documented that patient was not eligible for clinical stage prior to surgery for lung cancer and esophageal cancer resection measure *(Note: includes urgent and emergent surgeries)*
- *G8520:* Clinical stage prior to surgery for lung cancer and esophageal cancer resection was not recorded, reason not specified