Pharmacologic Therapy

Coding Specifications

Codes required to document patient has asthma and a visit occurred:

A line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis code for asthma and a CPT E/M service code are required to identify patients to be included in this measure.

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

Asthma line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes

493.00, 493.01, 493.02, 493.10, 493.11, 493.12, 493.20, 493.21, 493.22, 493.81, 493.82, 493.90, 493.91, 493.92 (asthma)

AND

CPT E/M service codes

- 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 (office new patient),
- 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215 (office established patient),
- 99241, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245 (outpatient consult)

Quality codes for this measure:

CPT II Code descriptors

(Data collection sheet should be used to determine appropriate code or combination of codes.)

- *CPT II 1039F*: Intermittent Asthma
- *CPT II 1038F*: Persistent asthma (mild, moderate or severe)
- *CPT II 4015F*: Persistent asthma, preferred long term control medication or acceptable alternative treatment prescribed
- *CPT II 4015F-2P*: Documentation of patient reason(s) for not prescribing either the preferred long-term control medication or an acceptable alternative treatment
- *CPT II 4015F-8P*: Persistent asthma, preferred long term control medication or acceptable alternative treatment not prescribed, reason not otherwise specified

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