

Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection (URI): Avoidance of Inappropriate Use

Coding Specifications

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

A line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis code for URI 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.

URI line item ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes

- 460 (acute nasopharyngitis),
- 465.0 (acute laryngopharyngitis),
- 465.8 (other multiple sites),
- 465.9 (unspecified site)

AND

CPT E/M service codes

- 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 (office — new patient),
- 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215 (office — established patient),
- 99217 (hospital observation discharge services),
- 99218, 99219, 99220 (initial observation care),
- 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.)

- **CPT II 4124F:** Antibiotic neither prescribed nor dispensed
- **CPT II 4120F-1P:** Documentation of medical reason(s) for prescribing or dispensing antibiotic
- **CPT II 4120F:** Antibiotic prescribed or dispensed

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