

ICD-10-PCS Reference Manual

2015 Version Summary of Changes

The ICD-10-PCS Reference Manual changes for the annual update from public comment and internal review are listed below. Page numbers given refer to the FY2015 version.

Page ix Sentence added

The sentence “This version updated for FY2015.” was added.

Page 29 Typographical error

The heading “0 Central Nervous System” was revised to “2 Heart and Great Vessels” in the line below:

“2 HEART AND GREAT VESSELS (Body system)”

Page 45 Coding exercises added

The root operation Extraction coding exercises below were inadvertently omitted in a previous update, and were added to the end of the portion discussing the root operation Extraction as below:

Coding exercises

Using the ICD-10-PCS Tables, construct the code that accurately represents the procedure performed.

1. Forceps total mouth extraction, upper and lower teeth: 0CDWXZ2, 0CDXXZ2
2. Removal of left thumbnail: 0HDQXZZ (No separate body part value is given for thumbnail, so this is coded to Fingernail.)
3. Extraction of right intraocular lens without replacement, percutaneous: 08DJ3ZZ
4. Laparoscopy with needle aspiration of ova for in-vitro fertilization: 0UDN4ZZ
5. Non-excisional debridement of skin ulcer, right foot: 0HDMXZZ
6. Open stripping of abdominal fascia, right side: 0JD80ZZ
7. Hysteroscopy with D&C, diagnostic: 0UDB8ZX
8. Liposuction for medical purposes, left upper arm: 0JDF3ZZ (The Percutaneous approach is inherent in the liposuction technique.)
9. Removal of tattered right ear drum fragments with tweezers: 09D77ZZ
10. Microincisional phlebectomy of spider veins, right lower leg: 06DY3ZZ

Page 57 Coding note revised

The coding note was revised as shown below:

Coding note: body system value

For procedures involving transfer of tissue layers such as skin, fascia and muscle, the procedure is coded to the body system value that describes the deepest tissue layer in the flap. When the tissue transferred is composed of more than one tissue layer, the qualifier can be used to describe the other tissue layers, if any, being transferred.

For transfer procedures classified to other body systems such as peripheral nervous system, the body part value specifies the body part that is the source of the transfer (“from”). Where qualifiers are available, they specify the destination of the transfer (“to”).

Page 57 Coding exercise 1 revised

The word “hand” was deleted in the exercise below:

“Right open palmaris longus tendon transfer”

Answer revised from 0LX70ZZ to 0LX50ZZ

Page 66 Example revised

The “Port-a-cath placement” coding example was revised as below:

Character 4, Body Part Chest, “V” was revised to “6”.

The second table excerpt in the example displaying code 0JH60WZ was deleted.

Page 72 Coding exercise 4 revised

Answer revised from 0BP1XFZ to 0BP1XDZ

Page 77 Coding exercise 4 revised

Answer revised from 0W3C0ZZ to 0W3D0ZZ

Page 90 Coding exercise 6 revised

Answer revised from 3E0S33Z to “3E0S33Z and 3E0U3NZ”

Comment following answer revised to “(Steroid is coded to the substance value Anti-inflammatory.)”

Page 96 Coding exercise 2 revised

The word “UV” was removed from the exercise below:

Bili-lite phototherapy, series treatment:

Answer revised from 6A801ZZ to 6A651ZZ

Page 109 Coding note revised

The coding note was revised as shown below:

Coding note: Device Fitting

The fifth character used in Device Fitting procedures describes the device being fitted rather than the method used to fit the device. Where definitions of devices are provided, they are located in the definitions portion of the ICD-10-PCS Tables and Index, under section F, character 5.

Page 126 Paragraphs revised

The paragraphs under the heading “Equipment and location” were revised as shown below:

“Equipment is also distinguished from a device in PCS by the fact that equipment resides primarily outside the body during the procedure. Cardiopulmonary circulatory support is coded to the Extracorporeal Assistance and Performance section and the type of equipment used is not recorded in the PCS code. With cardiovascular support equipment, the machinery resides primarily outside the body. The outtake and return cannulae are the only portions of the machine directly connected to the patient.

Hemodialysis is also coded to the Extracorporeal Assistance and Performance section and the equipment used is not recorded in the PCS code. As with cardiovascular support equipment, the hemodialysis machine resides primarily outside the body. The blood lines connected to the patient’s dialysis fistula are the only portion of the machine directly connected to the patient. Insertion of the lines into the fistula are not coded as a separate device insertion procedure, because establishing vascular access is the interface between the patient and the equipment used to perform the procedure, rather than an end in itself.

On the other hand, insertion of a vascular catheter to give a patient a blood transfusion is the central objective of the procedure. The vascular catheter in such cases is classified as a device..”

Page 127 Bullet point text revised

The third bullet point under the heading “Device” was revised as shown below:

Removability: In most cases, capable of being removed from the procedure site

The first bullet point under the heading “Substance” was revised as shown below:

Procedural objective: Administration of the substance is the procedural objective

The second bullet point under the heading “Substance” was revised as shown below:

Location: A liquid or blood product has no fixed position, but is intended to be absorbed or dispersed

The third bullet point under the heading “Substance” was revised as shown below:

Removability: A liquid or blood product may not be removable once dispersed or absorbed

The second bullet point under the heading “Equipment” was revised as shown below:

Location: Resides primarily outside the body, though interfaces with the body via tube or other means