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Reminder: BWC's grace period to accept ICD-9 codes on bills expires Dec. 31

You must submit bills for dates of service after Dec. 31, 2015, using only ICD-10 codes. As of Jan. 1, BWC's managed care organizations (MCOs) will deny bills not meeting this requirement with EOB – Payment is denied as billed diagnosis code is not valid on the date of service.

If this occurs, you must bill again with the appropriate ICD-10 code. Also, remember to code what you treat, and check your electronic website account for conditions BWC allows.

For help with BWC specific ICD-10 coding, please visit the medical provider services section of our [website](#).

Coding tips for traumatic injury conditions and chronic (non-traumatic) conditions

When assigning a code for an acute condition because of a trauma (injury), the ICD-10 code should start with the first character S or T from injury chapter 19. (This includes conditions such as fracture, contusion, laceration, abrasion, burn, dislocation/subluxation, meniscus tear, sprain, strain, etc.)

Assign ICD-10 codes that start with the first character M for chronic conditions such as arthritis, osteoarthritis, old/degenerative tears, chondromalacia, recurrent dislocation, etc.

- . If a condition is a result of trauma/injury, select the code from Injury Chapter 19 (example: fracture, traumatic OR

pneumothorax, traumatic).

Example 1: **S27.0xxA** - Pneumothorax (**traumatic**) – acute injury
VS. **J93.83** pneumothorax (**spontaneous**) - not a result of the
injury

Example 2: Assign the ICD-10 code for complete/partial **traumatic**
rotator cuff tear or strain of **muscle/tendon**, with S46.011A (right
shoulder) and S46.012A (left shoulder). This includes infraspinatus,
supraspinatus, subscapularis and minor teres muscle/tendon. For
complete/partial **traumatic** rotator cuff **capsule** sprain or tear,
assign a code S43.421A (right shoulder) and S43.422A (left
shoulder).

Ohio Workers' Compensation Medical and Health Symposium: March 10-11, Greater Columbus Convention Center

We're pleased to invite you to a free educational opportunity
focusing on pain and neuromusculoskeletal management. The two-
day symposium features leading national and state experts, and
runs in conjunction with BWC's Ohio Safety Congress & Expo.

A combination of lectures and interactive panel discussions will
offer the latest information on best practices for safe and effective
medical and surgical management. Continuing education credits
are pending for the following licensed health-care professionals:

- Physicians;
- Chiropractors;
- Nurses;
- Vocational rehabilitation (CRC, CCM and CDMS).

We look forward to seeing you in March. Registration opens in
January. For more information, call BWC's provider contact center
at 1-800-644-6292, options 0-3-0, or send an [email](#).

Together, we can make a difference in the care of Ohio's injured
workers – at home and at work.

Ohio State Chiropractic Board update: stay on premises when unlicensed staff provides services

We're reminding our chiropractic providers that you need to be on

the premises when unlicensed personnel are providing specific services to patients. This requirement is in place to assure your staff is supervised appropriately under [Ohio Administrative Code rule 4734-8-02](#), and promotes the quality of care provided with your expertise close by.

The [November Ohio State Chiropractic Board newsletter](#) includes a highlighted article about supervision of unlicensed personnel, detailing specifics to assure compliance. Reference this edition as needed and contact the State Chiropractic Board if you have questions. We appreciate your care for Ohio's workforce.

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