

Code for Services

ICD-10-CM Coding for Encounters Related to COVID-19

Because some service cost sharing will be waived for COVID-19 testing and treatment, it is important to use the appropriate ICD10CM codes:

- J12.89 (other viral pneumonia)
- J20.8 (acute bronchitis due to other specified organisms)
- J80 (acute respiratory distress syndrome)
- J98.8 (other specified respiratory disorders)

To define the specified virus with the above diagnoses, use B97.29 (other corona virus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere)

- Z03.818 (encounter for observation for suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out)
- Z20.828 (contact with and suspected exposure to other viral communicable diseases)

Use appropriate codes for the signs and symptoms, e.g., R05 (cough), R06.02 (shortness of breath), or R50.9 (fever, unspecified)

NOTE: Do NOT use B34.2 (coronavirus infection, unspecified) because COVID-19 would not be unspecified.

ACP updates advice on billing and coding for Covid-19 on the [ACP Covid-19 Management Tips](#) site.