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Reflux Coding Tips

ICD-9-CM

530.81 **Reflux – esophageal/gastroesophagea**l (Note: ICD-9-CM does not differentiate between GER and GERD.)

530.11 **Reflux – esophagitis**

Effective October 1, 2014 ICD-10-CM takes effect.

ICD-10-CM

*K21.0 **Reflux esophagitis –** Gastro-esophageal reflux disease **with** esophagitis

*K21.9 **Esophageal reflux NOS –** Gastro-esophageal reflux disease **without** esophagitis

Code Crosswalk: ICD-9-CM to ICD-10-CM

530.81 crosswalks to code *K21.9 **Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis – Esophageal reflux NOS**

530.11 crosswalks to code *K21.0 **Gastroesophageal reflux disease with esophagitis – Reflux esophagitis**

*P78.83 **Perinatal reflux:** Patient 28 days of age or less OR who is over 28 days of age but the problem began before 28 days of age

Example: Baby presents at 2 weeks with reflux. The physician documents the baby has reflux; Code P78.83 is used. Baby returns after a few weeks and up until 3 months of age (as an example) with the same symptoms of reflux. Because this condition began when the baby was less than 28 days old, the P78.83 is used throughout the duration even though the patient's current age is over 28 days.

*New for ICD-10-CM

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