

Revisions to the National Health Interview Survey Medical Coding Manual, 1969-1978:

1. **Section III, page 17:** new content added 12/3/1970 after "...even though possibly not listed also on the hospital page.":

"However, if the operation is for removal of any of the extremities or sites listed in X20-X39 which result in a permanent impairment (such as removal of breast) only the impairment is to be coded if the operation was performed more than 1 year ago."

2. **Section IV, page 24:** new content added 2/5/1971 after "For acute codable active infections or inflammations NOT in 000-136, which are reported as due to or with acute codable infections in 000-136,":

"(except 0.79.9)"

3. **Section V, page 28:** new/revised content added in two areas 8/4/1971:

first area, original text: "Can -- see well enough to read ordinary newspaper print (with glasses)?"

revised text: "Can -- see well enough to read ordinary newspaper print (with glasses) with his left eye? With his right eye?"

second area, original text: "However, if the "seeing" question says "no", use X00, even though only one eye may be involved."

revised text: "However, if the "seeing" question says "no", for both left and right eye, use X00. If the answer is "no" for only one eye, use X01 or X02, whichever is applicable for this condition."

4. **Section V, page 29:** new content added in two areas 10/19/1971:

first area, original text: "If the answer to the "seeing" question is "no", use X00 regardless of the description of the case elsewhere. If "yes", X00 must not be used."

revised text: "If the answer to the "seeing" question is "no" for both eyes use X00 regardless of the description of the case elsewhere. If "yes" to either eye, X00 must not be used."

second area, original text: "When X00 is not applicable, and the answer is "yes", "DK", or is blank,"

revised text: "When X00 is not applicable, and the answer is "yes", "DK", or is blank for either eye,"

5. **Section V, page 32:** new content added in two areas 8/4/1971:

first area, original text: "Use X07 for all other cases of hearing loss in both ears."

revised text: "Use X07 for all other cases of hearing loss or impairment in both ears."

second area, original text: "Use X09 for all cases of hearing loss, complete or partial,"

revised text: "Use X09 for all cases of hearing loss, complete or partial, or impairment"

6. **Section V, page 42:** new/revised content added 8/4/1971, 10/19/1971:

original text: "If they are to be coded and 1 in X70-X79 is also present, as a general rule ignore X70-X79 unless the latter seems to be more disabling."

revised text: "If they are to be coded and 1 in X70-X79 is also present, as a general rule code the one in X80-X89 if the impairment in X70-X79 and the deformity in X80-X89 are in the same body system (i.e., both refer to the same body part). Code both X70-X79 (impairment) and X80-X89 (deformity) if different body parts are involved."

7. **Section V, page 43:** new/revised content added 8/4/1971:

original text:

"c. Congenitally deformed hip and leg, and back trouble-cause DK: code X85.X only."

revised text:

"c. Congenitally deformed hip and leg, and back trouble-cause DK: code X85.X and X709.

d: Congenitally deformed hand and weak hand: Code X88X."

8. **Section VI, page 47:** new content added 8/4/1971 after "...as shown in the Accident Table.":

"For those conditions with onset (of the injury) 3+ months, code from present effects of the injury. For those with onset -3 months, code from kind of injury except as in rules 2-5 below."

9. Appendix I, page 9: new/revised content added 8/4/1971:

original text:

"X07 Hearing loss not codable to X06, involving both ears

X08 All hearing impairments involving only one ear

X09 Hearing loss, complete or partial, for which it is impossible to determine whether one or both ears are involved

revised text:

"X07 Hearing loss or impairment involving both ears not codable to X06

X08 All hearing loss or impairment involving only one ear

X09 Hearing loss, complete or partial, or impairment for which it is impossible to determine whether one or both ears are involved

10. Appendix III, page 23: new content added 2/5/1971:

original text: "...reported with or as due to an acute concurrent infection codable to 000-136 will be coded as 000-136 only."

revised text: "...reported with or as due to an acute concurrent infection codable to 000-136 (except 079.9) will be coded as 000-136, (except 079.9) only."

11. Short Index, Diseases, Injuries, Impairments, page 27: new content added 8/4/1971 after "no disability or effects-don't code":

"with disability or effects, see orthopedic impairment"