

ABSCESS, FURUNCLE AND CARBUNCLE

The following are important documentation tips and strategies for this disease/condition as required by the specificity needed in ICD-10:

- Specify the site (e.g., face, buttock, foot, anal region, etc.).
- State the laterality when applicable (e.g., right or left).
- Identify any organism or infectious agent causing the problem (e.g., Staph aureus, MRSA, E. coli, etc.).
- Ascertain any underlying conditions (e.g., foreign body, Crohn's disease, trauma, etc.).