

ATELECTASIS

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

- Requires confirmation from the attending physician of its significance and the necessity for further diagnostic or therapeutic work up.
- Cannot be coded based solely on radiological findings.
- Identify when it occurs in a newborn.
- List the underlying causal disease(s) or condition(s) and link to the atelectasis (e.g., tuberculosis causing atelectasis).