

BLINDNESS

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

- Identify the underlying condition associated with any Visual impairment (e.g., vitamin A deficiency, status post-CVA, etc.).
- List the cause of blindness.
- Specify laterality (i.e., right or left) of eye condition(s).
- Delineate when vision is different in both eyes (e.g., normal vision right eye and left eye blindness, etc.).
- Indicate the type of blindness (e.g., transient, sudden, day, night, color, etc.).
- Visual impairment categories 1 & 2 equal low vision and 3, 4, & 5 equal blindness..