

## CELLULITIS AND ACUTE LYMPHANGITIS

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

- Specify the anatomic location (e.g., abdominal wall, groin, toe, etc.).
- State the laterality when applicable (i.e., 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.).
- Detail any related trauma (e.g., dog bite, motorcycle wreck, etc.).