

## **COPD (CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE)**

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

- COPD classification includes chronic obstructive bronchitis, chronic bronchitis with airway obstruction, chronic bronchitis with emphysema, and chronic obstructive tracheobronchitis.
- Specify any acute exacerbations.
- Detail any acute lower respiratory infections and include the infectious agent.
- Delineate COPD from asthmatic conditions (e.g., mild intermittent asthma, severe persistent cough variant asthma, etc.).
- List any related tobacco use, abuse, dependence, past history, or exposure (e.g., second hand, occupational, etc.).