

## GOUT

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

- List the acuity (i.e., acute or chronic).
- Clarify the type of gout as being:
  - Idiopathic.
  - Due to renal impairment.
  - Other secondary chronic gout.
  - Lead or drug-induced.
  - Detail the mindset (e.g., unintentional, intentional, assault, undetermined).
  - State the drug causing the gout (e.g., HCTZ, niacin, ASA, cyclosporine, etc.).
- Identify the joint and side of the body affected (e.g., right knee, left elbow, etc.).
- Provide information regarding any associated disease (e.g., hypothyroidism, psoriasis, end stage renal failure, etc.).
- Indicate the presence or absence of tophi.