

## NEWBORN AND PERINATAL CONDITIONS

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

- Specify any abnormalities in fetal size and health that can be attributed to variations in gestation age (e.g., small for gestational age, 36 wks, 2312 gm).
- Differentiate community-acquired versus conditions related to the birth process (e.g., congenital pneumonia due to strep B).
- Detail maternal conditions, whether pregnancy-related or otherwise (e.g., traumatic injury, surgical procedure), that have an impact on the health of the newborn (e.g., low birth weight attributed to heavy maternal smoking during pregnancy).
- Clarify any neonatal condition that has implications for future healthcare needs.