

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

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

- Indicate the underlying cause or list the definitive diagnosis of any sign or symptom when known (e.g., headache secondary to increased vision loss).
- Identify any signs or symptoms associated with the use Of alcohol, drugs, medications, or other environmental influences.
- List any sign or symptom suspected to be of a psychosomatic nature (e.g., anxiety-induced chest pain).
- Identify signs or symptoms necessitating diagnostic services (e.g., syncope).
- Differentiate routine, regularly scheduled checkups with Lab and/or radiology testing with no signs or symptoms or other associated diagnosis from evaluations when signs and symptoms are present (e.g., annual mammo-gram with palpable mass lower outer quadrant of left breast).