



URETER AND URETHRAL STRICTURE

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

- Specify any hydronephrosis, vesicoureteral reflux, hydroureter, or pyelonephritis.
- Clarify urethral strictures as being congenital, post-procedural, post-traumatic, or post-infective.
 - *Report the location of a male urethral stricture (e.g., meatal, bulbous, membranous, anterior)*
 - *Report the cause of a female urethral stricture (e.g., childbirth)*
- Clarify obstruction versus stricture.
- State the laterality when applicable (i.e., unilateral or bilateral).
- Identify the underlying cause (e.g., gout, gonococcal) or state “unknown etiology.”
- List the location of calculi.