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#### **Learning Objectives**

As a result of this Continuing Education Activity, participants will be able to:

- List the implementation date of ICD10
- List the common ICD10 codes used in audiology
- Describe how to locate ICD10 codes when presented with an uncommon diagnosis

#### **ICD-10**

- Goes into effect October 1, 2015
- It is JUST a new set of codes that replaces ICD-9
  - It is simple...nothing to be afraid of.
  - Just select or circle the code with the correct description.
  - There will be just more codes.
    - Mostly, in our case, to better distinguish right ear, versus left ear, versus binaural.
  - Look for available trainings and materials from the national associations of which you are a member:
    - <a href="http://www.audiologist.org/publications20/reimbursement/codi">http://www.audiologist.org/publications20/reimbursement/codi</a>
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    - <a href="http://www.asha.org/practice/reimbursement/coding/icd-10/">http://www.asha.org/practice/reimbursement/coding/icd-10/</a>
    - http://www.audiology.org/practice/coding/ICD-10-CM/Pages/default.aspx

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## Differences between ICD-9 and ICD-10

- 69,000 plus codes
- Addition of information
- Creation of diagnostic/symptom codes
- Code length up to 7 characters
- · Greater specificity allowed
- V and E codes changed to 7 character code
- Alphanumeric (except letter U)

#### **ICD-10**

- You will need to:
  - Consult your local coverage determinations and PQRS measures to note how ICD-10 influences those programs.
  - Train your **PROVIDERS** on the codes and their correct uses.

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#### ICD 10 Lingo

- Initial encounter: First time you see the patient for this diagnosis
- Subsequent encounter: Second time you see the patient for this diagnosis
- Long-term follow-up: The third visit and beyond for a single patient for this diagnosis
- Unrestricted: Normal

- H93.293 Abnormal auditory perception, bilateral
- H93.292 Abnormal auditory perception, left ear
- H93.291 Abnormal auditory perception, right ear
- H93.8X3 Acoustic nerve disorder, bilateral
- H93.8X2 Acoustic nerve disorder, left ear
- H93.8X1 Acoustic nerve disorder, right ear
- H61.113 Acquired deformity of pinna, bilateral
- H61.112 Acquired deformity of pinna, left ear
- H61.111 Acquired deformity of pinna, right ear

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- H61.303 Acquired stenosis of external ear canal, bilateral
- H61.302 Acquired stenosis of external ear canal, left ear
- H61.301 Acquired stenosis of external ear canal, right ear
- H93.213 Auditory recruitment, bilateral
- H93.212 Auditory recruitment, left ear
- H93.211 Auditory recruitment, right ear
- Q16.1 Aural atresia
- T70.0XXA Barotrauma, initial encounter
- T70.0XXS Barotrauma, long-term follow-up
- T70.0XXD Barotrauma, subsequent encounter
- G51.0 Bell's Palsy
- H81.13 Benign paroxysmal vertigo, bilateral
- H81.12 Benign paroxysmal vertigo, left ear
- H81.11 Benign paroxysmal vertigo, right ear

- H93.25 Central auditory processing disorder
- H90.0 Conductive hearing loss, bilateral
- H90.12 Conductive hearing loss, left ear, unrestricted hearing in right ear
- H90.11 Conductive hearing loss, right ear, unrestricted hearing in left ear
- H90.2 Conductive hearing loss, unspecified
- R62.0 Delayed milestone in childhood
- H93.223 Diplacusis, bilateral
- H93.222 Diplacusis, left ear
- H93.221 Diplacusis, right ear
- R42 Dizziness
- H69.93 Eustachian tube disorder, unspecified, bilateral
- H69.92 Eustachian tube disorder, unspecified, left ear
- H69.91 Eustachian tube disorder, unspecified, right ear

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- H61.813 Exostosis, bilateral
- H61.812 Exostosis, left ear
- H61.811 Exostosis, right ear
- Z82.2 Family history of hearing loss
- T16.2XXA Foreign body in left ear, initial encounter
- T16.2XXD Foreign body in left ear, subsequent encounter
- T16.1XXA Foreign body in right ear, initial encounter
- T16.1XXD Foreign body in right ear, subsequent encounter

- Z01.12 Hearing conservation and treatment
- Z01.110 Hearing examination following failed hearing screening
- Z01.10 Hearing/vestibular examination without abnormal findings
- Z01.118 Hearing/vestibular examination with other abnormal findings
- H61.123 Hematoma of pinna, bilateral
- H61.122 Hematoma of pinna, left ear
- H61.121 Hematoma of pinna, right ear

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- H93.233 Hyperacusis, bilateral
- H93.232 Hyperacusis, left ear
- H93.231 Hyperacusis, right ear
- H61.23 Impacted cerumen, bilateral
- H61.22 Impacted cerumen, left ear
- H61.21 Impacted cerumen, right ear
- H83.13 Labyrinthine fistula, bilateral
- H83.12 Labyrinthine fistula, left ear
- H83.11 Labyrinthine fistula, right ear
- Z76.5 Malingering
- H81.03 Meniere's disease, bilateral
- H81.02 Meniere's disease, left ear
- H81.01 Meniere's disease, right ear

- H90.6 Mixed hearing loss, bilateral
- H90.72 Mixed hearing loss, left ear, unrestricted hearing in right ear
- H90.71 Mixed hearing loss, right ear, unrestricted hearing in left ear
- H90.8 Mixed hearing loss, unspecified
- H83.3X3 Noise effects on inner ear, bilateral
- H83.3X2 Noise effects on inner ear, left ear
- H83.3X1 Noise effects on inner ear, right ear
- H61.192 Noninfective disorders of pinna, left ear
- H61.191 Noninfective disorders of pinna, right ear
- H61.193 Noninfective disorders of pinna, bilateral

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- H92.03 Otalgia, bilateral
- H92.02 Otalgia, left ear
- H92.01 Otalgia, right ear
- H92.13 Otorrhea, bilateral
- H92.12 Otorrhea, left ear
- H92.11 Otorrhea, right ear
- H72.93 Perforation of tympanic membrane, bilateral
- H72.92 Perforation of tympanic membrane, left ear
- H72.91 Perforation of tympanic membrane, right ear

- H91.03 Ototoxic hearing loss, bilateral\*\*
- H91.02 Ototoxic hearing loss, left ear\*\*
- H91.01 Ototoxic hearing loss, right ear\*\*
  - · Code poisoning or adverse effect
- T36.5X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, aminoglycosides, initial encounter
- T36.5X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, aminoglycosides, long term follow-up
- T36.5X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, aminoglycosides, subsequent encounter
- T37.2X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, antimalarials, initial encounter
- T37.2X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, antimalarials, long term follow-up
- T37.2X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, antimalarials, subsequent encounter
- T45.1X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, antineoplastic, initial encounter
- T45.1X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, antineoplastic, long term follow-up
- T45.1X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, antineoplastic, subsequent encounter

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- T39.015A Poisoning, adverse effect, aspirin, initial encounter
- T39.015S Poisoning, adverse effect, aspirin, long term follow-up
- T39.015D Poisoning, adverse effect, aspirin, subsequent encounter
- T50.1X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, loop diuretic, initial encounter
- T50.1X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, loop diuretic, long term follow-up
- T50.1X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, loop diuretic, subsequent encounter
- T36.3X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, macolides, initial encounter
- T36.3X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, macolides, long term follow-up
- T36.3X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, macolides, subsequent encounter
- T46.7X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, vasodilators, initial encounter
- T46.7X5S Poisoning, adverse effect, vasodilators, long term follow-up
- T46.7X5D Poisoning, adverse effect, vasodilators, subsequent encounter

- H90.3 Sensorineural hearing loss, bilateral
- H90.42 Sensorineural hearing loss, left ear, unrestricted hearing in right ear
- H90.41 Sensorineural hearing loss, right ear, unrestricted hearing in left ear
- H90.2 Sensorineural hearing loss, unspecified
- F80.4 Speech and language delay due to hearing loss
- H91.23 Sudden idiopathic hearing loss, bilateral
- H91.22 Sudden idiopathic hearing loss, left ear
- H91.21 Sudden idiopathic hearing loss, right ear
- H93.13 Tinnitus, bilateral
- H93.12 Tinnitus, left ear
- H93.11 Tinnitus, right ear

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#### **ICD-10 Examples**

- H93.013 Transient ischemic deafness, bilateral
- H93.012 Transient ischemic deafness, left ear
- H93.011 Transient ischemic deafness, right ear
- H31.313 Vertigo, aural, bilateral
- H31.312 Vertigo, aural, left ear
- H81.311 Vertigo, aural, right ear

- H81.43 Vertigo, central, bilateral
- H81.42 Vertigo, central, left ear
- H81.41 Vertigo, central, right ear
- H81.393 Vertigo, peripheral, bilateral
- H81.392 Vertigo, peripheral, left ear
- H81.391 Vertigo, peripheral, right ear

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### Different Hearing Losses in Different Ears

- H90.8 Mixed hearing loss, unspecified (mixed hearing loss in right ear)
- H90.5 Sensorineural hearing loss, unspecified (SNHL in left ear)

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# Toxicity from Viagra (vasodilator)

- H91.02 Ototoxic hearing loss, left ear
- T46.7X5A Poisoning, adverse effect, vasodilators, initial encounter
  - First test date

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#### **Normal Hearing**

•Z01.10 Hearing/vestibular examination without abnormal findings

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# ICD 9 "V" codes vs. ICD10 "Z" codes

- In ICD 9, use of many of the "V" codes (while appropriate) would drive a denial (because of medical necessity)
  - Especially if they were the only code used.
- In ICD 10, these codes have transitioned into the regular code set
  - As "Z" codes
- We have no idea how use of these codes will affect coverage
- The bottom line:
  - We should code diseases and conditions, as well as symptoms, whenever possible.
  - The "Z" codes should also be utilized when appropriate, especially the code related to failed screenings and family history of hearing loss.

#### **ICD10 Checklist**

- Review and read the materials being sent to you by the national associations of which you area member.
  - There will be many educational opportunities.
- Educate your staff and **PROVIDERS** on the new code set.
  - Do internal testing with your providers.
- Create a budget for ICD10 implementation costs.
- Update your EMR, OMS or paper superbills to list the new code set you will be utilizing in your practice.
- Do you have the financial resources to withstand slow payer payments as the result of ICD10 implementation?
  - May need a financial reserve.

#### **ICD10 Checklist**

- Resources
  - <a href="http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/ProviderResources.ht">http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/ProviderResources.ht</a> ml
  - http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD-10/Downloads/ICD-10MythsandFacts.pdf
  - <a href="http://www.roadto10.org/quick-references/">http://www.roadto10.org/quick-references/</a>
  - https://www.optum.com/icd-10-topic/icd-10-resources.html
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