

Special Bulletin

For professional providers

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ICD-10 Exclusionary Codes For Members Intolerant To Statin Therapy

For quality tracking and in accordance with Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) guidelines, providers can submit exclusionary ICD-10 codes on a claim when members with cardiovascular diseases are unable to tolerate statins due to certain myopathy, myositis, or myalgia diagnoses.

These codes will exclude members from this measure's eligible population, and therefore will not identify them as noncompliant or with a HEDIS gap in care.

List of ICD-10 Exclusionary Codes

The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has identified the exclusionary diagnoses ICD-10 codes below for patients with cardiovascular diseases that are intolerant to statin therapy.

ICD-10 EXCLUSION CODES	DEFINITION
G72.0	Drug-induced myopathy
G72.2	Myopathy due to other toxic agents
G72.9	Myopathy, unspecified
M60.80	Other Myositis, unspecified
M60.9	Myositis, unspecified
M62.82	Rhabdomyolysis
M79.10	Myalgia, unspecified site
M79.18	Myalgia, other site

NOTE: The clinical information provided is not intended to interfere with clinical or coding judgment.

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