

# ICD-10 REQUIRED Documentation for Specificity



## Burns

THE ICD-10 DOCUMENTER SERIES



### Documentation

Document type of burn	Document the extent of the body surface involved in the burn
Corrosion (i.e., burns due to acids, alkalines, caustics, or chemical, thermal (electricity, flame, gas/liquid/object heat, radiation, or steam or due to solar radiation (sunburn).	In terms of total body surface (TBSA): less than 10%, 20-29%, 30-39%, 40-49%, 50-59%, 60-69%, 70-70%, 80-89%, or more than 90%
Document site of burn	Document the agent and intent of the burn
If the burn is of a paired organ or body part, identify the laterality of the burned site (right, left, unspecified)	The agent identified must specify what caused the burn. The intent of the burn is described in terms of: accidental (unintentional), and intentional self-harm, assault
Document depth of burn	Initial encounters
First degree, second degree, third degree	Identify where the patient was when the burn occurred (i.e. kitchen, in school dormitory), as well as the patient's status (at work, volunteering, etc.)
Document episode of care	
Initial, subsequent, sequela	

### ICD-9 Codes

**942.24** Blisters, epidermal loss [second degree] of back [any part]

**948.00** Burn [any degree] involving less than 10 percent of body surface with third degree burn, less than 10 percent or unspecified

**E893.0** Accident caused by ignition of clothing from controlled fire in private dwelling

## **ICD-10 Codes**

Below are a few example ICD-10 codes selected to help display how the clinical features of this condition align with the documentation requirements of ICD-10.

**T20.20XA** Burn second degree of head, face, and neck, unsp site, init

**T20.211A** Burn of second degree of right ear, initial encounter

**T20.212A** Burn of second degree of left ear, initial encounter

**T20.22XA** Burn of second degree of lip(s), initial encounter

**T20.23XA** Burn of second degree of chin, initial encounter

**T20.24XA** Burn of second degree of nose (septum), initial encounter

**T20.25XA** Burn of second degree of scalp [any part], initial encounter

**T20.26XA** Burn of second degree of forehead and cheek, initial encounter

**T20.27XA** Burn of second degree of neck, initial encounter

**T21.23XD** Burn of second degree of upper back, subsequent encounter

**T31.0** Burns involving less than 10% of body surface

**X06.2XXD** Exposure to ignition of other clothing and apparel, subs