

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