Guide to Coding COVID-19

Patient presenting WITHOUT signs/symptoms of COVID-19

PATIENT EVALUATED FOR COVID-19

ACTUAL exposure to someone confirmed or suspected (not R/O'd) for COVID-19?

NO

YES

CONCERNED FOR POSSIBLE EXPOSURE to virus?

YES

NO

INDIVIDUAL HAS NO KNOWN OR SUSPECTED EXPOSURE

Results UNKNOWN or NEGATIVE at time of DC?

YES

ASSIGN Z20.828
Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral Communicable diseases

NO

RULED OUT at time of DC?

YES

ASSIGN Z03.818
Encounter for observation for suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out

NO

Results UNKNOWN or NEGATIVE at time of DC?

YES

ASSIGN Z11.59
Encounter for screening for other viral diseases

NO

COVID-19 infection in pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium?

YES

ASSIGN PDX O98.5-, Other viral disease complicating pregnancy ...;
ASSIGN 2DX U07.1, COVID-19;
CODE ALSO COVID-19 manifestations

NO

ASSIGN PDX U07.1
COVID-19

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Patient presenting WITH signs/symptoms of COVID-19

KNOWN COVID-19 positive patient?

NO

YES

PATIENT EVALUATED FOR COVID-19

Definitive DX of COVID-19 established?

YES

NO

Actual or suspected contact/exposure to someone with COVID-19?

YES

NO

Assign appropriate codes for signs/ symptoms;
ASSIGN Z20.828,
Contact with and (suspected) exposure...

Assign appropriate codes for signs / symptoms

COVID-19 meet definition of PDX?

NO

YES

Assign U07.1
COVID-19 as 2DX Code also COVID-19 manifestations / symptoms if present * **Assign also O98.5-** as additional DX IF pregnant/childbirth/puerperium

COVID-19 infection in pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium?

NO

YES

Is COVID-19-associated sepsis present?

NO

YES

Is COVID-19-associated sepsis present?

YES

NO

Assign PDX O98.5-
Other viral disease complicating pregnancy...;
Assign 2DX U07.1 COVID-19;
Code also A41.89, Other sepsis
Code also COVID-19 manifestations

Assign A41.89, Other specified Sepsis as PDX
Assign U07.1, COVID-19 as 2DX
Code also COVID-19
manifestations/symptoms if present

Assign PDX O98.5 -, Other viral disease complicating pregnancy...;
Assign 2DX U07.1, COVID-19;
Code also COVID-19 manifestations

Assign U07.1, COVID-19 as PDX
Code also COVID-19
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