




Selecting Appropriate Problems Using the Clinical Qualifier

Hello ETSU Health family! With over 70,000 ICD-10 codes and over 90,000 problem descriptions in Touchworks, it can be hard narrowing down the most appropriate diagnosis codes. We are always looking at ways to make searching easier and one way is by using the Clinical Qualifier. The Qualifier also helps with choosing the most specific HCC code.

1. To add a new problem for the patient, click



2. Enter the search criteria for the problem

3. If you see the  symbol next to the problem, this indicates that the Clinical Qualifier is available.

4. The Clinical Qualifier will open up and you will select the values appropriate for the problem. For example, if the problem you expanded was Gout, you can select the site, etiology, encounter type, chronicity, laterality, and presence of tophus. As you make your selections, the ICD-10 descriptions narrow down to the most appropriate option.

5. When the Clinical Qualifier narrows down completely, you can simply select the problem and it will add it to the patient's active problem list.

