



## Documentation and Coding Tips: Hypertension

**When documenting hypertension, specify (if applicable):**



- **Type:**
  - “essential hypertension”
  - “hypertension secondary to renal artery stenosis”
  - “renovascular hypertension”
  - “drug resistant”
  - “accelerated”
- **Systemic involvement:**
  - “hypertension with diastolic dysfunction”
  - “hypertension with heart failure” – be sure to state the type and severity of the heart failure
  - “hypertension with CKD (chronic kidney disease)” – be sure to note the stage of CKD
- **Underlying cause:**
  - Underlying renal conditions or hormonal disorders
  - Sedentary lifestyle
  - Excessive alcohol consumption
  - Stress
- **Tobacco use/exposure:** Any related tobacco use, abuse, dependence, past history or exposure (second hand, occupational, etc)

### Hypertensive Heart Disease

In ICD-10, there are two base codes for hypertensive heart disease:

- I11.0 (HCC 85) with heart failure
- I11.9 (no HCC) without heart failure



### Hypertensive CKD

In ICD-10, there are two base codes for hypertensive CKD:

- I12.0 (HCC 136) stage V or End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)
- I12.9 (no HCC) stage I-IV or unsp.

**If coding hypertensive heart disease with heart failure (I11.0), use an additional code to identify the type of heart failure (I50.1-I50.9)**

I50.1	Left ventricular failure, unspecified	I50.82	Biventricular heart failure
I50.2-	Systolic (congestive) heart failure *	I50.83	High output heart failure
I50.3-	Diastolic (congestive) heart failure *	I50.84	End stage heart failure
I50.4-	Combined systolic and diastolic heart failure *	I50.89	Other heart failure
I50.81-	Right heart failure **	I50.9	Heart failure, unspecified (congestive heart disease, congestive heart failure NOS[CHF])

\* Add 5th character: (1) acute, (2) chronic, (3) acute on chronic, (0) unspecified

\*\* Add 6th character: (1) acute, (2) chronic, (3) acute on chronic, (4) due to left heart failure, (0) unspecified