

Systemic Antimicrobial Therapy — Avoidance of Inappropriate Use

Coding Specifications

Codes required to document patient has acute otitis externa (AOE) and a visit occurred:

An ICD-9 diagnosis code for AOE and a CPT E/M service code are required to identify patients to be included in this measure.

AOE ICD-9 diagnosis codes

- 380.10, 380.11, 380.12, 380.13 (infective otitis externa),
- 380.22 (other otitis externa)

AND

CPT E/M service codes

- 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 (office — new patient),
- 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215 (office — established patient),
- 99241, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245 (outpatient consult)

Quality codes for this measure (one of the following for every eligible patient):

CPT II Code descriptors

(Data Collection sheet should be used to determine appropriate combination of codes.)

- **CPT II 4132F:** Systemic antimicrobial therapy not prescribed
- **CPT II 4131F-1P:** Documentation of medical reason(s) for prescribing systemic antimicrobial therapy
- **CPT II 4131F:** Systemic antimicrobial therapy prescribed

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