



## **ICD-10 Diagnosis Documentation Tips – Gynecology Oncology**

### **Infections:**

- State first location and type
- Indicate organism if known

### **Anatomy:**

- Document specific site(s) with anatomic specificity
  - Example: posterior cul-de-sac
- Document overlapping sites
  - Example: neoplasm involving endocervix and exocervix
- Document laterality where appropriate

## **ICD-10 [INPATIENT] Procedural Coding Tips – GYN Oncology**

ICD-10-PCS Characters: Every code includes all seven characters

**Section** – almost always medical/surgical, don't need to state

**Body system** – almost always female reproductive system

**Root operation** – describes the intent of the procedure

- **Resection** – removal of all of a body part
- **Excision** – removal of a portion of a body part
- **Destruction** – eradication of all or portion of body part by use of energy, force or destructive agent
- **Extraction** – pulling or stripping by the use of force (D&C)
- **Release** – freeing a body part from abnormal constraint
- **Restriction** – Partially closing an orifice or lumen of tubular body part (cervical cerclage)
- **Occlusion** – Completely closing an orifice or lumen of tubular body part (tubal ligation)



**Body part** – the specific body part (or subsection thereof) addressed in an operative procedure

**Approach** – open, percutaneous endoscopic, percutaneous endoscopic (laparoscopic), via natural opening

**Device** – describe the type or simply state the exact device(s) used for each part of the procedure (extraluminal clips)

**Qualifier** – not used much in gynecology section

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### **Recommendations:**

- List each distinct part of a procedure separately at the beginning of the operative note (component documentation)
- Radical Trachelectomy: *“radical trachelectomy is a complex surgical procedure that removes: the cervix, parametrium, pelvic lymph nodes, a portion of the vagina, and then connects the uterus to the vagina”*
- Component documentation results in coding of:
  - Resection cervix
  - Resection pelvic lymph nodes
  - Excision (part of) vagina

### **Lymphadenectomy:**

- Key documentation tip: (the entire lymphatic chain is the body part)
  - document resection for removal of the entire lymphatic chain
  - document excision for partial removal of the entire lymphatic chain