

Learning Objectives

IRF-PAI vs. UB-04 Coding: Closing the Communication Gap

- Discuss the need for a communication process between health information management (HIM), the inpatient rehabilitation unit (IRF), and patient financial services (PFS) to ensure agreement between the IRF-PAI and the UB-04.
- Identify necessary steps in the Prospective Payment System communication process.
- Discuss coding clarifications related to the impairment group code (IGC) and the etiologic diagnosis, including definitions of each.
- Discuss the differences in coding of comorbid conditions and complications for the IRF-PAI and the UB-04.
- Identify the communication necessary in the coding process related to interrupted stays, readmissions, and 1-day stays.
- Discuss the education of the IRF PPS rehabilitation coder.
- Apply concepts of coding to case examples.



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