



DME 101 for asthma management

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introduction

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- Angela has no financial conflict of interest.





PRIMARY GOAL

To educate learners about DME supplies and how to access them for patients with asthma, COPD, emphysema, etc.

ICD 10 DX CODES

ASTHMA J45.909

RSV B97.4

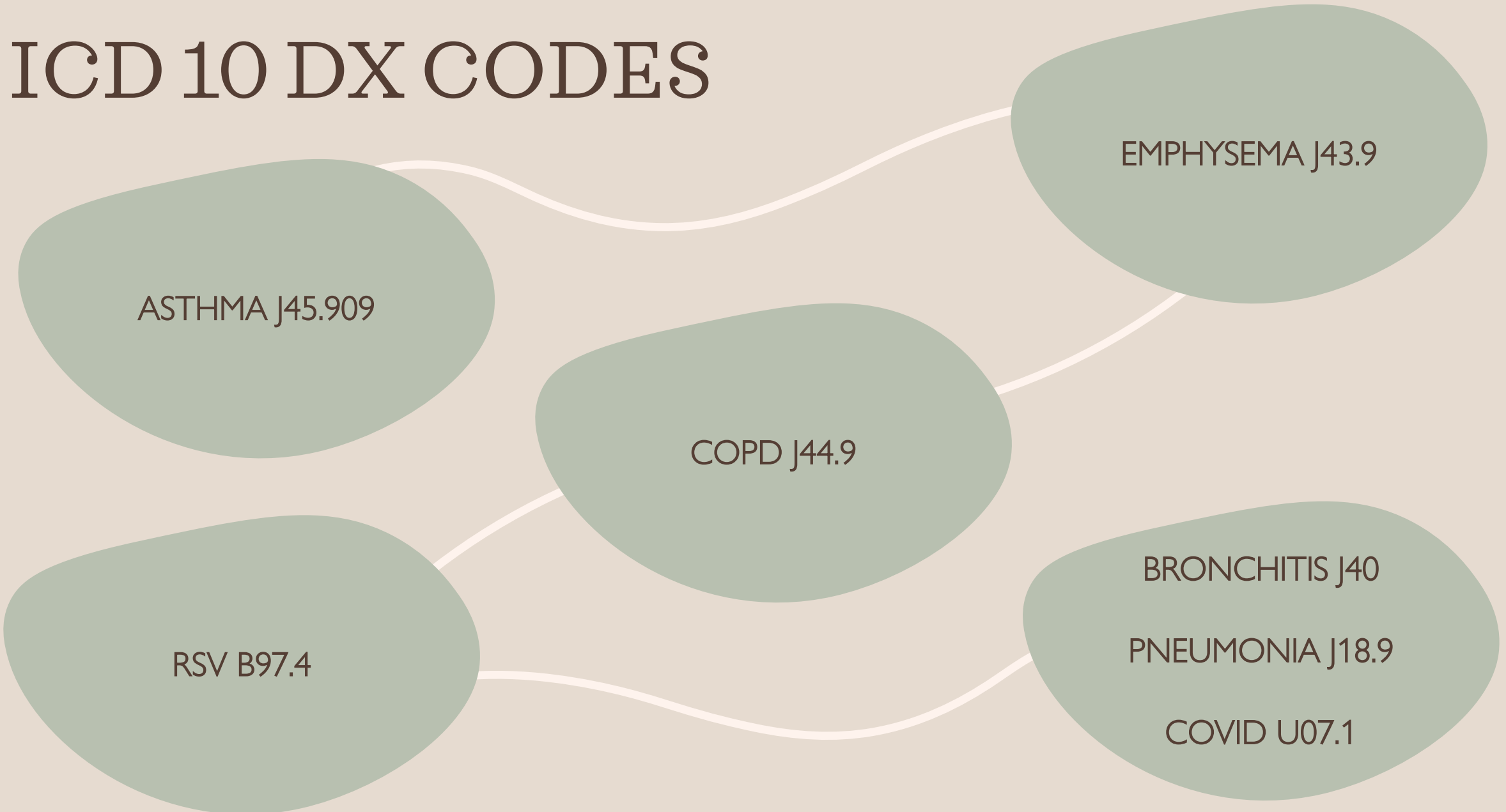
COPD J44.9

EMPHYSEMA J43.9

BRONCHITIS J40

PNEUMONIA J18.9

COVID U07.1



HCPCS/BILLING CODES FOR RESPIRATORY SUPPLIES

NEBULIZER: E0570

- ALLOWED ONE EVERY 5 YEARS W/SCRIPT
- 3 YR WARRANTIES ON MOST BRANDS
- THEY ARE NOT REPAIRABLE. IF IT BREAKS BETWEEN 3-5YRS THEY NEED A SCRIPT STATING TO REPLACE BROKEN NEBULIZER.

HAND HELD NEBULIZER: E0600

- ALLOWED IN PLACE OF STANDARD NEBULIZER
- COMES WITH CAR CHARGER AND WALL CHARGER. INSURANCE DOES NOT COVER THE BATTERY.
- INSURANCE WILL NOT COVER BOTH. IT'S ONE OR THE OTHER

HCPCS/BILLING CODES- NEBULIZER

DISPOSABLE NEB KITS: A7003

- MOST INSURANCES COVER 2 PER MONTH. INCLUDES CUP, MOUTHPIECE, AND TUBING
- UNITED HEALTH CARE IS ONE PER MONTH
- MAKE SURE CLIENT ALWAYS HAS BACK UP KIT

NON-DISP NEB KIT: A7005

- ALLOWED ONE EVERY 6 MONTHS (MEDICARE AND SOME COMMERCIAL INS.
- CHILD MAY HAVE A PERI NEB KIT. THAT IS ALSO EVERY 6 MONTHS.
- ALSO GETS ONE DISPOSABLE

AERO MASK A7015

- ALLOWED ONE MONTHLY
- MOUTH PIECE RECOMMENDED IF ABLE.

INHALER SUPPLIES

- **MDI SPACERS/HOLDING CHAMBERS: A4627**
- **ALLOWED 4 PER YEAR FOR MI Medicaid health plans. THAT'S ONE EVERY 3 MONTHS.**
- **NOT ALLOWED ALL 4 AT ONCE**
- **MEDICARE/COMMERCIAL insurances ALLOW ONE PER YEAR.**
- **SPACERS/CHAMBERS COME WITH OR WITHOUT MASKS. DEPENDING ON WHAT BRAND YOU WANT, spacers with masks ARE AVAILABLE WITH INFANT TO ADULT SIZE masks.**



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WHEN/WHERE AND HOW TO TO OBTAIN CLIENTS SUPPLIES

- ALL SUPPLIES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM A DME company THAT provides RESPIRATORY CARE supplies. Some pharmacies in MI carry these products but most don't.
- Best way to help your clients is to advocate for them. Prepare a script for Dr. to sign (see example). Discuss with client the need for them to get a new script yearly.
- Get a connection in customer care with a reputable DME. Some have store fronts and ship, others just ship.
- Make sure the provider takes client's insurance.
- Make sure you have DME company name on your HIPAA release form.



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QUESTIONS?





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