This poster provides examples of chronic illness and/or disability diagnoses codes. It also illustrates best practices for physicians and medical billing staff to code ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes on CMS-1500 Claim forms to the highest level of specificity. The Chronic Illness and Disability Payment System (CDPS) is a payment system Medicaid programs can use to make health-based capitated payments for disabled Medicaid beneficiaries. It is important to note that the codes listed are not all inclusive and should not be considered as a definitive list of conditions chronically ill or disabled patients can present with after thorough examination from their physician. The thorough understanding of the components of a comprehensive chronic illness care plan is the aim of Molina Healthcare of Washington to help individuals maintain the highest possible quality of life.

Chronic Disease and Disability Payment System Information

The Chronic Disease and Disability Payment System (CDPS) uses diagnoses from both ambulatory and inpatient encounter data.

- CDPS organizes diagnoses into 20 major categories, which correspond to body systems and types of diagnoses
- Each diagnosis category and subcategory is assigned a payment weight
- The higher the acuity, the higher the payment weight

What can Molina Healthcare PCPs do to help?

- Encourage your patients to come in for office visits
  - Welcome Postcards, Calls, Reminder cards
  - Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD) members should be seen at least 2 to 4 times per year

- Submit accurate and timely encounters for every office visit
  - For members with chronic illness, always report the chronic illness on the claim form
  - Be specific on diagnosis coding, ill-defined diagnoses receive NO points in the CDPS scoring
  - Your claims must be submitted according to Washington Uniform Billing Guidelines

Beware of super bills populated with non-specific diagnosis codes

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