Molina Healthcare is committed to supporting your clinical practice. Please take a moment to review this coding and documentation example for the benefit of enhancing your knowledge. The topic of this discussion is Drug-Induced Neuropathy.

Given the high frequency with which drugs that can result in neuropathy are prescribed, it is important to document the occurrence of this side effect and treat it appropriately. Some commonly prescribed drugs that can cause neuropathy include:

- Amiodarone
- Phenytoin
- Antineoplastic Agents
- Hydralazine
- Isoniazide
- Metronidazole
- Nitrofurantoin
- Phenytoin

Neuropathy in alcoholics is also very prevalent, thus it is important to identify and treat this common disorder as well. Alcohol-related neuropathy has specific codes: ICD-9 code 357.5 and ICD-10 code G62.1.

### Documentation Examples:

#### Initial Diagnosis

- 65 year old female with Atrial Fibrillation and new onset polyneuropathy due to Amiodarone

  **Assessment:** Recurrent numbness and tingling after starting Amiodarone

  - ICD-9 Code: 357.6 Polyneuropathy due to drugs
  - ICD-10 Code: G62.0 Drug-induced polyneuropathy

  **Plan:** Discuss alternative options with Cardiology

  OR

#### Established Diagnosis

- 50 year old male with chemotherapy-related neuropathy

  **Assessment:** No improvement and no alternative options available for cancer

  - ICD-9 Code: 357.6 Polyneuropathy due to drugs
  - ICD-10 Code: G62.0 Drug-induced polyneuropathy

  **Plan:** Trial of Neurontin and close monitoring

  OR

- 61 year old female with alcohol-induced polyneuropathy

  **Assessment:** worsening symptoms of tingling. Despite extensive counseling, patient continues to drink Alcohol

  - ICD-9 Code: 357.5 Alcoholic Polyneuropathy
  - ICD-10 Code: G62.1 Alcoholic Polyneuropathy

  **Plan:** Continue B12 and folic Acid, referred to LCSW and recommend AA

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