Molina Healthcare Coding Education Paced Rhythm Part 2 – Medication: Exception to the Rule



My patient has sick sinus (tachy-brady) syndrome and a pacemaker. I can no longer code SSS per new coding rule.

But what if he's also on beta blockers for tachyarrhythmia.

Can I now code SSS?

Yes!

If your patient is treated with a pacemaker and medication, you should code the underlying arrhythmia <u>IF</u> the medication is clearly documented as treatment for the arrhythmia.

Documentation Example:

A/P:

• 50 year old female with SSS with pacemaker.

Assessment: SSS with pacemaker. Also, on beta blockers for episodes of tachycardia. Stable with good control of sx.

> ICD-10 Code: I49.5 Sick Sinus Syndrome

Plan: Continue meds

Have Questions? Contact: <u>Ramp@MolinaHealthcare.com</u>

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