



Practice Questions for the Advanced Coding Specialist – Family Practice (ACS-FP) Credential Examination

1. The patient presents with a head laceration, and the physician also examines the patient for neurological damage before repairing the laceration. It would not be appropriate to bill both an E/M service and a laceration repair code because the work was not above and beyond what is typically associated with a routine preoperative assessment of the laceration. Separate diagnoses would be necessary.
 - a. True
 - b. False
2. A patient presents to the office because of wheezing, and a chest X-ray is ordered. The X-ray is normal except for scoliosis and degenerative joint disease of the spine. In this case, report _____ as the primary diagnosis.
3. Medicare will make payment for expenses that constitute charges by immediate relatives of the beneficiary or by members of his/her household when the presenting condition establishes "medical necessity."
 - a. True
 - b. False
4. ICD-9-CM presumes a cause and effect relationship and classifies renal failure with hypertension as hypertensive renal disease.
 - a. True
 - b. False
5. For a statement of elevated blood pressure without further specificity, assign code _____.
6. Always bill Medicare first if the patient is 65 or older, retired and/or disabled with no group health coverage from previous employer or from employer of family member, or patient is retired and has a health plan from former employer.
 - a. True
 - b. False

End of Practice Questions

Answers to Practice Questions

1. b. False
2. wheezing
3. b. False
4. True
5. 796.2
6. True