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Sentara Healthcare OCR Settlement

On November 27, 2019, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) published a press release regarding a HIPAA settlement with Sentara Hospitals. In addition to being placed under a Corrective Action Plan (CAP), Sentara is being fined \$2.175 million for failing to secure patient information and for failing to provide notification of the breach to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The violation occurred in April of 2017 when Sentara Healthcare distributed statements to patients containing the names, account numbers and dates of service of patient treatment to the wrong addresses. 577 patients were affected by the breach however Sentara only notified a total of 8 patients. In the case Sentara alleged that since no diagnoses were disclosed no reportable breach occurred.

As a reminder, all patient information to include demographics are considered PHI under HIPAA. It is important that all suspected breaches be reported to the EVMS Medical Group Privacy Office so that an investigation and analysis can begin. This close to home event serves as a good reminder of the importance of protecting patient information as well as the impact of non-reporting. Sentara will now undergo two years of monitoring. The entire press release may be located at the link below:

[Sentara – OCR HIPAA Settlement Press Release](#)

New ICD-10 Code for Vaping

The World Health Organization (WHO), has established a new ICD-10 emergency code due to the recent occurrences of

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vaping related disorders.

U07.0, Vaping-related disorder

Currently there are no (U) codes in the ICD-10-CM code book, so a new chapter was created for the tabular list. Effective April 1, 2020, Chapter 22 codes for special purposes (U00-U85) will be added. Code U07.0 will be in the new section, Provisional assignment of new diseases of uncertain etiology or emergency use (U00-U49). A note with the section will state, "Codes (U00-U49) are to be used by WHO for the provisional assignment of new diseases of uncertain etiology.

The ICD-10-CM April 2020 Tabular List addenda shows that there will be a number of notes with the new vaping-related disorder code. There will be a list of diagnoses that the code applies to and a "use additional code" note to help with complete coding of your claim.

e-PHI Security Tip

If an email containing PHI from outside of our organization and/or EVMS network is received, all PHI should be removed and the recipient should respond with a standard message about the lack of security with conventional email. We should never email directly with patients but may communicate with other outside organizations via secure encrypted email only if necessary.

Lunch Discussion Session February

Topic: Coding and Billing Forum + HCC Coding

Who Should Attend: Anyone involved in the documentation, coding and billing process. We will cover popular coding and billing questions and continue to provide HCC education. Please send any questions you may have in advance so that we may include those materials!

Date and Location:
Thursday, March 19th, 12-1:00 pm in HH 223

Please RSVP to Laura Brower at browerl@evms.edu or 451-6202 and feel free to bring your lunch!