## COVID-19 Coding Diagnosis and Billing Instructions

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| Pneumonia case confirmed as due to the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) | J12.89, Other viral pneumonia  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Acute bronchitis confirmed as due to COVID-19                             | J20.8, Acute bronchitis due to other specified organisms  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Bronchitis not otherwise specified (NOS) due to the COVID-19              | J40, Bronchitis, not specified as acute or chronic  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Lower respiratory infection due to COVID-19                               | J22, Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Acute respiratory infection due to COVID-19                               | J22, Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Respiratory infection due to COVID-19                                     | J98.8, Other specified respiratory disorders  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| ARDS due to COVID-19                                                      | J80, Acute respiratory distress syndrome  
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere. |
| Concern for exposure to COVID-19 where COVID-19 is Ruled OUT             | Z03.818, Encounter for observation for suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out |
| Actual exposure to someone who is confirmed to have COVID-19             | Z20.828, Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases |
| Signs and symptoms                                                        | For patients presenting with any signs/symptoms (such as fever, etc.) and where a definitive diagnosis has not been established, assign the appropriate code(s) for each of the presenting signs and symptoms such as: R05 Cough, R06.02 Shortness of Breath, R50.9 Fever |
| Suspected, Possible, or Probable COVID-19                                 | Do not assign code B97.29.  
Assign a code(s) explaining the reason for encounter (such as fever, or Z20.828). |

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