

Quick Guide to Coding COPD

COPD involves a lot of combination coding. Use both the Alphabetical Index and the Tabular List to find the right code. This tool, created by Pallavi Sheth, HCS-D, can help you.

COPD with no other information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Code 496
COPD with Asthma	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 493.20 if unspecified• 493.21 if with status asthmatics• 493.22 if with (acute) exacerbation
Acute Bronchitis with chronic asthma	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 493.90 if unspecified• 493.91 if status asthmatics• 493.92 if acute exacerbation
COPD with Bronchitis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 491.20 if without exacerbation if doc states chronic bronchitis• 491.21 if with acute exacerbation or decompensated• 491.22 if with acute bronchitis
COPD with Emphysema	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 491.20 if without exacerbation if doc states chronic bronchitis• 491.21 if with acute exacerbation or decompensated• 491.22 if with acute bronchitis
Emphysema with no other information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 492.8