Challenge
Do you struggle to keep track of complex and changing interventional radiology (IR) coding requirements? IR presents unique challenges for coders because it is an emerging field where procedures change rapidly. At the same time, to avoid bundling edits and to achieve accurate reimbursement, the ICD-10-PCS and CPT codes require coders to understand the anatomy of how procedures are actually performed to assign the appropriate codes and modifiers.

Solution
Dr. Z's Interventional Radiology Coding Reference is the only source you need to appropriately charge, code, and bill IR procedures. Written by physicians who are IR coding experts, this comprehensive resource details the appropriate coding and charging for these highly complex and specialized procedures.

This optional coding resource enhances the comprehensive suite of integrated references within Nuance® Clarity™ Facility Coding.

The reference addresses both vascular and non-vascular procedures. Information is conveniently laid out by procedure type and anatomical site, and includes extensive instructions about the components included in each procedure, as defined by the coding rules for the appropriate CPT or HCPCS code. Dr. Z's Interventional Radiology reference also discusses coding rules for both physicians and hospitals while pointing out differences in the rules. Each section contains procedure examples to demonstrate the terminology that may be encountered in a report and how that is translated into selecting the correct procedure codes.

Key benefits
- Written by interventional radiologists who understand coding
- Explains coding rules for physicians and hospitals, and the differences
- Clarifies procedures with the help of detailed drawings
- Demonstrates and clarifies the coding guidelines

Key features
Dr. Z's Interventional Radiology Coding Reference includes:
- Tables for modifiers
- Inpatient only procedures
- Add-on codes

"ZHealth is hands down the best reference out there for interventional coding/charging questions. I refer to their books for guidance almost every day to ensure that I am assigning the correct codes, and I honestly would feel lost without them. They are my go-to resource every time!"

Julie Birchfield
Southern Illinois Healthcare
The reference includes:

• Detailed anatomical drawings make procedures easy to understand. Throughout the reference, over 100 anatomical images help the coder understand the anatomy and pathology being treated and coded. Information presented both by procedure type and anatomical site is convenient for users, and detailed illustrations help coders understand the anatomical structure while helping them assign procedure codes.

• Coding rules for CPT and HCPCS codes:
  – Basics of CPT coding and CMS guidelines
  – Diagnostic angiography/venography
  – Vascular intervention
  – Non-vascular intervention (complex and simple)
  – Non-invasive imaging such as vascular ultrasound, CTA, and MRA

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“It’s obvious that Dr. Z wrote this book for coders like myself. It is easy to read, and he uses layman’s terms—not physician terms. I really like the illustrations and the overall format. It’s a reference that we will rely on for coding interventional radiology procedures.”

Diana Hughes
Marion General Hospital

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