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The Health Language Provider Friendly Terminology (PFT) includes 1 million synonyms, acronyms, abbreviations, and even some common misspellings built upon ICD-10-CM, ICD-9-CM, and SNOMED CT®. Using PFT, for example, clinicians can search for the concept “atrial fibrillation” using familiar clinical terms such as “afib,” or “atrial fib,” and PFT will provide the corresponding ICD-10-CM, ICD-9-CM (or ICD-9 procedures), or SNOMED CT codes. The use of PFT within clinical applications will help you:

- **Streamline** code searches and improve clinical documentation
- **Increase** clinical satisfaction by integrating familiar clinical terms
- **Simplify** EHR data capture to support physicians’ productivity
- **Minimize** revenue losses associated with inaccurate or incomplete clinical documentation

Support Regulatory Requirements

Mitigate ICD-10 Reimbursement Risk. To avoid revenue loss, patient encounters must be documented correctly at the point of care. PFT includes more than 300,000

Improve Clinical Search & Documentation

Ease of use is critical to ensure EHR and clinician adoption. PFT leverages sophisticated search algorithms to match terms to appropriate codes. PFT accepts abbreviations, misspellings, word order variances, and word stems without impacting performance. This flexibility allows your users to document more quickly and accurately, which means more time with patients and fewer rejected claims.

attributes to help clinicians navigate the complexities of ICD-10 and pinpoint appropriate codes. Examples of attributes include:

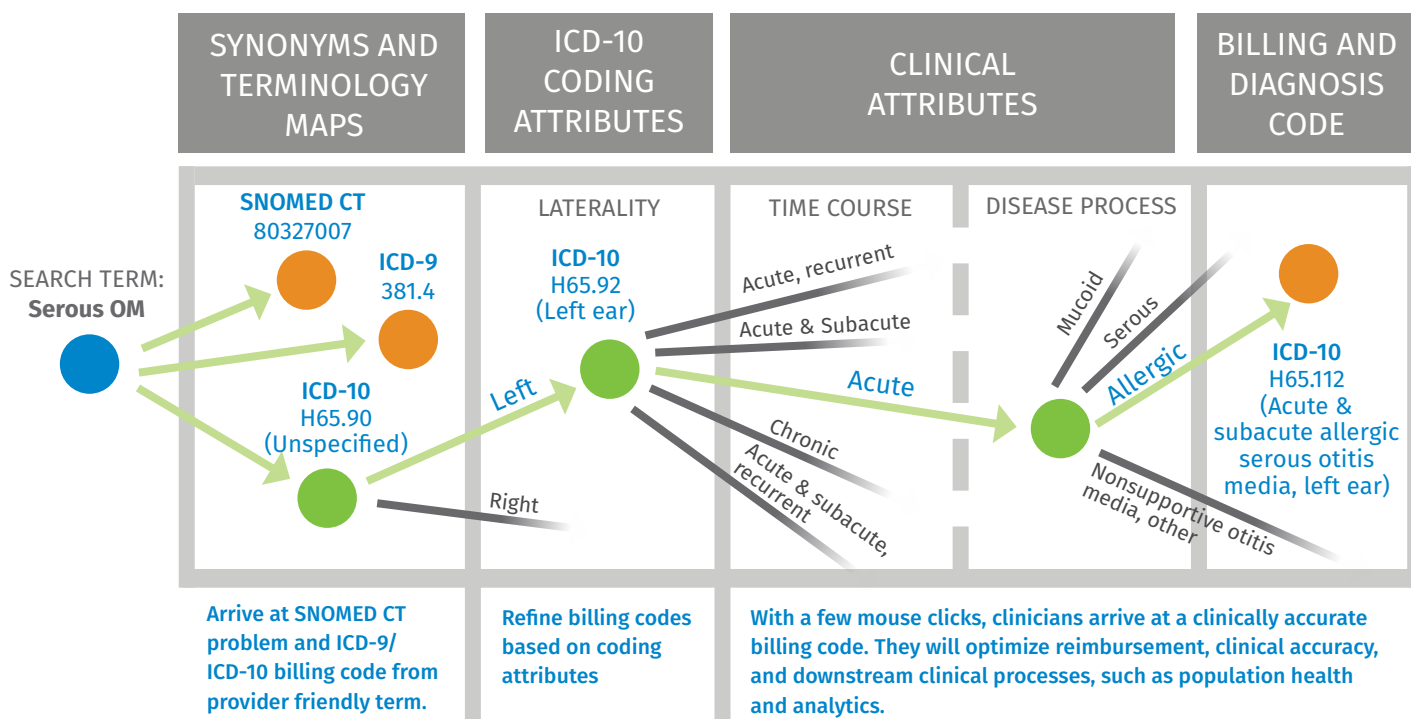
- **Encounter** – Is this the initial, sequel, or a subsequent visit?
- **Gender** – Is the patient a male or a female?
- **Laterality** – Is this a bilateral, left, or right injury?
- **Severity** – Is this a mild, moderate, or severe injury?

Support Meaningful Use (MU). MU Stage 2 requires problem lists to be encoded in SNOMED CT. Meanwhile, billing diagnoses will continue to require ICD-10 codes. PFT is a cost-effective and proven path for addressing MU and the pending overhaul of the healthcare billing system, making it easy for providers to document encounters using their own terminology, and mapping those terms to the appropriate codes.

PFT Sample Use Case

As shown in the diagram below, healthcare providers using PFT can simply enter the term “Serous OM” when documenting a diagnosis of “Serous Otitis Media” in an EHR. PFT attributes guide healthcare providers to select the best ICD-10 code by prompting them to document the laterality type (e.g., left, right, or bilateral), the time course (e.g., acute, acute recurrent, acute & subacute, chronic, and acute & subacute, recurrent), and the disease process (Mucoid, Serous, Allergic, Nonsupportive otitis media) to ensure accurate clinical documentation and appropriate reimbursement.

Ensuring clinical information such as problems, procedures, and diagnoses are efficiently and accurately documented and mapped to standards



The Health Language Solution

Terminology management solutions from Health Language can unlock your healthcare data to help you maximize reimbursement, meet regulatory compliance, improve operational efficiencies, and enhance patient care. Health Language provides powerful data solutions that can be customized to your organization’s needs. Health Language solutions are designed to support health IT vendors, payers, health systems, HIEs, research and government organizations to improve search and documentation, support reference data management, enable mapping and interoperability, improve quality measure reporting, maximize revenue cycle management, meet Meaningful Use compliance, and enhance analytics.

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