



Talk Ten (ICD 10) Tuesday Tips....**Got a Minute:**

Specificity: *noun* spec-i·fic-i·ty \,spe-sə-'fi-sə-tē\
the quality or condition of being free from ambiguity

“Troponemia”

Troponemia is a lab finding and is not a diagnosis. This lab finding is not benign. Surgical data demonstrates increased 30, 60 and 90 day mortality with elevated troponin associated with surgical procedures.

Documentation suggestions:

1) Not clinically relevant

- Chronic Kidney Disease may be associated with elevation of troponin beyond the upper limits of normal, but the troponin level should remain relatively stable through the hospitalization.

If the Troponin level increases or decreases through the hospitalization consider:

2) Demand Ischemia

- Does **not** code to an acute MI. Demand ischemia is due to supply demand mismatch.

3) NSTEMI Type 2

- This codes to an acute MI from a coding perspective.
- Type 2 NSTEMI is also due to supply demand mismatch.
- Associated with higher severity of illness

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