

Documentation Tip of the Week

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Documenting “To Cover” for gram negative rods does NOT code to gram negative Pneumonia

**DO NOT document:**

Pneumonia- will Rx Zosyn “To Cover” for gram negative rods

**CONSIDER INSTEAD:**

**“Possible”** gram negative rod Pneumonia- will Rx Zosyn

The term “To Cover” does not code to the diagnosis. However, documenting a **“POSSIBLE”** diagnosis is acceptable language in the hospital setting.



Remember - Hospital documentation can include “possible, probable, likely or suspected” diagnoses

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