

**Question:** I am in the process of applying for NIH grant to use the Case Mix data to conduct pediatric injury surveillance. ICD-10-CM expanded the number of cause diagnosis codes related to injury wounds from bites and I want to be able to provide information in my grant narrative on whether hospitals are using the full range of bite related codes.

**Answer:** Yes, the hospitals appear to be using the full range of the ICD-10-CM bite codes. We looked at the outpatient emergency department data (ED) for FY2016 to determine the extent to which bite codes were being used and **for one year alone, 444 different ICD-10-CM bite codes were for used** for over 30,000 bite related ED visits. The codes include bite related **W-Codes** (See Table 1 below) and extensive use of **S-Codes**.

**Table 1. FY2016 Outpatient ED Visit Top ICD-10-CM W-Codes related to Bites**

ICD-10-CM Code	Full Description	Rank
W57XXXA	Bitten or stung by nonvenomous insect and other nonvenomous arthropods, initial encounter	1
W540XXA	Bitten by dog, initial encounter	2
W5501XA	Bitten by cat, initial encounter	3
W540XXD	Bitten by dog, subsequent encounter	4
W5501XD	Bitten by cat, subsequent encounter	5
W5581XA	Bitten by other mammals, initial encounter	6
W5321XA	Bitten by squirrel, initial encounter	7
W5381XA	Bitten by other rodent, initial encounter	8
W57XXXD	Bitten or stung by nonvenomous insect and other nonvenomous arthropods, subsequent encounter	9
W5311XA	Bitten by rat, initial encounter	10
W5301XA	Bitten by mouse, initial encounter	11
W5551XA	Bitten by raccoon, initial encounter	12
W5511XA	Bitten by horse, initial encounter	13
W5541XA	Bitten by pig, initial encounter	14
W6101XA	Bitten by parrot, initial encounter	15
W5651XA	Bitten by other fish, initial encounter	16
W6191XA	Bitten by other birds, initial encounter	17
W503XXD	Accidental bite by another person, subsequent encounter	18
W5541XD	Bitten by pig, subsequent encounter	19
W5581XD	Bitten by other mammals, subsequent encounter	20
W5531XA	Bitten by other hoof stock, initial encounter	21
W5911XA	Bitten by nonvenomous snake, initial encounter	22
W540XXS	Bitten by dog, sequela	23
W5501XS	Bitten by cat, sequela	24
W5551XD	Bitten by raccoon, subsequent encounter	25
W5681XA	Bitten by other nonvenomous marine animals, initial encounter	26
W5901XA	Bitten by nonvenomous lizards, initial encounter	27
W5301XD	Bitten by mouse, subsequent encounter	28
W6151XA	Bitten by goose, initial encounter	29

