

**Table 16****Description of Differences between Coder and Validator for ICD-10-CM Public Health Diagnoses**

Description of Coding Differences	Category and Number of Differences
Seventh character extension for initial encounter, required by ICD-10	External causes of injury (14) Heart disease (2) Other (5)
For codes less than six characters that require a seventh character extension a placeholder x should be assigned for all characters less than six.	External causes of injury (7) Other (2) Heart disease (1)
Specificity of right and left side as well as region of body, type of infection, etc.	Other (18) Heart disease (2) External causes of injury (11) Lower respiratory disease (1) Cerebrovascular (3) Diabetes (1) Malignant neoplasms (8) Nephritis (1)
More specific causes	External causes of injury (7)
Deactivation of codes in tabular	External causes of injury (4)
Variation in code description/different codes	Other (73) Heart disease (53) Lower respiratory disease (14) Cerebrovascular (6) Malignant neoplasms (5) External causes of injury (8) Diabetes (3)
Missing additional code	Other (13) Heart disease (4) Lower respiratory disease (4) Cerebrovascular (3) Diabetes (1) Malignant neoplasms (1) Nephritis (1)
Additional code not necessary	Other (14) Lower respiratory disease (3) Heart disease (3) External causes of injury (9)