



**L.A. Care**  
HEALTH PLAN



## Coding Reference Guide for Acute Respiratory Conditions

### Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis

EVIDENCE BASED GUIDELINES CALL FOR EITHER OFFICE BASED SCREENING OR LAB CULTURE WHEN PRESCRIBING ANTIBIOTICS FOR THESE CONDITIONS.

#### CHILDREN AGE 2 – 18 YEARS

ICD-9 CM DIAGNOSTIC CODES	ICD-9 CM DESCRIPTION
<input type="checkbox"/> 462	Acute Pharyngitis
<input type="checkbox"/> 463	Acute Tonsillitis
<input type="checkbox"/> 034.0	Streptococcal Sore Throat

CPT CODES	LAB SCREENING AND CULTURES
<input type="checkbox"/> 87070 87071 87081 87430 87650-87652	LAB CULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 87880	RAPID STREP TEST

### Appropriate Treatment for Children With Upper Respiratory Infection

ANTIBIOTICS NOT INDICATED FOR THE TREATMENT OF VIRAL INFECTIONS. ENSURE HYDRATION, MAY ADVISE REST, ANTIPYRETICS, ANALGESICS, HUMIDIFIER.

#### CHILDREN AGE 3 MONTHS – 18 YEARS

ICD-9 CM DIAGNOSTIC CODES	ICD-9 CM DESCRIPTION
<input type="checkbox"/> 460	Acute Nasopharyngitis (common cold)
<input type="checkbox"/> 465.0	Upper Respiratory Infection

### Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults with Acute Bronchitis

UNCOMPLICATED: ANTIBIOTICS NOT INDICATED. 90% OF CASES ARE NONBACTERIAL. ANTIBIOTIC TREATMENT IS NOT INDICATED IN PATIENTS WITH UNCOMPLICATED ACUTE BACTERIAL BRONCHITIS. TREATMENT IS RESERVED FOR PATIENTS WITH ACUTE BACTERIAL EXACERBATION OF CHRONIC BRONCHITIS AND COPD, USUALLY SMOKERS.

#### ADULTS AGE 18 – 64 YEARS

ICD-9 CM DIAGNOSTIC CODES	ICD-9 CM DESCRIPTION
<input type="checkbox"/> 466.0	Acute Bronchitis



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