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DIAGNOSIS CODING TIP OF THE WEEK:

According to the 2007 ICD9-CM coding book the code 496 (COPD) cannot be used with any code from categories 491-493. If you have a patient who has Asthmatic Bronchitis or Asthma with COPD there is a combination code 493.2* (requires fifth digit of 0-unsp, 1-w/status asthmaticus, 2-acute exacerbation).