

The Verboten List

The following words should be removed from use when documenting in the medical record:

Remove from Documentation	Replace with Effective Documentation
Respiratory Insufficiency	Acute Respiratory Failure
Renal Insufficiency	Acute Renal Failure
Troponinemia/Troponin Leak	Demand Ischemia or NSTEMI or STEMI
Urosepsis	Sepsis due to UTI
SIRS (due to infectious source)	Sepsis
Sepsis Syndrome	Sepsis
Bacteremia (in a septic patient)	Septicemia
Uncontrolled hypertension (accelerated/Malignant)	Hypertensive Urgency, emergency and/or crisis
Post Op	Clarify if the issue is a surgical complication
Sharp debridement	Excisional debridement
“History of”	Chronic or active diagnosis
Unresponsive	Unconscious codes to coma
Stable	Fair, guarded, serious, critical
Delirium	Encephalopathy

Support the Severity of Illness of your patient using high quality coding based documentation