Coding Talk...

To Code or Not To Code

Anemia

Please specify acuity:

- Acute
- Chronic
- Acute on chronic

ANEMIA

Normal Amount of Red Blood Cells — Red Blood Cell — Platelet — White Blood Cell — Anemic Amount of Red Blood Cells

NORMAL   **ANEMIA**
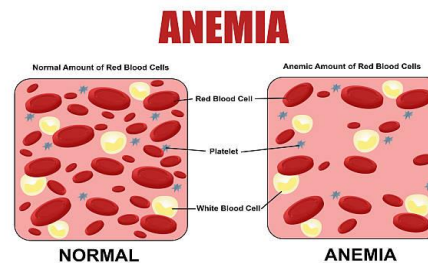
Document underlying cause of the anemia:

Examples:

- Blood loss
- Due to conditions (ex. Chemotherapy, CKD, sickle cell)
- Deficiency (ex. B12, iron, factor)
- Idiopathic
- Cancer (specify site)

Document treatment of the anemia:

Examples:

- Transfusion
- Medication administration (B12, iron, etc.)

Sickle-Cell Anemia

Normal red blood cell (RBC) — Normal red blood cell section — Normal hemoglobin — RBCs flow freely within blood vessel — Abnormal sickle red blood cell section — Sticky sickle cells — Sickle cells blocking blood flow — Abnormal hemoglobin form strands that cause sickle shape