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Coding Carbon Monoxide Incidents

When coding CO incidents, you have the choice of 3 Basic Incident Type Codes:

- 746: Carbon Monoxide detector activation, no CO
- 424: Carbon Monoxide incident
- 671: Hazmat release investigation with no hazmat

When a call comes in for a CO detector going off and upon arrival NO carbon monoxide is found, you would use code 746: Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO.

If upon arrival carbon monoxide IS detected by Fire Department metering equipment, you would use code 424: Carbon Monoxide incident.

If your call comes in with symptoms but without the presence of carbon monoxide, i.e. furnace not running properly, your code would then be 671: Hazmat release investigation with no hazmat.

- Last year in NH alone CO was responsible for 3 out of 17 deaths.

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