

Additional Information on Printing out ROM Autocodes:

Go to the ROM Screen and Click on the View Examples button and it will bring up a "Help" file. At the top, click on the back arrow. On that screen there is a Range of Motion Codes button. Click that button. All the Range of Motion codes in the program are here grouped in 4 groups. You need to print each of these lists in turn.

The reason you want to print these codes is this. Each of them has three different parts to it. The first code in the first list starts out, for example, "The patient's name" has suffered a compression of (a percentage of) one vertebral body, which per the AMA Guides is a 1), 2) or 3). The one you choose will determine What % whole person impairment that compression represents, depending on the area of the spine involved.

So as you read down through these codes, you will see that those internal numbers in the code determine what percentage of impairment is involved with the condition stated by the code.

When you enter a given auto code from the AutoCode Selector into a document, then you click your cursor into the code just before the final bracket of the code, type in a parenthesis, follow it with the appropriate # 1, 2, or 3, and then put in a close parenthesis right before the close brace. i.e. {ROM01(2)} if you wanted to say 2% Whole-Person Impairment for the thoracic spine.

You can use all of these codes that are appropriate to a given case.

There are other screens that work with the ROM Model of Impairment Rating. John does covers those on the Impairment Rating Training Video, along with the explanation how to print out the AutoCodes I just transcribed.

He doesn't tell you, after finishing his coverage of the ROM Model of Impairment, go to the Injury Model of Impairment after the ROM screens, and click the "View Examples" button. Then go back two screens, and down to the paragraph #4 and click the link there for DRE Codes.

There are 3 groups of those screens to print out. These are the autocodes that refer to specific pages and tables in the guides that can be edited to refer to the corresponding tables and guides in 5th Edition. Any other changes in information can also be edited into those codes, but I don't know if numeric changes can change internal calculations in the program itself or not.

The ROM calculations have changed the figures they work with here and there, and have broken down spinal areas differently for measuring purposes as well. I don't know how doctors using our program for 5th edition Impairment Ratings cope with that, or if they use only DRE codes, and as I understand it, they don't always apply.