

Coding Guidelines

Valid ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes may contain 3, 4, or 5 digits. When 4th or 5th digits are provided, they must be used. Incomplete ICD-9-CM codes that are submitted on medical claims to insurers could cause claim denials.

- NEC** **Not elsewhere classified**—This abbreviation is used when the ICD-9-CM system does not provide a code specific to the patient’s condition
- NOS** **Not otherwise specified**—This abbreviation is the equivalent of “Unspecified” and is used only when the coder lacks the information necessary to code to a more specific four-digit category
- V Codes** These supplementary codes describe occasions when circumstances other than disease or injury justify an encounter with the health care delivery system or influence the patient’s current condition. Some V codes are sequenced first to describe the reason for the encounter while some are sequenced second because they identify a circumstance that affects the patient’s health status. Refer to your ICD-9-CM code book for more detail

General Health

AIDS

V08 **HIV, asymptomatic**

042 **HIV, symptomatic**

Blood and Circulatory

Anemia

2281.2 Folate deficiency

280.9 Iron deficiency, NOS

2281.1 Other B₁₂ deficiency anemia

2281.0 Pernicious anemia

2285.0 Sideroblastic

2285.9 Unspecified

Diabetes Mellitus

Requires fifth digit:

0 *type II or unspec type, not stated as uncontrolled; assign for type II regardless of insulin requirement; assign V58.67 for long-term insulin use*

1 *type I, not stated as uncontrolled*

2 *type II or unspec type, uncontrolled; assign for type II regardless of insulin requirement; assign V58.67 for long-term insulin use*

3 *type I, uncontrolled*

250.6_ w/neuro manifestations

Code also for disorder

250.7_ w/peripheral circulatory disorders

Code also for disorder

250.4_ w/renal manifestations

Code also for manifestation

250.0_ w/o mention of complications

General Health

Endocrine System

Hyperparathyroidism

- 252.08 Other
- 252.01 Primary
- 252.02 Secondary
- 252.00 Unspecified

Hypothyroidism

- 243 Congenital
- 244.2 Iodine, from ingestion or administration
Use additional E code to identify drug
- 244.3 Other iatrogenic
Use additional E code to identify drug
- 244.1 Post ablative
- 244.0 Post surgical
- 244.9 Unspecified

Heart Disease

- 786.50 **Chest pain, NOS**
- 428.0 **Congestive heart failure NOS**
- Hypertension**
- 401.1 Benign
- 401.9 Unspecified

Lipid and Metabolic Disorders

- 277.30 **Amyloidosis, NOS**
- 271.3 **Lactose intolerance**
- 272.2 **Mixed hyperlipidemia**
- 272.0 **Pure hypercholesterolemia**
- 272.1 **Pure hyperglyceridemia**

General Health

Musculoskeletal

Arthropathy

716.99 Unspecified, multiple sites

716.90 Unspecified, site unspecified

714.0 Rheumatoid arthritis (chronic)

Use additional code to identify manifestation, as: myopathy, 359.6 or polyneuropathy, 357.1

Respiratory

786.09 **Dyspnea/respiratory abnormality, other**

487.1 **Influenza, NOS or w/other respiratory manifestations**

034.0 **Streptococcal sore throat**

465.9 **URI, acute, NOS**

Skin

682.2 **Cellulitis, trunk**

683 **Lymphadenitis, acute**

685.0 **Pilonidal cyst w/abscess**

685.1 **Pilonidal cyst w/o abscess**

Health Services Encounters

Encounter for

Attention to dressings and sutures

- V58.30 Change/removal, nonsurgical wound dressing
- V58.31 Change/removal, surgical wound dressing
- V58.32 Removal, sutures/staples

Attention to ostomy

- V55.3 Colostomy
- V55.1 Gastrostomy
- V55.2 Ileostomy

Exam/Screening

Administrative Exam

- V68.01 Disability examination
- V68.09 Issue medical certificate, other
- V68.1 Issue repeat prescription

Exam, Other

- V72.84 Preoperative, NOS
- V70.0 Routine general medical

Fitting/adjustment

- V58.82 Non vascular catheter, NEC
- V53.5 Other intestinal appliance
Excludes colostomy, ileostomy, other artificial opening of digestive tract
- V58.81 Vascular catheter

Health Services Encounters

Exam/Screening—*continued*

Follow-up care/exam

- V58.75 Aftercare, digestive surgery
- V67.2 Chemotherapy
- V67.51 High risk medical therapy
- V67.1 Radiotherapy
- V67.09 Surgery, other
- V67.00 Surgery unspecified

Other circumstances

- V58.63 Long-term antiplatelet/anti-thrombotic
- V58.61 Long-term (current) use anticoagulant
- V58.62 Long-term use of antibiotics
- V58.69 Long-term use other med
- V58.64 Long-term use, NSAID
- V58.65 Long-term use, steroid
- V65.2 Person feigning illness
- V65.5 Person w/fear comp, no dx
- V64.1 Procedure not done due to contraindication
- V64.2 Procedure not done, patient decision
- V62.6 Refusal tx religious/conscience
- V58.83 Therapeutic drug monitor

Screening malignant neoplasm

- V76.51 Colon
- V76.52 Intestine, small
- V76.50 Intestine, unspecified
- V76.41 Rectum

History

Family History

Digestive disorders

- V18.51 Colonic polyps
- V16.0 Malignant neoplasm, GI tract
- V18.59 Other digestive disorders

Other condition/disease

- V18.2 Anemia
- V17.49 Cardiovascular disease, other
- V18.0 Diabetes mellitus
- V18.19 Endocrine/metabolic diseases, other
- V18.9 Genetic disease carrier
- V17.3 Ischemic heart disease
- V16.6 Leukemia
- V18.11 Multiple endocrine neoplasia (MEN) syndrome
- V17.81 Osteoporosis
- V17.1 Stroke
- V17.41 Sudden cardiac death (SCD)

Personal History

Allergies

- V14.4 Anesthetic agent
- V15.03 Eggs
- V15.07 Latex
- V15.02 Milk products
- V14.5 Narcotic agent
- V15.09 Other allergy, not medicinal
- V14.1 Other antibiotic agent
- V14.3 Other anti-infective agent
- V15.01 Peanuts

History

Personal History—*continued*

Allergies—*continued*

- V14.0 Penicillin
- V15.08 Radiographic dye
- V14.2 Sulfonamides

Malignant neoplasm

- V10.00 Gastrointestinal tract, unsp
- V10.09 Ileum, jejunum
- V10.05 Large intestine
- V10.07 Liver
- V10.82 Melanoma, skin
- V10.02 Oral cavity/pharynx
- V10.83 Other malignant neoplasm, skin
- V10.42 Other part uterus
- V10.09 Other specified NEC gastrointestinal tract
- V10.09 Pancreas
- V10.06 Rectum/rectosigmoid junction/anus
- V10.04 Stomach
- V10.01 Tongue

Other condition/disease

- V11.3 Alcoholism
- V12.72 Colonic polyps
- V12.1 Nutritional deficiency
- V12.79 Other digestive disease
- V12.71 Peptic ulcer disease

Neoplasms

Benign

- 211.4 **Anus canal/rectum**
- 211.5 **Biliary/liver**
- 211.3 **Colon**
- 211.2 **Duodenum/Ileum/Jejunum**
- 211.0 **Esophagus**
- 211.7 **Islets of Langerhans**
- 211.6 **Pancreas, except islet of Langerhans**
- 211.1 **Stomach**

Malignant

- 154.2 **Anal canal**
- 154.3 **Anus, unspecified**
- Colon**
- 153.5 Appendix
- 153.6 Ascending colon
- 153.4 Cecum
- 153.2 Descending colon
- 153.0 Hepatic flexure
- 153.3 Sigmoid colon
- 153.7 Splenic flexure
- 153.1 Transverse colon
- Esophagus**
- 150.2 Abdominal
- 150.0 Cervical
- 150.5 Lower third
- 150.4 Middle third
- 150.8 Other spec
- 150.3 Upper third

Neoplasms

Malignant—*continued*

Intestine, small, including duodenum

- 152.0 Duodenum
- 152.2 Ileum
- 152.1 Jejunum
- 152.3 Meckel's diverticulum
- 155.1 **Intrahepatic bile ducts**
- 155.0 **Liver, primary**
- 197.7 **Liver, secondary**

Pancreas

- 157.1 Body
- 157.3 Duct
- 157.0 Head
- 157.4 Islets of Langerhans
- 157.2 Tail

Rectosigmoid junction

Rectum

Stomach

- 151.4 Body
- 151.0 Cardia
- 151.3 Fundus
- 151.6 Greater curvature
- 151.5 Lesser curvature
- 151.2 Pyloric antrum
- 151.1 Pylorus

Signs and Symptoms

	Abdominal pain
789.06	Epigastric
789.07	Generalized
789.04	Left lower quadrant
789.02	Left upper quadrant
789.05	Periumbilic
789.03	Right lower quadrant
789.01	Right upper quadrant
792.1	Abnormal stool (fat, mucous, pus, color, occult)
783.1	Abnormal weight gain
783.7	Adult failure to thrive
786.50	Chest pain
276.51	Dehydration
787.91	Diarrhea, unspecified
	Dysphagia
787.21	Oral phase
787.22	Oropharyngeal phase
787.29	Other
787.23	Pharyngeal phase
787.24	Pharyngoesophageal phase
787.20	Unspecified
782.3	Edema
780.6	Fever
787.3	Gas pain
787.1	Heartburn
276.52	Hypovolemia
782.4	Jaundice
785.6	Lymphadenopathy
780.79	Malaise/fatigue
787.02	Nausea alone

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- 787.01 **Nausea w/vomiting**
- 790.4 **Nonspec elevation of transam/LDH**
- 783.5 **Polydipsia**
- 783.6 **Polyphagia**
- 782.1 **Rash**
- 465.9 **URI, acute, NOS**
- 276.50 **Volume depletion**
- 787.03 **Vomiting alone**
- 536.2 **Vomiting, persistent**
- 783.21 **Weight loss, abnormal**