

ICD-10-CM Coding Basics

Chapter Specifics

Chapter 15

Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium

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ICD-10-CM Conventions

- General rules for use of the classification independent of the guidelines
- Conventions and instructions of the classification takes precedence over guidelines
- Incorporated within the Alphabetic Index and Tabular list as instructional notes

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Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00-O9A)

Coding requirements

- Only used on the maternal record
- Sequencing priority over other chapter codes
- Report additional codes from other chapters to further specify the condition
- If pregnancy is incidental to the encounter, use code Z33.1, Pregnant state, incidental
 - It is the provider's responsibility to state that the condition being treated is not affecting the pregnancy
- Coding the trimester and the weeks of gestation are vital to the maternal record
 - *Majority of codes have a final character indicating trimester of pregnancy*
 - *Trimester or number of weeks should be based on the provider's documentation*
 - *Gestation codes are found in Category Z3A.-*
 - *Indicates the weeks of gestation of the pregnancy*

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- **Timeframes** for the trimesters or number of weeks should be based on the documentation on the OB form
 - First Trimester - Less than 14 weeks 0 days
 - Second Trimester - 14 weeks 0 days to less than 28 weeks 0 days
 - Third Trimester - 28 weeks 0 days to delivery
- Not every single code in Chapter 15 has a trimester component
 - Some conditions always occurs in a specific trimester
 - Concept of trimester is not applicable to the condition
- Category Z37.- code is assigned for outcome of delivery on every maternal delivery record
 - Do not use in subsequent records or on the newborn record

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Complications of Pregnancy

- Certain categories distinguish between conditions of the mother that existed prior to pregnancy (*pre-existing*) and *those that are a direct result of pregnancy (O10-O16)*
 - Important to assess whether a condition was *pre-existing* **or** *developed during or due to the pregnancy* to assign the correct code
- Pre-existing hypertension in pregnancy (O10.-)
 - Pre-existing hypertensive heart disease complicating pregnancy (O10.1-)
 - It is necessary to use an additional code to identify the type of Hypertensive heart disease (I11.-)
 - Pre-existing hypertensive chronic kidney disease complicating pregnancy (O10.2-)
 - Use an additional code to identify the type of hypertensive chronic kidney disease (I12.-)
 - Pre-existing hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease complicating pregnancy (O10.3-)
 - Use an additional code to identify the type of hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease (I13.-)
- Pre-existing *secondary hypertension* complicating pregnancy (I10.4-)
- *Pre-existing* hypertension with pre-eclampsia (O11.-)
 - Use an additional code from I10 to identify the type of HTN

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Gestational [Pregnancy-induced] edema and proteinuria without HTN (O12.-)

- Gestational edema (O12.0-)
- Gestational proteinuria (O12.1)
- Gestational edema with proteinuria (O12.2-)
- **Gestational [Pregnancy-induced] Hypertension without significant proteinuria (O13.-)**
- **Pre-eclampsia**
 - Mild-moderate pre-eclampsia (O14.0-)
 - Severe pre-eclampsia (O14.1-)
 - HELLP Syndrome (O14.2)
 - Severe pre-eclampsia with hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes and low platelet count
- **Eclampsia**
 - Eclampsia in pregnancy (O15.0-)
 - Eclampsia in labor (O15.1)
 - Eclampsia in the puerperium (O15.2)

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Other maternal disorders predominantly related to pregnancy (O20-O29)

- Hemorrhage in early pregnancy (*Hemorrhage before completion of 20 weeks*)
 - Threatened Abortion (O20.0)
 - Other hemorrhage in early pregnancy (O20.8)
- Excessive vomiting in pregnancy
 - Mild hyperemesis gravidarum (O21.0)
 - Hyperemesis gravidarum with metabolic disturbance (O21.1)
 - Late vomiting of pregnancy (O21.2)
- Varicose veins of lower extremity in pregnancy (O22.0-)
- Genital varices in pregnancy (O22.1-)
- Hemorrhoids in pregnancy (O22.4-)

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Infections of genitourinary tract in pregnancy

- Use additional code to identify organism (B95.-, B96.-)
- Infections of kidney in pregnancy (O23.0-)
 - Includes pyelonephritis in pregnancy
- Infections of bladder in pregnancy (O23.1-)
- Infections of urethra in pregnancy (O23.2-)

Infections of the genital tract in pregnancy

- Use additional code to identify organism (B95.-, B96.-)
- Infection of cervix in pregnancy(O23.51-)
- Salpingo-oophoritis in pregnancy(O23.52-)

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Diabetes Mellitus in pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium

- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus type 1 in pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (O24.0-)
 - Use additional code (E10.-) to further identify any manifestations
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, **type 1** in **pregnancy** (O24.01-)
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, **type 1** in **childbirth**(O24.02)
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, **type 1** in the **puerperium** (O24.03)
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, **type 2** in pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium
 - Use additional code (E11.-) to further identify any manifestations
 - Use additional code if applicable. Long term (current) use of insulin (Z79.4)

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Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, *type 2*, in pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium

- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, type 2 in pregnancy (O24.11-)
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, type 2 in childbirth (O24.12)
- Pre-existing diabetes mellitus, type 2 in the puerperium (O24.13)

Gestational Diabetes Mellitus

- No additional code should be used with codes from subcategory O24.4
- Gestational diabetes mellitus in pregnancy (O24.41-)
 - Document
 - diet controlled
 - insulin controlled
- Gestational diabetes mellitus in childbirth (O24.42-)
 - Document
 - diet controlled
 - insulin controlled
- Gestational diabetes mellitus in the puerperium (O24.43-)
 - Document
 - diet controlled
 - insulin controlled

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Alcohol use complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (O99.31-)

- Use additional code(s) from F10.- Alcohol related disorders, to identify manifestations of the alcohol use
- *Review guidelines to determine blood alcohol level, if necessary (Y90.-)*

Drug use complicating pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium (O99.32-)

- Report additional code(s) from F11-F16 and F18-F19 to identify manifestations of the drug use

Smoking (tobacco) complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (O99.33-)

- Report additional code from F17 to identify type of tobacco

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- For routine outpatient prenatal visits, without complications, use codes from category Z34, Encounter for supervision of normal pregnancy
 - These codes should not be used in conjunction with chapter 15 codes
- For routine prenatal outpatient visits for high-risk patients, report code O09, **Supervision of high risk pregnancy**
 - **Secondary** Chapter 15 codes may be used in conjunction with these codes

Normal Delivery

- Code O80 should be assigned for delivery of a full-term, normal, single, healthy infant without complications **antepartum**, during delivery, or postpartum during delivery
 - Do not use code O80 if another code from chapter 15 is necessary to describe a current complication of the antenatal, delivery, or perinatal period
 - Codes from other chapters may be used with code O80 if they are not related to or complicating the pregnancy

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Obstetrics 7th Characters:

- Category / Codes O31.-; O32.-; O33.3-O33.6; O35.-; O36.-; O40.-; O41.-; O60.1-; O60.2-; O64.- and O69.- *requires a 7th character code*
- Assigning the 7th character where applicable to identify the fetus for which the complication code applies
 - 0 not applicable or unspecified
 - Single gestation, insufficient documentation, or cannot be clinically determined
 - 1 Fetus 1
 - 2 Fetus 2
 - 3 Fetus 3
 - 4 Fetus 4
 - 5 Fetus 5
 - 9 **other** Fetus