

# 2026 Pediatric Coding Changes



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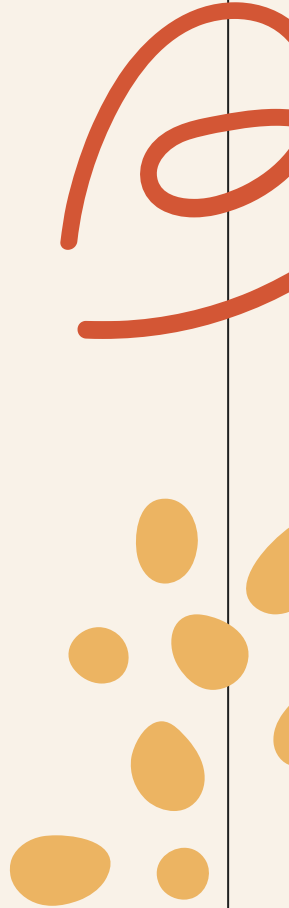


# Objectives

Review Relevant Outpatient  
Pediatric Changes to:

**ICD-10 Codeset**

**CPT Codeset**





# Coding vs. Billing





**Coding:** Guidelines, Manuals

Coders can help

**Billing:** Payers, Feds, States

Billers can help





# 2026 ICD-10 Changes

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## Data Source - CMS

2026 ICD-10-CM files, 2026 Addendum:

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coding-billing/icd-10-codes?redirect=/ICD10>

## Chapter 4 - Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases (E00-E89)

### **E11.9 Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications**

Excludes1: type 2 diabetes mellitus, without complications in remission (E11.A)

Add - **E11.A** Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications in remission

Excludes1: type 2 diabetes mellitus, with complications (E11.0-E11.8)

type 2 diabetes mellitus, without complications not in remission (E11.9)



# Chapter 7 Diseases of the eye and adnexa (H00-H59)

## H01.8 Other specified inflammations of eyelid

Code also, if applicable, infestation by Demodex mites (B88.01)

**NEW** - Other specified inflammation of...

**H01.81** ... right upper eyelid

**H01.82** ... right lower eyelid

**H01.83** ... right eye, unspecified eyelid

**H01.84** ... left upper eyelid

**H01.85** ... left lower eyelid

**H01.86** ... left eye, unspecified eyelid

**H01.89** ... unspecified eye, unspec eyelid

**H01.8A** ... right eye, upper and lower eyelids

**H01.8B** ... left eye, upper and lower eyelids

# Chapter 17 Congenital malformations, deformations, chromosomal abnormalities, and genetic disorders (Q00-QA0)

*Revise from* - **Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities (Q00-Q99)**

*Revise to* - **Congenital malformations, deformations, chromosomal abnormalities, and genetic disorders (Q00-QA0)**

# Chapter 17 Congenital malformations, deformations, chromosomal abnormalities, and genetic disorders (Q00-QA0) - Cont.

Please review CHAPTER 17 ... MANY syndrome additions

- Hao-Fountain
- CTNNB1
- Kabuki
- Usher

# Chapter 18 Symptoms and signs involving the digestive system and abdomen (R10-R19)

## R10.2 Pelvic and perineal pain

**Add** - Excludes2: pain localized to other parts of lower abdomen (R10.3-)  
pain localized to upper abdomen (R10.1-)

**Add - R10.20** Pelvic and perineal pain unspecified side

**Add - R10.21** Pelvic and perineal pain right side

**Add - R10.22** Pelvic and perineal pain left side

**Add - R10.23** Pelvic and perineal pain bilateral

**Add - R10.24** Suprapubic pain

# Chapter 18 Symptoms and signs involving the digestive system and abdomen - Cont.

## R11 Nausea and vomiting

### R11.1 Vomiting

Add - **R11.16** Cannabis hyperemesis syndrome  
Cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome

#### Code also

- cannabis abuse (F12.1-)
- cannabis dependence (F12.2-)
- cannabis use, unspecified (F12.92-, F12.93, F12.95-, F12.98-, F12.99)
- manifestations, such as:
  - dehydration (E86.0)
  - electrolyte imbalance (E87.8)

# Chapter 19 Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88)

Chapter 19 Added specificity “of Flank” for a large number of ICD-10s

Contusions, Abrasions, Blisters, Open wounds, Lacerations, Puncture wounds, Open bites,

# Chapter 19 Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88) Cont.

## **T36 Poisoning by, adverse effect of and underdosing of systemic antibiotics**

Add - **T36.A** Poisoning by, adverse effect of and underdos. of fluoroquinolone antibiotics

Add - **T36.AX** Poisoning by, adverse effect of and underdos. of fluoroquinolone antibiotics

Add - **T36.AX1** Poisoning by fluoroquinolone antibiotics, accidental (unintent.)  
Poisoning by fluoroquinolone antibiotics NOS

Add - **T36.AX2** Poisoning by fluoroquinolone antibiotics, intentional self-harm

Add - **T36.AX3** Poisoning by fluoroquinolone antibiotics, assault

Add - **T36.AX4** Poisoning by fluoroquinolone antibiotics, undetermined

Add - **T36.AX5** Adverse effect of fluoroquinolone antibiotics

Add - **T36.AX6** Underdosing of fluoroquinolone antibiotics

# Chapter 19 Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88) Cont.

## **T78.07 Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products**

Add - **T78.070** Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products with tolerance to baked milk

Excludes1: Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products with reactivity to baked milk (T78.071)

Add - **T78.071** Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products with reactivity to baked milk

Excludes1: Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products with tolerance to baked milk (T78.070)

Add - **T78.079** Anaphylactic reaction due to milk and dairy products, unspecified



# Chapter 19 Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88) Cont.

## **T78.08 Anaphylactic reaction due to eggs**

Add - **T78.080** Anaphylactic reaction due to egg with tolerance to baked egg

Excludes1: Anaphylactic reaction due to egg with reactivity to baked egg (T78.081)

Add - **T78.081** Anaphylactic reaction due to egg with reactivity to baked egg

Excludes1: Anaphylactic reaction due to egg with tolerance to baked egg (T78.080)

Add - **T78.089** Anaphylactic reaction due to eggs, unspecified

## **T78.1 Other adverse food reactions, not elsewhere classified**

Add - **T78.11** Other adverse food reactions due to milk and dairy products

Add - **T78.110** Other adverse food reactions due to milk and dairy products with tolerance to baked milk

Excludes1: Other adverse food reaction due to milk and dairy products with reactivity to baked milk (T78.111)

# Chapter 19 Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00-T88) Cont.

Add - **T78.111** Other adverse food reaction due to milk and dairy products with reactivity to baked milk

Excludes1: Other adverse food reaction due to milk and dairy products with tolerance to baked milk (T78.110)

Add - **T78.119** Other adverse food reaction due to milk and dairy products with baked milk tolerance / reactivity, unspecified

Add - **T78.12** Other adverse food reaction due to eggs

Add - **T78.120** Other adverse food reaction due to egg with tolerance to baked egg

Excludes1: Other adverse food reaction due to egg with reactivity to baked egg (T78.121)

Add - **T78.121** Other adverse food reaction due to egg with reactivity to baked egg

Excludes1: Other adverse food reaction due to egg with tolerance to baked egg (T78.120)

Add - **T78.129** Other adverse food reaction due to egg with baked egg tolerance/reactivity, unspecified

Add - **T78.19** Other adverse food reactions, not elsewhere classified

# Chapter 20 External causes of morbidity (V00-Y99)

Add - **W44.H9** Other sharp object entering into or through a natural orifice

Shard pottery entering into or through a natural orifice

Add - **W45.3** Fishing hook entering through skin

# Chapter 20 External causes of morbidity (V00-Y99)

Add - **Y36.A** Blast overpressure in war operations

Code also type of explosive, if known

accidental detonation of onboard munitions (Y36.140)

explosion of grenade (Y36.290)

explosion of torpedo (Y36.040)

improvised explosive device (Y36.230)

**Y36.A1** Low level blast overpressure in war operations

LLB overpressure in war operations

Low level blast overpressure due to explosion in war operations

# Chapter 20 External causes of morbidity (V00-Y99)

**Y36.A** Blast overpressure in war operations (cont'd)

Add - **Y36.A2** High level blast overpressure in war operations

High level blast overpressure due to explosion in war operations

HLB overpressure in war operations

# Chapter 20 External causes of morbidity (V00-Y99)

## **Y37** Military operations

Add **Y37.A** Blast overpressure in military operations

Code also type of explosive, if known

accidental detonation of onboard munitions (Y37.140)

explosion of grenade (Y37.290)

explosion of torpedo (Y37.040)

improvised explosive device (Y37.230)

Add **Y37.A1** Low level blast overpressure in military operations

LLB overpressure in military operations

Low level blast overpressure due to explosion in military ops

Add **Y37.A2** High level blast overpressure in military operations

High level blast overpressure due to explosion in military ops

HLB overpressure in military operations

# Chapter 21 Factors influencing health status and contact with health services (Z00-Z99)

## Z59.86 Financial insecurity

Delete Bankruptcy

Add **Z59.861** Financial insecurity, difficulty paying for utilities

Add Difficulty paying for electricity

Add Difficulty paying for heat

Add Difficulty paying for oil

Add Difficulty paying water bill

Add Utility disconnect notice due to inability to pay

Add Excludes2: inadequate housing utilities (Z59.12)

Add **Z59.868** Other specified financial insecurity

Add Bankruptcy

Add **Z59.869** Financial insecurity, unspecified

# Chapter 21 Factors influencing health status and contact with health services (Z00-Z99)

## Z91.01 Food allergy status

Z91.011 Allergy to milk products

Add - **Z91.0110** Allergy to milk products, unspecified

Add - **Z91.0111** Allergy to milk products with tolerance to baked milk

Excludes1: Allergy to milk products with reactivity to baked milk (Z91.0112)

Add - **Z91.0112** Allergy to milk products with reactivity to baked milk

Excludes1: Allergy to milk products with tolerance to baked milk (Z91.0111)



## Chapter 21 Factors influencing health status and contact with health services - Cont.

Z91.012 Allergy to eggs

Add - **Z91.0120** Allergy to eggs, unspecified

Add - **Z91.0121** Allergy to eggs with tolerance to baked egg

Excludes1: Allergy to eggs with reactivity to baked egg (Z91.0122)

Add - **Z91.0122** Allergy to eggs with reactivity to baked egg

Excludes1: Allergy to egg with tolerance to baked egg (Z91.0121)

# 2026 ICD Guidelines

## 2026 ICD-10 Guidelines Updates - Eff 10/1/25

### Multiple Sites Coding

The classification defines “multiple” as involving two or more sites. Follow chapter-specific guidelines for assigning codes for “multiple sites.” In the absence of chapter-specific guidelines, assign codes describing specified sites individually when documented. When the specified site(s) are not documented, assign the appropriate code for “multiple sites.”

# 2026 ICD Guidelines (cont'd)

## 2026 ICD-10 Guidelines Updates - Eff 10/1/25 cont'd

### Type 2 diabetes mellitus in remission

Code E11.A, Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications in remission, is assigned **based on provider documentation** that the diabetes mellitus is in remission. If the documentation is unclear as to whether the Type 2 diabetes mellitus has achieved remission, the provider should be queried. For example, the term **“resolved” is not synonymous with remission.**

# 2026 ICD Guidelines (cont'd)

## 2026 ICD-10 Guidelines Updates - Eff 10/1/25 cont'd

### Z68 Body mass index (BMI)

BMI codes should only be assigned when there is an associated, reportable diagnosis (such as obesity **or anorexia**) **documented by the patient's provider.**

Do not assign BMI codes during pregnancy. **When the documentation reflects fluctuating BMI values during the current encounter for an associated reportable condition, assign a code for the most severe value.**



# 2026 CPT Changes

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# Microbiology

**NEW** - Infectious agent detection by...

**87494** ... nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); Chlamydia trachomatis **and** Neisseria gonorrhoeae, multiplex amplified probe technique

- Do not report with 87491, 87591

**87812** ... immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) **and** influenza virus types A and B

- Do not report with 87804, 87811

# Immune globulins, Serum or Recombinant Products

## MODIFIED

**90480** Immunization administration by intramuscular injection, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine; first or only component of each vaccine administered

## NEW

**+90481** ...; each additional component administered

# Immune globulins, Serum or Recombinant Products

**NEW:** Risk benefit counseling WITHOUT Admin

- ★ **90482** Immunization counseling by physician or other QHCP when imm(s) is not administered by provider on the same DOS; 3 minutes up to 10 minutes
- ★ **90483** ...; greater than 10 mins up to 20 mins
- ★ **90484** ...; greater than 20 mins



# RVU Comparisons

**90482** Imm counsel by MD/QHCP

when imm(s) not admin by

provider on same DOS; 3-10 mins

**90483** ...; 10+ - 20 mins

**90484** ...; >20 mins

## NON-FACILITY

	2025	2026
90460	0.24	0.70
90461	0.18	0.26
90471	0.17	0.66
90472	0.15	0.48
90473	0.17	0.52
90474	0.15	0.37
90480	-	0.71
90481	-	0.00
90482	-	0.44
90483	-	0.85
90484	-	1.24

# Vaccines, Toxoids

## NEW and Pending FDA Approval

⚡ **90612** Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent, and severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) ([COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, 31.7 mcg/0.32 mL dosage, for IM use

⚡ **90613** Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, and severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) ([COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, 40 mcg/0.4 mL dosage, for IM use

Admin codes: 90480, 90481

# Vaccines, Toxoids

NEW

**90620** Meningococcal recombinant protein and outer membrane vesicle vaccine, serogroup B (MenB-4C), for IM use

**90631** Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), H5, pandemic formulation, split virus, adjuvanted, for IM use

Admin code: 90460, 90461, 90471, 90472, 90473, 90474

# Mid-Year Release

## AMA: Category I Vaccine Long Code Descriptors

**91323** Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) vaccine, mRNA-LNP, 10 mcg/0.2 mL dosage, for intramuscular use

**90635** Influenza virus vaccine, H5N1, derived from cell cultures, adjuvanted, for IM use

*Eff July 1, 2025*



# Immune globulins, Serum or Recombinant Products

NEW

**90382** Respiratory syncytial virus, monoclonal antibody, seasonal dose, 0.7 mL, for intramuscular use

Reminders:

- Administration of respiratory syncytial virus, monoclonal antibody, seasonal dose, see 96380, 96381
- Do not report with 96372 Therapeutic, prophylactic, or diagnostic injection, SUBQ or IM

# Proprietary Laboratory Analyses

NEW

**0527U** Abbott Alinity™ m HSV 1 & 2 / VZV Assay, Abbott Molecular, Inc

Herpes simplex virus (HSV) types 1 and 2 and Varicella zoster virus (VZV), amplified probe technique, each pathogen reported as detected or not detected

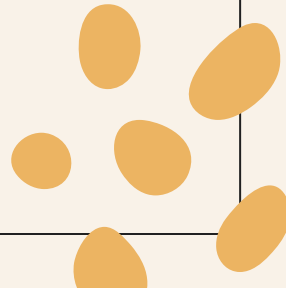
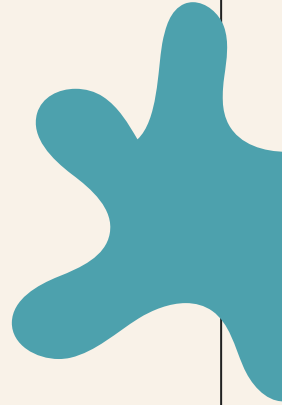
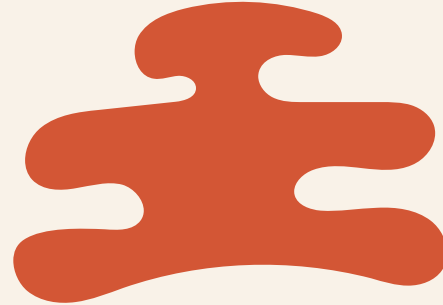
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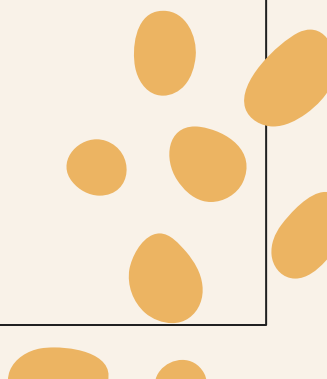

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