



Valid ICD-10 Diagnosis Code Requirement

Please share this information with billing staff. Beginning October 16, 2017, claims that do not list ICD-10 codes to the required level of specificity will be denied, regardless of date of service. Providers can resubmit these claims with a valid code.

The Alliance follows current national ICD-10 coding guidelines. Please note that ICD-10 codes are subject to change.

Billing Tips:

- * ICD-10 CM codes are composed of 3-7 characters.
- * Codes with three characters are included in ICD-10 CM as the heading of a category of codes.
- * These codes may be further subdivided by the use of fourth, fifth, sixth, or seventh characters to provide greater specificity.
- * A three-character code is to be used only if there is no further subdivision.
- * If the submitted code is not recognized as a valid code, the claim will be denied with explanation 3VV: USE CORRECT ICD-9 OR ICD-10 DIAG CODES FOR THE DATE(S) OF SERVICE. Providers can resubmit the claim with a valid code.

Examples of ICD-10 CM category codes:

E78 Disorders of lipoprotein metabolism and other lipidemias requires a fourth character. E78.1 Pure hyperglyceridemia E78.2 Mixed E78.3 Hyperchylomicronemia
E78.0 Pure hypercholesterolemia requires a fifth character. E78.00 Pure hypercholesterolemia, unspecified E78.01 Familial hypercholesterolemia
E11.329 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, requires a seventh character. E11.3291 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye E11.3292 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye E11.3293 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral E11.3299 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye

An example of invalid ICD-10 CM diagnosis code is Z00.100. This code does not exist in ICD-10 CM.

For additional resources on ICD-10 diagnoses codes, please visit the Alliance provider website at www.ccah-alliance.org/icd10_information.html

If you have questions, please contact the Alliance Claims department from 9AM to 4PM at (831) 430-5503, or an Alliance Provider Services Representative from 8AM to 5PM at (831) 430-5504.