

# Master the 2017 Code Changes

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## 2017 Code Changes

- 2670 coding changes
  - 1943 new codes
  - 422 revised codes
  - 305 deleted codes
- First update since 2011 code freeze
- Final code update will be released in June
- Guidelines and addenda will be released in June
- Changes take effect October 1, 2016

# Most Common Changes Effecting Home Health and Hospice

- Chapter 4: Endocrine (E00-E89)
  - - 260 new codes for reporting manifestations
- Chapter 13: Musculoskeletal (M00-M99)
  - - 152 new codes including bunions and cervical spine disorders
- Chapter 19: Injury, poisoning (S00-T88)
  - - 885 new codes most including fracture codes

*Note: See quick view tool*

## 2017 Code Changes

- Seems like a lot of changes
- Many represent the same code with different 7<sup>th</sup> characters
- Deleting an unspecified code and replacing with characters for laterality
- Deleted code examples:
  - S03.4xxA – Sprain of jaw, initial encounter
  - S03.4xxD – Sprain of jaw, subsequent encounter
  - S03.4xxS – Sprain of jaw, sequela

# 2017 Code Changes

## Infectious and Parasitic Diseases

- Infectious and parasitic disease chapter has no changes
- *Note: A92.5, Zika virus, is expected to be fast tracked and included in the final code set for 2017 released later this month*

# 2017 Code Changes

## Neoplasms

### Revision Example

- C81.11 Nodular sclerosis classical Hodgkin lymphoma, lymph nodes of head, face, and neck
- C81.11 Nodular sclerosis Hodgkin lymphoma, lymph nodes of head, face, and neck

# 2017 Code Changes Neoplasms

## New Code Examples

- C49.A1 Gastrointestinal stromal tumor of esophagus
- D47.Z2 Castleman disease

# 2017 Code Changes Diseases of the Blood

## New Code Examples

- D89.40 Mast cell activation, unspecified
- D89.41 Monoclonal mast cell activation syndrome
- D89.42 Idiopathic mast cell activation syndrome
- D89.43 Secondary mast cell activation
- D89.49 Other mast cell activation disorder

# 2017 Code Changes

## Endocrine

- Deleted Code:
- E11.321 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
- Revised to:
- E11.3211 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
- E11.3212 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
- E11.3213 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
- E11.3219 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye

## Example

- Type II insulin dependent diabetic admitted for management of new meds due to exacerbation of macular edema due to mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy of the right eye. Patient is on insulin
- M1021: E11.3211 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
- M1023: Z79.4 Long term (current) use of insulin

# 2017 Code Changes

## Endocrine

- E89.810 Postprocedural hemorrhage and hematoma of an endocrine system organ or structure following an endocrine system procedure
- Revise to
- E89.810 Postprocedural hemorrhage of an endocrine system organ or structure following an endocrine system procedure
- New code:
- E89.820 Add Postprocedural hematoma of an endocrine system organ or structure following an endocrine system procedure

# 2017 Code Changes

## Mental, Behavioral

- Delete:
- F42 Obsessive-compulsive disorder
- New Codes:
- F42.2 Mixed obsessional thoughts and acts
- F42.3 Hoarding disorder
- F42.4 Excoriation (skin-picking) disorder
- F42.8 Other obsessive compulsive disorder
- F42.9 Obsessive-compulsive disorder, unspecified

## Example

- Patient admitted with a diagnosis of alcoholic cirrhosis with ascites and obsessive compulsive disorder. The nurse arrives to find she must follow a narrow pathway to the patient due to old magazines and newspapers stacked from floor to ceiling in every room. The drinking is in remission per the physician. The ascites is the focus of care.

## Answer

- M1021: K70.31 Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver with ascites
- M1023: F10.21 Alcohol dependence in remission
- M1023: F42.3 Hoarding disorder

## 2017 Code Changes Mental, Behavioral

- Delete:
- F50.8 Other eating disorders
- New Code:
- F50.81 Binge eating disorder
- F50.89 Other specified eating disorder

## 2017 Code Changes Mental, Behavioral

- New Code:
- F64.0 Transsexualism
- F64.1 Gender identity disorder in adolescence and adulthood
- Revise to:
- F64.1 Dual role transvestism



# 2017 Code Changes

## Nervous System

- New Codes:
- G56.03 Carpal tunnel syndrome, bilateral upper limbs
- G56.13 Other lesions of median nerve, bilateral upper limbs
- G56.23 Lesion of ulnar nerve, bilateral upper limbs
- G56.33 Lesion of radial nerve, bilateral upper limbs

# 2017 Code Changes

## Circulatory System

- New Codes:
- I16.0 Hypertensive urgency
- I16.1 Hypertensive emergency
- I16.9 Hypertensive crisis, unspecified

## 2017 Code Changes Circulatory System

- Deleted Code:
- I69.31 Cognitive deficits following cerebral infarction
- New Codes:
- I69.310 Attention and concentration deficit following cerebral infarction
- I69.311 Memory deficit following cerebral infarction
- I69.312 Visuospatial deficit and spatial neglect following cerebral infarction

## 2017 Code Changes Circulatory System

- I69.313 Psychomotor deficit following cerebral infarction
- I69.314 Frontal lobe and executive function deficit following cerebral infarction
- I69.315 Cognitive social or emotional deficit following cerebral infarction
- I69.318 Other symptoms and signs involving cognitive functions following cerebral infarction
- I69.319 Unspecified symptoms and signs involving cognitive functions following cerebral infarction

## Example

- Patient admitted with memory problems, visuospatial deficits, and aphasia due to a CVA suffered 2 weeks ago. The patient also has HTN and the focus of care is the memory deficit.

## Answer

- M1021: I69.311 Memory deficit following cerebral infarction
- M1023: I69.312 Visuospatial deficit and spatial neglect following cerebral infarction
- M1023: I69.320 Aphasia following cerebral infarction
- M1023: I10 Hypertension

# 2017 Code Changes

## Digestive System

- New Codes:
- K58.1 Irritable bowel syndrome with constipation
- K58.2 Mixed irritable bowel syndrome
- K58.8 Other irritable bowel syndrome
- K59.03 Drug induced constipation
- K59.04 Chronic idiopathic constipation

# 2017 Code Changes

## Skin and Subcutaneous

- New Code:
- L03.213 Periorbital cellulitis
- Revisions:
- L76.21 Postprocedural hemorrhage and hematoma of skin and subcutaneous tissue following a dermatologic procedure
- L76.21 Postprocedural hemorrhage of skin and subcutaneous tissue following a dermatologic procedure
- New code:
- L76.31 Add Postprocedural hematoma of skin and subcutaneous tissue following a dermatologic procedure

# 2017 Code Changes

## Musculoskeletal System

- New Codes:
- M84.751A Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, initial encounter for fracture
- M84.751D Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, subsequent encounter for fracture with routine healing
- M84.751G Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing
- M84.751K Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, subsequent encounter for fracture with nonunion
- M84.751P Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion
- M84.751S Incomplete atypical femoral fracture, right leg, sequela

# 2017 Code Changes

## Musculoskeletal System

- New Codes:
- M97.01XA Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, initial encounter
- M97.01XD Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, subsequent encounter
- M97.01XS Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, sequela

## 2017 Code Changes

### Injury Poisoning

- Deleted codes:
- T84.040A Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, initial encounter
- T84.040D Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, subsequent encounter
- T84.040S Periprosthetic fracture around internal prosthetic right hip joint, sequela

## 2017 Code Changes

### Genitourinary System

- N40.0 Enlarged prostate without lower urinary tract symptoms
- N40.0 Benign prostatic hyperplasia without lower urinary tract symptoms
- N40.1 Enlarged prostate with lower urinary tract symptoms
- N40.1 Benign prostatic hyperplasia with lower urinary tract symptoms

# 2017 Code Changes

## Signs and Symptoms

79 new codes

20 more specific glasgow coma scale codes

42 are new NIHSS levels for a stroke

Core	Stroke Severity
0	No Stroke Symptoms
1-4	Minor Stroke
5-15	Moderate Stroke
16-20	Moderate to Severe Stroke
21-42	Severe Stroke

## Scale Performance

- Level of consciousness
- Horizontal eye movement
- Visual field test
- Facial palsy
- Motor arm
- Motor leg
- Limb ataxia
- Sensory Language
- Speech
- Extinction and inattention

## Example

- Patient admitted with memory problems, visuospatial deficits, and aphasia due to a CVA suffered 2 weeks ago. The patient also has HTN and the focus of care is the memory deficit. Documentation states the patient has an NIHSS score of 18.

## Answer

- M1021: I69.311 Memory deficit following cerebral infarction
- M1023: I69.312 Visuospatial deficit and spatial neglect following cerebral infarction
- M1023: I69.320 Aphasia following cerebral infarction
- R29.718 NIHSS score 18
- M1023: I10 Hypertension



## 2017 Code Changes Signs and Symptoms

- R73.03 Prediabetes
- R82.71 Bacteriuria
- R82.79 Other abnormal findings on microbiological examination of urine
- R97.20 Elevated prostate specific antigen [PSA]
- R97.21 Rising PSA following treatment for malignant neoplasm of prostate

## 2017 Code Changes Injury Poisoning

- 885 new codes
- Majority were more specificity in fracture codes
- More specificity in concussion codes (loss of consciousness)
- 3 new stenosis of coronary artery stent
- 3 new stenosis of peripheral vascular stent

# Urinary Device Complications

- Breakdown
- Displacement
- Leakage
- Infection and inflammatory reaction
- Other mechanical complication

# Urinary Device Complications

- T83.011D Breakdown (mechanical) of indwelling urethral catheter, subsequent encounter
- T83.012D Breakdown (mechanical) of nephrostomy catheter, subsequent encounter
- 7th character options (A, D, S)

## 2017 Code Changes

### External Causes of Morbidity

- V47.1XXD Car passenger injured in collision with fixed or stationary object in non-traffic accident, subsequent encounter
- W26.2XXD Contact with edge of stiff paper, subsequent encounter
- Y93.85 Activity, choking game

## 2017 Code Changes

### Factors Influencing Health Status

- Z79.84 Long term (current) use of oral hypoglycemic drugs

## Example

- Type II insulin dependent diabetic admitted for management of new meds due to exacerbation of macular edema due to mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy of the right eye. Patient is on oral hypoglycemics
- E11.3211 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
- M1023: Z79.84 Long term (current) use of oral hypoglycemic drugs

## Coding Clinic

- 7<sup>th</sup> Character Clarification
- The Meaning of ‘with’



# 2016 PPS Final Rule

## 7<sup>th</sup> Character Clarification



## 7<sup>th</sup> Character

- Based on the 2014 guideline revisions certain initial encounters are appropriate when the patient is receiving active treatment during a home health episode
- It is also possible for home health encounters to be designated as subsequent encounters based on services that are provided during the healing and recovery phase

## 7<sup>th</sup> Character

- CMS has made both A and D acceptable as 7<sup>th</sup> characters for the purposes of case mix diagnoses as of January 1, 2016
- Certain codes from the S and T categories
- No fracture codes
- Some burn codes
- Some open wound codes
- Some complication codes

## Chapter 19 Specific Guidance

- While the patient may be seen by a new or different provider over the course of treatment for an injury, assignment of the 7th character is based on whether the patient is undergoing active treatment and not whether the provider is seeing the patient for the first time.

# Chapter 19

## Specific Guidance

- 7th character “A”, initial encounter is used while the patient is receiving active treatment for the condition
- Examples of active treatment are:
  - surgical treatment
  - emergency department encounter evaluation
  - continuing treatment by the same or a different physician

## Additional Examples

- Coding Clinic Examples:
  - Antibiotic therapy for postoperative infection
  - Wound vac treatment of wound dehiscence

❖ *Note: There is no Z code for wound vac*

# Active Treatment

- Active treatment can be performed in stages – Active treatment may involve multiple episodes of care for injury or complications of medical/surgical care
- Active treatment may involve more than one physician treating the patient
- Active treatment can include evaluation and treatment by a new physician

## Chapter 19 Specific Guidance

- 7th character “D” subsequent encounter is used for encounters *after* the patient has received active treatment of the condition and is receiving routine care for the condition during the healing or recovery phase
- Examples of subsequent care are:
  - cast change or removal
  - x-ray to check healing status of fracture,
  - removal of external or internal fixation device
  - medication adjustment
  - other aftercare
  - follow up visits following treatment of the injury or condition



## Additional Examples

- Coding Clinic Examples:
- Rehabilitative therapy encounters (e.g., physical therapy, occupational therapy)
- Suture removal
- Follow-up visits to assess healing status (regardless of whether the follow-up is with the same or a different provider)
- Dressing changes and other aftercare

## Official Guideline Revision

- For **complication** codes, active treatment refers to treatment for the condition described by the code, even though it may be related to an earlier precipitating problem.
- For example, code T84.50XA, Infection and inflammatory reaction due to unspecified internal joint prosthesis, initial encounter, is used when active treatment is provided for the infection
- Even though the condition relates to the prosthetic device, implant or graft that was placed at a previous encounter.

## 7<sup>th</sup> Character

- The assignment of the seventh character should be based on clinical information from the physician and depends on whether
  - The patient is receiving **active** treatment of the condition in which the code describes
  - The patient is receiving **ongoing** care for that condition during the healing and recovery stage.

## Example Active Treatment

- Patient discharged from hospital with an infected hip joint prosthesis. Patient was started on IV antibiotics in the hospital and is being discharged to home health on continued IV antibiotics and dressing changes
- M1021: T84.51XA Infection and inflammatory reaction due to internal right hip prosthesis, initial encounter
- *Note: Continued antibiotic treatment for the infection is considered active treatment*

## Example

### Active Treatment

- Patient admitted for wound care with wound vac to deep right lower quadrant stab wound of the abdomen extending into peritoneal cavity.
- M1021: S31.613A Laceration without foreign body of abdominal wall, right lower quadrant with penetration into peritoneal cavity, initial encounter
- *Note: Wound vac is considered active treatment*

## Example

### Subsequent Treatment

- Patient discharged from hospital with an infected hip joint prosthesis. Patient no longer receiving IV antibiotics and is being discharged to home health for O&A and PT.
- M1021: T84.51XD Infection and inflammatory reaction due to internal right hip prosthesis, subsequent encounter
- *Note: Ongoing treatment in the healing and recovery phase is considered subsequent treatment*

## Example

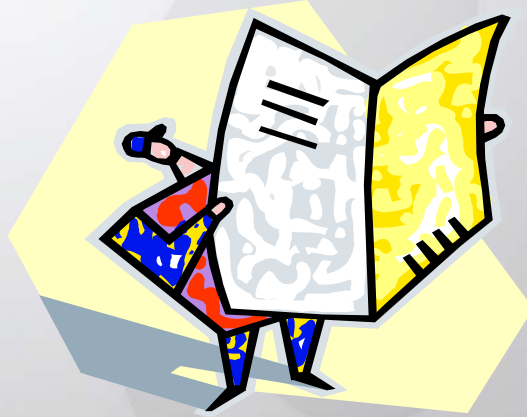
# Subsequent Treatment

- Patient admitted to home health for physical therapy related to status post repair of left hip fracture with routine healing. There are no post-op complications.
- M1021: S72.002D Fracture of unspecified part of neck of left femur, subsequent encounter for closed fracture with routine healing
- *Note: Received and completed active treatment*
- *Note: New patient to home health agency has no bearing on 7th character assignment*

## 7<sup>th</sup> Character

- The assignment of the seventh character should be based on clinical information from the physician and depends on whether
  - The patient is receiving active treatment of the condition in which the code describes
  - The patient is receiving ongoing care for that condition during the healing and recovery stage.
  - Documentation should be from current encounter

# Convention 'with' Clarification



## WITH

- The word 'with' should be interpreted to mean 'associated with' or 'due to' when it appears in a code title, the Alphabetic Index, or an instructional note in the Tabular list
- The word "with" in the Alphabetic Index is sequenced immediately following the main term, not in alphabetical order

# Alphabetic Index 'with'

0	with macular edema E10.351	with
	skin complication NEC E10.628	
	skin ulcer NEC E10.622	
	type 2 E11.9	
	with	
E13.49	amyotrophy E11.44	
.610	arthropathy NEC E11.618	
E13.39	autonomic (poly) neuropathy E11.43	
538	cataract E11.36	
	Charcot's joints E11.610	
	chronic kidney disease E11.22	
	circulatory complication NEC E11.59	
	complication E11.8	
29	specified NEC E11.69	
3.29	dermatitis E11.620	
	foot ulcer E11.621	
11	gangrene E11.52	
	gastroparesis E11.43	
321	glomerulonephrosis, intracapillary E11.21	
3.321	glomerulosclerosis, intercapillary E11.21	
3.331	hyperglycemia E11.65	
	hyperosmolarity E11.00	
3.341	with coma E11.01	
	hypoglycemia E11.649	
351	with coma E11.641	
28	kidney complications NEC E11.29	
	Kimmelsteil-Wilson disease E11.21	
	mononeuropathy E11.41	
	myasthenia E11.44	
	necrobiosis lipoidica E11.620	
	nephropathy E11.21	
	neuralgia E11.42	
	neurologic complication NEC E11.49	

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## Example Assumed Relationship

- Patient admitted with type 2 diabetes. The patient also has a left mid foot ulcer and the documentation indicates the fat layer is exposed.

## Answer

- M1021: E11.621 Type 2 diabetes mellitus with foot ulcer
- M1023: L97.422 Non pressure chronic ulcer of left mid foot with fat layer exposed

## Example Non-Assumed Relationship

- Type II insulin dependent diabetic admitted for management of chronic osteomyelitis of the left foot. Physician ordered IV antibiotics daily x 6 weeks. Pt. takes oral hypoglycemics.

## Answer

- M1021: M86.672 Other chronic osteomyelitis of the left ankle and foot
- M1023: E11.9 Type II diabetes mellitus without complication
- M1023: Z45.2 Encounter for adjustment and management of vascular access device
- M1023: Z79.2 Long term (current) use of antibiotics
- M1023: Z79.84 Long term (current) use of oral hypoglycemic

## Take Away Points

- The code summary has been released
- The addenda and guidelines will be released
- Increased code specificity requires more thorough documentation
- 7<sup>th</sup> character depends on what type of treatment is provided
- Alpha index becomes even more important with the 'with' clarification



# What Questions Do You Have?



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