ICD-10 Guidelines

How to use ICD-10 codes?

To use ICD-10 codes effectively, follow these steps:

- 1. **Identify the diagnosis**: Review the patient's medical records to determine the specific diagnosis based on symptoms, medical history, and test results.
- 2. **Consult the alphabetic index**: Use the Alphabetic Index in the ICD-10 manual to find the initial code associated with the condition. Search by the main term or symptom.
- 3. **Verify with the tabular list**: Cross-reference the initial code found in the Alphabetic Index with the Tabular List to ensure accuracy and specificity. The Tabular List provides additional details and instructions for coding the condition correctly.
- 4. **Choose the most specific code**: Always select the most detailed code available to accurately capture the diagnosis. ICD-10 codes can be as specific as seven characters, which provide information on the category, etiology, body part, severity, and other details.
- 5. **Use multiple codes if necessary**: Some conditions may require more than one code to fully describe the diagnosis, complications, or coexisting conditions. Follow guidelines for sequencing if more than one code is needed.

Common ICD-10 codes

Respiratory conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
C32.9	Malignant neoplasm of larynx, unspecified
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung
G47.30	Sleep apnea, unspecified
126.09	Other pulmonary embolism with acute cor pulmonale
126.99	Other pulmonary embolism without acute cor pulmonale
127.0	Primary pulmonary hypertension
J00	Acute nasopharyngitis [common cold]
J01	Acute sinusitis
J02.9	Acute pharyngitis, unspecified
J03.90	Acute tonsillitis, unspecified
J04.0	Acute laryngitis

ICD-10 code	Description
J06.9	Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified
J11.00	Influenza due to unidentified influenza virus with unspecified type of pneumonia
J12.8	Other viral pneumonia
J18.9	Pneumonia, unspecified organism
J20.9	Acute bronchitis, unspecified
J30.9	Allergic rhinitis, unspecified
J32.9	Chronic sinusitis, unspecified
J42	Unspecified chronic bronchitis
J44.0	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease with (acute) lower respiratory infection
J44.9	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, unspecified
J45.90	Unspecified asthma
J47.9	Bronchiectasis, uncomplicated
J80	Acute respiratory distress syndrome
J84.9	Interstitial pulmonary disease, unspecified
J90	Pleural effusion, not elsewhere classified
J93.9	Pneumothorax, unspecified
J96.01	Acute respiratory failure with hypoxia
J96.9	Respiratory failure, unspecified
R05	Cough
R05.1	Acute cough
R05.3	Chronic cough

Cardiovascular conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
109.9	Rheumatic heart disease, unspecified
l10	Essential (primary) hypertension
I11.9	Hypertensive heart disease without heart failure
l13.2	Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease with heart failure and with stage 5 chronic kidney disease, or end stage renal disease

ICD-10 code	Description
120.8	Other forms of angina pectoris
120.9	Angina pectoris, unspecified
I21.9	Acute myocardial infarction, unspecified
125.10	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery without angina pectoris
127.0	Primary pulmonary hypertension
127.9	Pulmonary heart disease, unspecified
130.0	Acute nonspecific idiopathic pericarditis
130.9	Acute pericarditis, unspecified
I31.9	Disease of pericardium, unspecified
133.9	Acute and subacute endocarditis, unspecified
134.9	Nonrheumatic mitral valve disorder, unspecified
138	Endocarditis, valve unspecified
140.9	Acute myocarditis, unspecified
142.9	Cardiomyopathy, unspecified
145.6	Pre-excitation syndrome
146.9	Cardiac arrest, cause unspecified
I48.91	Unspecified atrial fibrillation
148.92	Unspecified atrial flutter
149.01	Ventricular fibrillation
150.9	Heart failure, unspecified
I51.9	Heart disease, unspecified
164	Family history of stroke
I71.9	Aortic aneurysm of unspecified site, without rupture
173.9	Peripheral vascular disease, unspecified
182.40	Acute embolism and thrombosis of unspecified deep veins of lower extremity
183.90	Asymptomatic varicose veins of unspecified lower extremity
187.2	Venous insufficiency (chronic) (peripheral)
195.9	Hypotension, unspecified
Q21.0	Ventricular septal defect

ICD-10 code	Description
Q21.1	Atrial septal defect
Q21.3	Tetralogy of Fallot
Q24.6	Congenital heart block
Q24.9	Congenital malformation of heart, unspecified
Q25.1	Coarctation of aorta
R57.0	Cardiogenic shock

Gastrointestinal conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
A09	Infectious gastroenteritis and colitis, unspecified
B17.10	Acute hepatitis C without hepatic coma
C18.9	Malignant neoplasm of colon, unspecified
C25.9	Malignant neoplasm of pancreas, unspecified
K20.9	Esophagitis, unspecified
K21.9	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis
K22.70	Barrett's esophagus without dysplasia
K25.9	Gastric ulcer, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K27.9	Peptic ulcer, site unspecified, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K29.70	Gastritis, unspecified, without bleeding
K30	Functional dyspepsia
K35.80	Unspecified acute appendicitis
K40.9	Unilateral inguinal hernia, without obstruction or gangrene
K50.10	Crohn's disease of large intestine without complications
K50.90	Crohn's disease, unspecified, without complications
K51.2	Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis
K51.90	Ulcerative colitis, unspecified, without complications
K57.30	Diverticulosis of large intestine without perforation or abscess without bleeding

ICD-10 code	Description
K57.90	Diverticulosis of intestine, part unspecified, without perforation or abscess without bleeding
K58.9	Irritable bowel syndrome without diarrhea
K59.00	Constipation, unspecified
K60.2	Anal fissure, unspecified
K62.5	Hemorrhage of anus and rectum
K64.9	Unspecified hemorrhoids
K65.9	Peritonitis, unspecified
K72.90	Hepatic failure, unspecified without coma
K74.60	Unspecified cirrhosis of liver
K75.81	Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)
K80.20	Calculus of gallbladder without cholecystitis without obstruction
K81.0	Acute cholecystitis
K82.9	Disease of gallbladder, unspecified
K85.9	Acute pancreatitis, unspecified
K90.0	Celiac disease
K92.2	Gastrointestinal hemorrhage, unspecified

Musculoskeletal conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
G56.0	Carpal tunnel syndrome
L40.9	Psoriasis, unspecified
M06.9	Rheumatoid arthritis, unspecified
M10.9	Gout, unspecified
M17.9	Osteoarthritis of knee, unspecified
M25.5	Pain in joint
M26.60	Temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified
M31.6	Other giant cell arteritis
M35.3	Polymyalgia rheumatica

ICD-10 code	Description
M41.9	Scoliosis, unspecified
M45	Ankylosing spondylitis
M47.9	Spondylosis, unspecified
M48.0	Spinal stenosis
M51.2	Other thoracic, thoracolumbar and lumbosacral intervertebral disc displacement
M54.2	Cervicalgia
M54.5	Low back pain
M54.9	Dorsalgia, unspecified
M71.50	Other bursitis, not elsewhere classified, unspecified site
M75.1	Rotator cuff tear or rupture, not specified as traumatic
M75.20	Bicipital tendinitis, unspecified shoulder
M77.9	Enthesopathy, unspecified
M79.1	Myalgia
M79.7	Fibromyalgia
M81.0	Age-related osteoporosis without current pathological fracture
M84.40	Pathological fracture, unspecified site
M86.0	Acute hematogenous osteomyelitis
M86.9	Osteomyelitis, unspecified
M88.9	Osteitis deformans of unspecified bone
S52.90XA	Unspecified fracture of unspecified forearm
S93.1	Dislocation of toe(s)
S93.4	Sprain and strain of ankle

Mental health conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
F03.90	Dementia, unspecified
F05	Delirium, not induced by alcohol and other psychoactive substances
F06.9	Mood disorder due to a medical condition, unspecified

ICD-10 code	Description
F10.9	Alcohol use disorder, unspecified
F11.9	Drug use disorder, unspecified
F20.9	Schizophrenia, unspecified
F31.9	Bipolar disorder, unspecified
F32.9	Major depressive disorder, single episode, unspecified
F34.8	Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder
F41.0	Panic disorder, unspecified
F41.9	Anxiety disorder, unspecified
F42.9	Obsessive-compulsive disorder, unspecified
F43.10	Post-traumatic stress disorder, unspecified
F43.20	Adjustment disorders, unspecified
F50.9	Eating disorder, unspecified
F60.9	Personality disorder, unspecified
F79	Intellectual disabilities, unspecified
F84.0	Autism spectrum disorder, unspecified
F90.9	Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, unspecified
G30.9	Alzheimer's disease, unspecified
G40.909	Seizure disorder, unspecified
G47.9	Sleep disorder, unspecified

Infectious diseases

ICD-10 code	Description
A00.9	Cholera, unspecified
A01.0	Typhoid fever
A08.1	Acute gastroenteropathy due to Norwalk agent and other small round viruses
A09	Infectious gastroenteritis and colitis, unspecified
A15.0	Tuberculosis of lung
A15.9	Respiratory tuberculosis unspecified
A22.1	Pulmonary anthrax

ICD-10 code	Description
A22.9	Anthrax, unspecified
A30.9	Leprosy, unspecified
A35	Other tetanus
A36.9	Diphtheria, unspecified
A37.9	Whooping cough, unspecified species
A38	Scarlet fever
A41.9	Sepsis, unspecified organism
A48.1	Legionnaires' disease
A49.02	Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus infection, unspecified site
A52.9	Late syphilis, unspecified
A69.20	Lyme disease, unspecified
A69.21	Meningitis due to Lyme disease
A82.1	Urban rabies
A82.9	Rabies, unspecified
A90	Dengue fever [classical dengue]
A92.30	West Nile virus infection, unspecified
A92.5	Zika virus disease
A95.9	Yellow fever, unspecified
A98.4	Ebola virus disease
A98.5	Hemorrhagic fever with renal syndrome
B01.9	Varicella without complication
B02.9	Zoster without complications
B05.9	Measles without complication
B06.9	Rubella without complication
B15.9	Hepatitis A without hepatic coma
B18.1	Chronic viral hepatitis B without delta-agent
B18.2	Chronic viral hepatitis C
B20	Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease
B27.90	Infectious mononucleosis, unspecified without complication

ICD-10 code	Description
B34.2	Coronavirus infection, unspecified
B54	Unspecified malaria
B74.9	Filariasis, unspecified
J11.1	Influenza due to unidentified influenza virus with other respiratory manifestations
U04.9	Severe acute respiratory syndrome [SARS], unspecified

Neurological conditions

ICD-10 code	Description
A81.2	Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy
F95.2	Tourette's disorder
G03.9	Meningitis, unspecified
G04.9	Encephalitis, myelitis and encephalomyelitis, unspecified
G10	Huntington's disease
G11.9	Hereditary ataxia, unspecified
G12.21	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
G12.9	Spinal muscular atrophy, unspecified
G13.8	Systemic atrophy primarily affecting central nervous system in other diseases classified elsewhere
G20	Parkinsonism, unspecified
G21.9	Secondary parkinsonism, unspecified
G23.9	Degenerative disease of basal ganglia, unspecified
G24.9	Dystonia, unspecified
G25.0	Essential tremor
G30.9	Alzheimer's disease, unspecified
G31.83	Neurocognitive disorder with Lewy bodies
G35	Multiple sclerosis
G40.109	Localization-related (focal) (partial) symptomatic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes with simple partial seizures, not intractable, without status epilepticus

ICD-10 code	Description
G40.311	Generalized idiopathic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes, intractable, with status epilepticus
G40.801	Other epilepsy, not intractable, with status epilepticus
G40.901	Epilepsy, unspecified, not intractable, with status epilepticus
G40.909	Epilepsy, unspecified, not intractable, without status epilepticus
G43.109	Migraine with aura, not intractable, without status migrainosus
G43.709	Chronic migraine without aura, not intractable, without status migrainosus
G43.909	Migraine, unspecified, not intractable, without status migrainosus
G44.0	Cluster headaches and other trigeminal autonomic cephalgias (TAC)
G44.209	Tension-type headache, unspecified, not intractable
G44.309	Post-traumatic headache, unspecified, not intractable
G45.0	Vertebro-basilar artery syndrome
G45.9	Transient cerebral ischemic attack, unspecified
G46.4	Cerebellar stroke syndrome
G47.41	Narcolepsy
G47.9	Sleep disorder, unspecified
G50.0	Trigeminal neuralgia
G51.0	Bell's palsy
G54.9	Nerve root and plexus disorder, unspecified
G56.9	Mononeuropathy of upper limb, unspecified
G57.9	Unspecified mononeuropathy of lower limb
G58.9	Mononeuropathy, unspecified
G60.9	Hereditary and idiopathic neuropathy, unspecified
G61.0	Guillain-Barre syndrome
G61.9	Inflammatory polyneuropathy, unspecified
G62.9	Polyneuropathy, unspecified
G63	Polyneuropathy in diseases classified elsewhere
G64	Other disorders of peripheral nervous system
G70.0	Myasthenia gravis
G72.9	Myopathy, unspecified

ICD-10 code	Description
G80.9	Cerebral palsy, unspecified
G82.2	Paraplegia
G82.5	Quadriplegia
G90.9	Disorder of the autonomic nervous system, unspecified
G91.9	Hydrocephalus, unspecified
G93.1	Anoxic brain damage, not elsewhere classified
G93.9	Disorder of brain, unspecified
G94	Other disorders of brain in diseases classified elsewhere
G96.9	Disorder of central nervous system, unspecified
H81.2	Vestibular neuronitis
163.9	Cerebral infarction, unspecified
S06.9	Unspecified intracranial injury
S06.9X9	Unspecified intracranial injury with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration
S14.109	Unspecified injury at unspecified level of cervical spinal cord

Symptoms and signs

ICD-10 code	Description
R06.02	Shortness of breath
R07.9	Chest pain, unspecified
R10.9	Unspecified abdominal pain
R11.0	Nausea
R11.2	Nausea with vomiting, unspecified
R20.8	Other disturbances of skin sensation
R21	Rash and other nonspecific skin eruption
R23.1	Pallor
R23.2	Flushing
R41.0	Disorientation, unspecified
R41.82	Altered mental status, unspecified

ICD-10 code	Description
R42	Dizziness and giddiness
R43.0	Anosmia
R43.1	Parosmia
R44.0	Auditory hallucinations
R45.7	State of emotional shock and stress, unspecified
R46.0	Very low level of personal hygiene
R50.9	Fever, unspecified
R52	Pain, unspecified
R53.1	Weakness
R60.0	Localized edema
R60.1	Generalized edema
R63.4	Abnormal weight loss
R68.81	Early satiety
R68.83	Chills (without fever)