

Recommended ICD 10 - CM Codes

PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis) and PEP (post-exposure prophylaxis)

The International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) coding system does not designate specific billing codes for PrEP or PEP related services. The New York State Department of Health and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene recommend the use of the following ICD-10-CM codes for PrEP and PEP related outpatient services.

VISITS: All office visits must include a “principal diagnosis/first-listed condition” to be billable. Z20.6, bolded below, is classified as an “acceptable principal diagnosis” in the ICD-10-CM system. Always include Z20.6 when coding PrEP or PEP visits.

If an insurer requires additional coding clarifying a patient’s risk, Z20.2 (sexual exposure risk) and F19.20 (injection drug use exposure risk) can be added. These codes avoid the use of the Z72.x codes that are considered stigmatizing because they indicate “problems related to lifestyle.”

TESTS: Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), sexually transmitted infections, hepatitis c virus (HCV) and other tests associated with PrEP and PEP are related to the patient’s ongoing risk of infection, even if the patient is asymptomatic. Screening tests are ordered at initial visit. Subsequent visits use ‘contact with’ codes. Tests which are ordered to evaluate the patient for conditions potentially associated with long-term use of PrEP medication should include the code Z79.899.

PrEP-related Codes – Initial Visit		
Coding for:	ICD-10 Code	Description
Visit	Z20.6	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to HIV
	Z20.2	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission
Initial tests	Z01.812	Encounter for pre-procedural laboratory examination (applicable to blood and urine tests prior to treatment or procedure)
	Z11.3	Encounter for screening for infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission
	Z11.4	Encounter for screening for HIV
	Z11.59	Encounter for screening for other viral diseases*

PrEP-related Codes - 2nd and Subsequent Visits		
Coding for:	ICD-10 Code	Description
Visit and Tests	Z20.6	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to HIV
	Z20.2	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission
	Z79.899	Other long term drug therapy
	Z20.5	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to viral hepatitis*

PEP-related Codes – Initial and Subsequent Visits		
Coding for:	ICD-10 Code	Description
Visit and Tests	Z20.6	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to HIV
	Z77.21	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to potentially hazardous body fluids
	Z20.2	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission
	Z20.5	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to viral hepatitis*

***Medicare Part B Covers HCV antibody screening for individuals at high risk and other indication(s) CPCS Code G0472**

Covered Indications	ICD 10 Code	Description
Once for patients born from 1945-1965 not considered high risk An initial patient screening, regardless of birth year, for high-risk patients (patients who had a blood transfusion before 1992 and patients with current or history of illicit injection drug use)	Z11.59	Encounter for screening for other viral diseases
Annual screening: only for high-risk patients with continued illicit injection drug use since the prior negative HCV screening test	F19.20 Z72.89	Other psychoactive substance dependence, uncomplicated Other problems related to lifestyle

Consult Medicare guidance documents for specific billing details



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