

Risk Adjustment Desk Reference: ACA-HCC Risk Adjusted Chronic Condition Guide

Ensure your documentation is appropriate for hierarchical condition categories (HCC) coding by supporting each diagnosis with MEAT (monitored, evaluated, assessed/addressed and treated) information in the medical record for the patient encounter. **Documentation must reflect:**¹

- **M** — Monitoring signs, symptoms, disease progression, disease regression (S = Subjective)
- **E** — Evaluating test results, medication effectiveness, response to treatment (O = Objective)
- **A** — Assessing/Addressing ordered tests, discussion, review records, counseling (A= Assessment)
- **T** — Treating medications, therapies, other modalities (P = Plan)

NOTE: A simple list of diagnoses is neither acceptable nor valid per official coding guidelines, as it does not meet the definition of an assessment and plan.

Chronic Condition Documentation Requirements & Support

Condition	Report	Do not report
Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)	Incident — post 4 weeks (28 days)	28+ days after initial incident
Cerebral Infarction/Stroke	Initial incident only	After initial incident
Cancer	Active disease/Active treatment	After treatment, only monitoring for recurrence is considered cured.*
Deep Vein Thrombosis & Pulmonary Embolism	Acute: Clot is present. Chronic: Clot persists after initial treatment.	History of: lifelong anticoagulation for DVT or PE prophylaxis

*In remission: leukemia, multiple myeloma, malignant plasma cell neoplasms, lymphoma

Tables on the following pages include the most common chronic ACA Risk Adjusted ICD-10 diagnosis codes for conditions frequently used in the ambulatory setting. Key annotations for codes impacted within each category appear in grey-shaded cells.

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¹ Dick, M. Include MEAT in your risk adjustment documentation. American Academy of Professional Coders website., *Knowledge Center (blog)*. March 5, 2018. <https://www.aapc.com/blog/41212-include-meat-in-your-risk-adjustment-documentation/>. Accessed May 9, 2024.

Risk-Adjusted ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes: Chronic Conditions

Amputation Status		Bipolar and Major Depression		148.91	Unspecified atrial fibrillation
Z89.43_(1/2)	Foot, (R/L)	F31.9	Bipolar disorder, unspecified	148.92	Unspecified atrial flutter
Z89.44_(1/2)	Ankle, (R/L)	F31.81	Bipolar II disorder	149.5	Sick sinus syndrome
Z89.51_(1/2)	Below knee, (R/L)	F22	Paranoia / Delusional disorders	D68.69	Secondary hypercoagulable state (Common with A. Fib)
Z89.61_(1/2)	Above knee, (R/L)	F32.2	Major Depression single episode, severe w/out psychotic features*	Cardiomyopathy/Heart Failure	
Artificial Opening Status		F32.3	Major Depression single episode, severe with psychotic feature*	I42.0	Dilated Cardiomyopathy
Documentation must state current presence.		F33.2	Major Depression recurrent, severe w/out psychotic features*	I42.1	Obstructive hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
Z93.0	Tracheostomy	F33.3	Major Depression recurrent, severe w/ psychotic features*	I42.6	Alcoholic cardiomyopathy
Z93.1	Gastrostomy	* Major depression documentation should always state severity or remission status and any recurrence.		I42.7	Cardiomyopathy due to drug and external agent
Z93.2	Ileostomy	Anorexia/Bulimia		I42.9	Cardiomyopathy, unspecified
Z93.3	Colostomy	F50.00	Anorexia nervosa	I50.22	Chronic systolic (congestive) heart failure
Z93.50	Cystostomy, unspecified (suprapubic)	F50.2	Bulimia nervosa	I50.32	Chronic diastolic (congestive) heart failure
Z93.4	GI Tract (enterostomy)	Cardiology		I50.42	Chronic combined systolic and diastolic heart failure
Z93.6	Urinary tract, other (nephrostomy, ureterostomy, urethrostomy)	Arrhythmias		I50.812	Chronic right heart failure
Behavioral Health		I44.2	Atrioventricular block, complete	I50.82	Biventricular heart failure
Substance Use Disorders		I47.10	Supraventricular tachycardia	I50.83	High output heart failure
F10.20	Alcohol use disorder, moderate/severe (use F10.21 if in remission)	I47.20	Ventricular tachycardia	I50.84	End stage heart failure
F11.20	Opioid use disorder, moderate/severe (use F11.21 if in remission)	I48.0	Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation	I50.9	Unspecified Heart Failure
F13.20	Sedative, hypnotic, or anxiolytic use disorder, moderate/severe (use F13.21 if in remission)	I48.11	Longstanding persistent atrial fibrillation	E26.1	Secondary Hyperaldosteronism (Common with heart failure)
F14.20	Cocaine use disorder, moderate/severe (use F14.21 if in remission)	I48.19	Other persistent atrial fibrillation	Congenital Heart Disease	
F15.20	Other stimulant use disorder, moderate/severe (use F15.21 if in remission)	I48.20	Chronic atrial fibrillation, unspecified	Most congenital heart diseases risk adjust in ACA model.	
F19.20	Substance use disorder, moderate/severe (use F19.21 if in remission)	I48.21	Permanent atrial fibrillation	Q21.10	Atrial Septal Defect
		I48.3	Typical atrial flutter	Q21.0	Ventricular Septal Defect
		I48.4	Atypical atrial flutter	Q89.3	Situs Inversus

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Q23.4	Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome	E10.21	DM Type 1 w/ nephropathy	Gastroenterology		
Q21.3	Tetralogy of Fallot	E11.21	DM Type 2 w/nephropathy			
Pulmonary Hypertension / Heart Disease		E10.22	DM Type 1 w/ CKD*	K70.3_(0/1)	Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver (w/ or w/o ascites)	
I27.0	Primary pulmonary hypertension	E11.22	DM Type 2 w/ CKD*	K70.40	Alcoholic hepatic failure (w/o coma)	
I27.1	Kyphoscoliotic heart disease	E10.40	DM Type 1 w/ neuropathy	K72.10	Chronic hepatic failure	
I27.20	Pulmonary hypertension, unspecified	E11.40	DM Type 2 w/ neuropathy	K74.3	Primary biliary cirrhosis	
I27.81	Cor pulmonale (chronic)	E10.319	DM Type 1 w/ diabetic retinopathy	I85.10	Secondary esophageal varices (w/o bleeding)	
I27.82	Chronic pulmonary embolism	E11.319	DM Type 2 w/ diabetic retinopathy	E26.1	Secondary hyperaldosteronism (Common with liver failure)	
I27.83	Eisenmenger's syndrome	E10.36	DM Type 1 w/ diabetic cataract	D68.4	Acquired coagulation factor deficiency	
I27.9	Pulmonary heart disease, unspecified	E11.36	DM Type 2 w/ diabetic cataract	K74.5	Biliary cirrhosis, unspecified	
Circulatory		E10.43	DM Type 1 w/ gastroparesis	K74.60	Unspecified cirrhosis of liver	
I82.50_ (1/2/3)	Chronic embolism and thrombosis of unspecified deep veins of lower extremity(s), (R/L/B)*	E11.43	DM Type 2 w/ gastroparesis	K75.4	Autoimmune hepatitis	
* Documentation must state "chronic."		E10.51	DM Type 1 w/peripheral angiopathy	K76.6	Portal hypertension	
Congenital		E11.51	DM Type 2 w/peripheral angiopathy	K50.90	Crohn's disease, w/o complications	
Q65.89	Congenital hip dysplasia	E10.610	DM Type 1 w/arthropathy, Charcot's	K51.90	Ulcerative colitis, w/o complications	
Developmental		E11.610	DM Type 2 w/arthropathy, Charcot's	K73.9	Chronic hepatitis*	
F84.0	Autistic Disorder	E10.618	DM Type 1 w/arthropathy, other	B18.2	Chronic viral hepatitis C*	
Q86.0	Fetal alcohol syndrome	E11.618	DM Type 2 w/arthropathy, other	B18.9	Chronic viral hepatitis*	
Endocrine		E10.620	DM Type 1 w/ diabetic dermatitis	K86.0	Alcohol induced chronic pancreatitis*	
Diagnosis should always include type of diabetes (1, 2, other).		E11.620	DM Type 2 w/ diabetic dermatitis	K86.1	Other chronic pancreatitis*	
E10.9	DM Type 1 w/o complications	E10.622/621	DM Type 1 w/ skin/foot ulcer**	* Documentation must state "chronic."		
E11.9	DM Type 2 w/o complications	E11.622/621	DM Type 2 w/ skin/foot ulcer**	Genetic		
E10.65	DM Type 1 w/hyperglycemia	E10.69	DM Type 1 w/ other complications***	Most chromosomal anomalies risk adjust in ACA model.		
E11.65	DM Type 2 w/hyperglycemia	E11.69	DM Type 2 w/ other complications***	Q90.9	Down's syndrome	
E10.649	DM Type 1 w/hypoglycemia	* Use additional code to specify CKD stage. ** Use additional code to specify ulcer location/severity . *** Other complications include hyperlipidemia, erectile dysfunction, and osteomyelitis. The complication must be reported as a separate diagnosis.			Q78.0	Osteogenesis imperfecta
E11.649	DM Type 2 w/hypoglycemia				Q87.11	Prader-Willi syndrome
					Q96.9	Turner's syndrome
					Q36.9	Cleft lip, unilateral

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Q35.1	Cleft hard palate
Q35.3	Cleft soft palate
Q77.4	Achondroplasia (Dwarfism)
Q99.9	Chromosome abnormality, unspecified
Hematology	
D68.0	Von Willebrand disease
D68.1	Hereditary Factor XI deficiency
D68.51	Activated Protein C resistance
D68.61	Antiphospholipid syndrome
D68.69	Secondary hypercoagulable state
D66	Hereditary factor VIII deficiency
D67	Hereditary factor IX deficiency
D61.9	Aplastic anemia, unspecified
D46.9	Myelodysplastic syndrome, unspecified
D56.1	Beta thalassemia
D75.81	Myelofibrosis
D45	Polycythemia vera
D57.1	Sickle-cell disease without crisis
Musculoskeletal	
G71.00	Muscular dystrophy, unspecified
G71.2__	Congenital myopathies
G12.9	Spinal muscular atrophy, unspecified
Nephrology	
N18.4	CKD, stage 4 (GFR 15-29)
N18.5	CKD, stage 5 (GFR <15)
N18.6	ESRD
N25.81	Secondary hyperparathyroidism of renal origin

Neurology	
G91.9	Hydrocephalus
P91.60	Hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy
Q05.9	Spina bifida
G80.9	Cerebral palsy
R56.9	Unspecified seizures
G40.919	Epilepsy, unspecified, not intractable, without status epilepticus
G12.21	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)
G35	Multiple sclerosis
G20.A1	Parkinson's disease
R53.2	Functional quadriplegia
I69.35_	Hemiplegia/hemiparesis*
I69.33_	Monoplegia upper limb*
I69.34_	Monoplegia lower limb*
* Late effects of Stroke (CVA) Dominant R/L (1/2) Non-dominant R/L (3/4)	
Nutrition	
BMI <18.9 may indicate malnutrition. BMI > 40 may indicate morbid obesity. BMI 35-40 with comorbidities may indicate morbid obesity.	
E43	Unspecified severe protein-calorie malnutrition
E44.0	Moderate protein-calorie malnutrition
E44.1	Mild protein-calorie malnutrition
E46	Unspecified protein-calorie malnutrition

Oncology	
Most cancers should be reported as historical when treatment is complete and monitoring for recurrence only.	
C43.9	Malignant melanoma of skin, unspecified
C50.919	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified site of unspecified female breast
C61	Malignant neoplasm of prostate
C81.90	Hodgkin lymphoma, unspecified
Leukemia, chronic unspecified...	
C95.10	NOT having achieved remission
C95.11	In remission
C95.12	Relapse
Leukemia Myeloid, unspecified...	
C92.90	NOT having reached remission
C92.91	In remission
C92.92	Relapse
Multiple Myeloma...	
C90.00	NOT having reached remission
C90.01	In remission
C90.02	Relapse
Prematurity/Low Birth Weight	
For child/adult whose prematurity/low birth weight as a newborn is affecting current health status	
P05.17	Newborn, SGA, 1750-1999 gms
P05.18	Newborn, SGA, 2000-2499 gms
P07.38	Preterm NB, gest. age 35 comp. weeks
P07.39	Preterm NB, gest. age 36 comp. weeks
P08.21	Post-term Newborn

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Pulmonary	
P27.1	Bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD)
J45.909	Asthma*
J96.10	Chronic Respiratory Failure (Use in place of "hypoxia" for chronic oxygen use.)
J45.909	Reactive airway disease
J44.89	Chronic obstructive asthma
J44.9	COPD FEV1/FVC <0.7 & FEV1 <80%
J43.9	Emphysema
J41.0	Simple chronic bronchitis (Smoker's cough)
J41.1	Chronic mucopurulent bronchitis
J42	Unspecified chronic bronchitis
J84.9	Interstitial pulmonary disease, unspecified
J84.10	Pulmonary fibrosis, unspecified
J47.9	Bronchiectasis
* Asthma documentation should state severity (mild, moderate, or severe) & status (intermittent or persistent).	

Rheumatology / Immunology	
D84.821	Immunodeficiency due to drugs
D89.82	Autoimmune lymphoproliferative syndrome [ALPS]
M06.9	Rheumatoid arthritis, unspecified
M06.4	Inflammatory polyarthropathy
M32.9	Systemic Lupus erythematosus, unspecified
M34.9	Systemic sclerosis, unspecified
M35.00	Sicca/Sjogren syndrome, unspecified
B20	HIV, symptomatic/AIDS
Z21	Asymptomatic HIV

Transplant Status	
Z94.0	Kidney
Z94.1	Heart
Z94.2	Lung
Z94.3	Heart and lung
Z94.4	Liver
Z94.81	Bone marrow
Z94.82	Intestine
Z94.83	Pancreas
Z94.84	Stem Cell



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