Coding of Neoplasms in ICD-10-CM

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- Neoplasm of the Breast
- Colorectal Neoplasms
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Carcinoma In Situ

- Carcinoma In Situ (CIS)
  - Cancerous tumors
  - Noninvasive
  - Confined
  - Latin for “in its place”
  - Bowen’s disease

**Example**

Patient was seen in follow up for carcinoma in situ of the skin of the breast.

D04.5 Carcinoma in situ of skin of trunk

Synonyms for In Situ Carcinoma

- Adenocarcinoma in an adenomatous polyp with no invasion of the stalk
- Confined to the epithelium
- Noninfiltrating
- Intraepithelial
- Intraepidermal (anus)
- Involvement up to but not including the basement membranes
- Noninvasive
- No stromal involvement
- Papillary noninfiltrating

**Example**

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D05.11 Intraductal carcinoma in situ of right breast

Z80.3 Family history of malignant neoplasm of breast
Benign Neoplasms

- Noncancerous
- Do not metastasize
- Have defined edges
- Do not grow back

Types of Breast Cancers

- Ductal carcinoma
- Lobular carcinoma
- Inflammatory breast cancer
- Medullary carcinoma
- Mucinous carcinoma
- Page disease of the nipple
- Phyllodes tumor
- Tubular carcinoma
A 57-year-old patient presents for evaluation of right nipple discomfort. The patient has family history of a mother and sister with premenopausal breast cancer. Digital mammography shows area of calcifications. Magnification views demonstrate intraductal pleomorphic microcalcifications in the right 11 o'clock area. Final diagnosis indicated intraductal carcinoma in situ.

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Colorectal Neoplasms

In ICD-10-CM the codes for neoplasms are site specific

- C18.0 Malignant neoplasm of cecum
- C18.1 Malignant neoplasm of appendix
- C18.3 Malignant neoplasm of ascending colon
- C18.4 Malignant neoplasm of hepatic flexure
- C18.5 Malignant neoplasm of transverse colon
- C18.6 Malignant neoplasm of splenic flexure
- C18.8 Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of colon
- C18.9 Malignant neoplasm of colon, unspecified

Colorectal Neoplasms

- A benign neoplasm of the colon (adenomatous colon polyp) is coded to the subcategory of D12 according to the sites listed above as defined by the 4th character.

Example

During a screening colonoscopy, Dr. Smith removes a polyp from the descending colon. Pathology reports confirm it is benign.

D12.4 Benign neoplasm of descending colon

Upper GI Neoplasms

- Esophagus
- Fundus
- Cardia
- Myenteric Canal
- Duodenum
- Jejunum
- Ileum
- Rectum
Neoplasms of Pancreas

- C25.0 Malignant neoplasm of head of pancreas
- C25.1 Malignant neoplasm of body of pancreas
- C25.2 Malignant neoplasm of tail of pancreas
- C25.3 Malignant neoplasm of pancreatic duct
- C25.4 Malignant neoplasm of endocrine pancreas
  - Malignant neoplasm of islets of Langerhans
  - Use additional code to identify functional activity
- C25.7 Malignant neoplasm of other parts of pancreas
  - Malignant neoplasm of neck of pancreas
- C25.8 Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of pancreas
- C25.9 Malignant neoplasm of pancreas, unspecified

Example

A patient was diagnosed with operable adenocarcinoma of the pancreas tail.

C25.2 Malignant neoplasm of tail of pancreas
# Coding of Neoplasms in ICD-10-CM

## Melanoma (malignant)

### Skin
- **knee** C43.7
- **labium** C51.9
- **majus** C51.0
- **minus** C51.1
- **leg** C43.7
- **lip (lower) (upper)** C43.0

### Other specified malignant neoplasm of skin of left lower limb, including hip

- C43.72 Malignant melanoma of left lower limb, including hip

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## Additional Neoplasms

- C44.70- Unspecified malignant neoplasm of skin of lower limb, including hip
  - C44.79- Other specified malignant neoplasm of skin of lower limb, including hip
- C44.793 Other specified malignant neoplasm of skin of left lower limb, including hip
- Correct code C43.72 Malignant melanoma of left lower limb, including hip
Melanoma

- In males, more common on the back
- In females, more common on the legs
- Terminology
  - Breslow thickness
  - Clark level
    - Level 1: In situ melanoma
    - Level 2: Melanoma has invaded the papillary dermis
    - Level 3: Melanoma has filled the papillary dermis
    - Level 4: Melanoma has invaded the reticular dermis
    - Level 5: Melanoma has invaded subcutaneous tissue

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C43.1 - Malignant melanoma of eyelid, including canthus
C43.3 - Malignant melanoma of other unspecified parts of face
C43.5 - Malignant melanoma of trunk
C43.6 - Malignant melanoma of upper limb, including shoulder
C43.7 - Malignant melanoma of lower limb, including hip

Example

- Jack returns to the dermatologist's office after a biopsy of a mole on his back. He is diagnosed with malignant melanoma of the back.
- C43.59 - Malignant melanoma of other part of trunk
Example

- A patient presents for treatment options to the dermatologist after having a biopsy-proven melanoma in situ on her right shoulder.
- D03.61 Melanoma in situ of right upper limb, including shoulder

Basal Cell Carcinoma (BCC)

- Most common type of skin cancer
- About 80% of skin cancer cases are BCC
- Begins in the basal cells located in the epidermis
- Tend to grow slowly
- Rarely metastasize

Basal Cell Carcinoma (BCC)

- Category C44 contains the codes for BCC
  - Broken down in the same manner as melanoma and Merkel cell carcinoma
  - 5th character 1 in the code category indicates the type of carcinoma to be basal cell
  - C44.112 Basal cell carcinoma of skin of right eyelid, including canthus
  - C44.219 Basal cell carcinoma of skin of left ear and external auricular canal
Example

- 70-year-old May presents with a history of basal cell carcinoma of the right thigh two years ago. She complains of 2 months of crusting on the right nasal tip. Patient with a long history of sun exposure with multiple bad sunburns. Biopsy reveals new basal cell carcinoma of the nasal tip. The patient will undergo Mohs surgery.
- C44.311 Basal cell carcinoma of skin of nose
- Z85.828 Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of skin

Example

- A patient presents for treatment options for his basal cell carcinoma on his left ear. He has done some research and is asking about excision, Mohs, radiation, cryosurgery, photodynamic therapy, and 5-fluorouracil. After discussion, he decides on surgical excision.
- C44.219 Basal cell carcinoma of skin of left ear and external auricular canal

Squamous Cell Carcinoma (SCC)

- Second most common type
- About 700,000 cases in the U.S. each year
- Tend to grow and metastasize more than BCCs
- More likely to invade fatty tissue beneath the skin
- More likely to metastasize to lymph nodes
Squamous Cell Carcinoma (SCC)

- Category C44 contains the codes for BCC
  - Broken down in the same manner as melanoma and Merkel cell carcinoma
  - 5th character 2 in the code category indicates the type of carcinoma to be squamous cell
    - C44.12 Squamous cell carcinoma of skin of right eyelid, including canthus
    - C44.229 Squamous cell carcinoma of skin of left ear and external auricular canal

Example

- A patient returns to the dermatologist to discuss removal of his SCC on his lower lip.
  - C44.02 Squamous cell carcinoma of skin of lip

Example

- A patient has a suspicious lesion removed from the back of his right hand. The patient is informed that the biopsy results confirm squamous cell carcinoma.
  - C44.622 Squamous cell carcinoma of skin of right upper limb, including shoulder
Merkel Cell Carcinoma (MCC)

- Rare form
- Develops in the neuroendocrine cells—Hormone-making cells in the skin
- Thought to be caused from sun exposure and Merkel cell polyomavirus (MCV)
- About 1,500 cases in the U.S. each year
- Often metastasize the lymph nodes and internal organs

Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer

- Category C44 contains the codes for basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, other, and unspecified malignant neoplasms of the skin
- Category C4A contains the codes for Merkel cell carcinoma
- Break down by type, site, and laterality (in some cases)

Example

- 75-year-old male patient presents with a rapidly enlarging mass near his upper lip. He is fair skinned and lives on a farm, using no sun protection other than a baseball cap. The mass has been rapidly increasing in size for the past 2 months. After diagnostic testing he is diagnosed with Merkel cell carcinoma of the peri-oral area.
- C4A.39 Merkel cell carcinoma of other parts of face