

Diagnosis Codes That Cannot Be Used As Primary Diagnosis Codes on the Hospice Claim

Information for Hospice Providers
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Debility, adult failure to thrive, and any other diagnosis in the Symptoms, Signs, and Ill-defined Conditions category may not be used as a primary diagnosis for hospice.

	ICD-10 diagnosis code(s)
Debility	R53.81
Adult failure to thrive	R62.7
Symptoms, Signs, and Ill-defined Conditions category	R00-R99

- Diagnoses in this category are considered nonspecific, symptom diagnoses according to ICD-9-CM/ICD-10-CM Coding Guidelines.¹
- **Manifestation codes** - A manifestation code can never be sequenced as the first-listed or principal diagnosis per the ICD-9-CM Coding Guidelines.²
- **Dementia codes** that may not be used as primary codes:

	ICD-10 diagnosis code(s)
Dementia in diseases classified elsewhere without behavioral disturbance	F02.80
Dementia in diseases classified elsewhere with behavioral disturbance	F02.81

¹ Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. FY 2014 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update; Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements; and Updates on Payment Reform; Final Rule. Retrieved from <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-08-07/pdf/2013-18838.pdf>

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- Dementia codes classified as unspecified, or which have a “code first” sequencing convention per ICD-9-CM Coding Guidelines.
- Dementia codes under the classification, “*Mental, Behavioral, and Neurodevelopmental Disorders*,” are **not appropriate** as principal diagnoses because of etiology /manifestation guidelines or sequencing conventions under the ICD-9-CM/ICD-10-CM Coding Guidelines.
 - According to ICD-9-CM/ICD-10-CM Coding Guidelines, the underlying condition must be coded as the principal diagnosis and the aforementioned dementia conditions would be appropriate as secondary diagnoses.
 - Most of these diagnoses are typically manifestations from an underlying physiological condition.
- Unspecified codes
 - Codes under this classification are only to be used when the medical record, at the time of the encounter, is insufficient to assign a more specific code. However, it is recognized that the underlying neurologic condition causing dementia may be difficult to code because the medical record may not provide sufficient information. There are codes listed under “Diseases of the Nervous System” that do provide for appropriate principal code selection under those circumstances and hospice providers are encouraged to look at the coding conventions under that classification for coding dementia conditions on hospice claims.
- Dementia codes, classified as unspecified or which have a “code first” sequencing convention, as principal hospice diagnoses on the hospice claim per ICD-9-CM Coding Guidelines.

Effective October 1, 2014, CMS implemented a Medicare Code Editor (MCE) in the claims processing system which will identify and return the claim to hospice provider for recoding when specific diagnoses or diagnoses groups appear as the primary diagnosis on the claim form. The following ICD-9-CM codes may not be used as primary on the hospice claim form. However, they may be used as secondary diagnoses.

[CR8877 - Hospice Manual Update for Diagnosis Reporting and Filing Hospice Notice of Election \(NOE\) and Termination or Revocation of Election](#)

This Change Request provides a manual update and provider education for new editing for principal diagnoses that are not appropriate for reporting on hospice claims. Attachment A below is an ICD-9 to ICD-10 conversion list of all of the diagnosis codes listed in CR 8877, Hospice Manual Update for Diagnosis Reporting and Filing Hospice Notice of Election (NOE) and Termination or Revocation of Election.

NONE of these diagnoses may be used as primary hospice diagnoses on the hospice claim form.

CR 8877 Attachment A - Hospice Invalid Principal Diagnosis Codes with ICD-10 conversion

ICD-9	
290.0	Senile dementia, uncomplicated
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
290.10	Presenile dementia, uncomplicated
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
290.11	Presenile dementia with delirium
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
290.12	Presenile dementia with delusional features
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
290.13	Presenile dementia with depressive features
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
290.20	Senile dementia with delusional features
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition

Additional ICD-10 Descriptions

F03.91 Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

209.21 Senile dementia with depressive features

ICD-10

F03.90 Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance

Additional ICD-10 Descriptions

F03.91 Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

290.3 Senile dementia with delirium

ICD-10

F03.90 Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance

F05 Delirium due to known physiological condition

Additional ICD-10 Descriptions

F03.91 Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

290.40 Vascular dementia, uncomplicated

ICD-10

F01.50 Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

290.42 Vascular dementia, with delusions

ICD-10

F01.51 Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance

Additional ICD-10 Descriptions

F01.50 Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

290.43 Vascular dementia, with depressed mood

ICD-10

F01.51 Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance

Additional ICD-10 Descriptions

F01.50 Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9

290.8 Other specified senile psychotic conditions

ICD-10

F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F01.50	Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance
F01.51	Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions (continued)	
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance
ICD-9	
290.9	Unspecified senile psychotic condition
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F01.50	Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance
F01.51	Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
293.0	Delirium due to conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
293.1	Subacute delirium
ICD-10	
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
293.81	Psychotic disorder with delusions in conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	
F06.2	Psychotic disorder with delusions due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
293.82	Psychotic disorder with hallucinations in conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	
F06.0	Psychotic disorder with hallucinations due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
293.83	Mood disorder in conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	

F06.30	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition, unspecified
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F06.31	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with depressive features
F06.32	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with major depressive-like episode
F06.33	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with manic features
F06.34	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with mixed features

ICD-9	
293.89	Other specified transient mental disorders due to conditions classified elsewhere, other
ICD-10	
F06.1	Catatonic disorder due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F04	Amnesic disorder due to known physiological condition
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition
F06.0	Psychotic disorder with hallucinations due to known physiological condition
F06.2	Psychotic disorder with delusions due to known physiological condition
F06.30	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition, unspecified
F06.31	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with depressive features
F06.32	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with major depressive-like episode
F06.33	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with manic features
F06.34	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with mixed features
F06.8	Other specified mental disorders due to known physiological condition
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
294.20	Dementia, unspecified, without behavioral disturbance
ICD-10	
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F01.50	Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance
F01.51	Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
294.21	Dementia, unspecified, with behavioral disturbance
ICD-10	
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	

F01.50	Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance
F01.51	Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance

ICD-9	
294.8	Other persistent mental disorders due to conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	
F06.0	Psychotic disorder with hallucinations due to known physiological condition
F06.8	Other specified mental disorders due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition
F06.1	Catatonic disorder due to known physiological condition
F06.2	Psychotic disorder with delusions due to known physiological condition
F06.30	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition, unspecified
F06.31	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with depressive features
F06.32	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with major depressive-like episode
F06.33	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with manic features
F06.34	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with mixed features
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
310.0	Frontal lobe syndrome
ICD-10	
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
310.1	Personality change due to conditions classified elsewhere
ICD-10	
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition

ICD-9	
310.2	Postconcussion syndrome
ICD-10	
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome

ICD-9	
310.89	Other specified nonpsychotic mental disorders following organic brain damage
ICD-10	
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome

ICD-9	
310.9	Unspecified nonpsychotic mental disorder following organic brain damage
ICD-10	
F09	Unspecified mental disorder due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions	
F01.50	Vascular dementia without behavioral disturbance
F01.51	Vascular dementia with behavioral disturbance
F03.90	Unspecified dementia without behavioral disturbance
F03.91	Unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbance
F05	Delirium due to known physiological condition
Additional ICD-10 Descriptions (continued)	
F06.0	Psychotic disorder with hallucinations due to known physiological condition
F06.1	Catatonic disorder due to known physiological condition
F06.2	Psychotic disorder with delusions due to known physiological condition
F06.30	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition, unspecified
F06.31	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with depressive features
F06.32	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with major depressive-like episode
F06.33	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with manic features
F06.34	Mood disorder due to known physiological condition with mixed features
F06.8	Other specified mental disorders due to known physiological condition
F07.0	Personality change due to known physiological condition
F07.81	Postconcussional syndrome
F07.89	Other personality and behavioral disorders due to known physiological condition