

ICD-10 by Provider Type

Pharmacy Providers

ICD (when used)
National Drug Codes (NDCs) are used instead of procedure codes
No
No, in most cases
Exceptions: A diagnosis code is rarely required on a pharmacy claim. A diagnosis code is required when the recipient is enrolled in the "Be Smart" Family Planning Program and the claim is for a drug that is used to treat an STI. A diagnosis code can also be used to identify a pregnant recipient, but it's not required and not the only way to identify a pregnant recipient. If a diagnosis code is required on a pharmacy claim, the diagnosis code used (ICD-9 vs ICD-10) is based on the prescription fill date. Note: Pharmacy claims do not use a decimal point on diagnosis codes.
https://questions.cms.gov/faq.php?id=5005&faqId=7579
ICD-9: V220 Supervision of normal first pregnancy ICD-10: Z3400 Encounter for supervision of normal first pregnancy, unspecified trimester
Q: Do I need to use ICD-10 diagnosis codes on my pharmacy prior approval (PA) requests? A: No, pharmacy prior approval requests do not require a diagnosis code.

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Q: Do I need to change the pharmacy claim transaction being submitted by my POS?

A: No. The current HIPAA-approved transaction standard (NCPDP D.0) already allows for ICD-10 qualifiers and codes.

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