

# Coding Changes for 2024

It's important to be aware of these codes.

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**A** new CPT<sup>®</sup> code set<sup>1</sup> took effect on January 1, 2024 and a new ICD-10 Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) code set<sup>2</sup> took effect October 1, 2023. These new code sets include additions, deletions, and modifications that may be pertinent to lower extremity services. Some of the more pertinent changes are shared here.

## CPT<sup>®</sup> Changes

When the “bunionectomy” CPT codes were revised during the October, 2015 CPT Editorial Panel meeting, the CPT definition of “bunionectomy” was revisited and the conclusion confirmed that a “bunionectomy” CPT code includes removal of the medial eminence of the first metatarsal head. If a procedure is performed that does not include removal of the medial eminence of the first metatarsal head, a “bunionectomy” CPT code should not be used. This guidance is further confirmed in the 2024 CPT code set with this direction that appears on both pages 195 and 199 of the 2024 CPT<sup>®</sup> Professional book.<sup>1</sup>

“For first metatarsal-cuneiform joint fusion without concomitant removal of the distal medial promi-

nence of the first metatarsal for hallux valgus correction, use 28740”

To further illustrate the fact that removal of the medial eminence of the first metatarsal head is required when using “bunionectomy” codes, the code descriptors for CPT 28292, 28295, 28296, 28297, 28298, and 28299 were all modified to change:

“(bunionectomy)” to “with bunionectomy.”

Two options were added to satisfy “low” number and complexity of problems as it relates to selecting certain evaluation and management levels; they are:

- 1 stable, acute illness
- 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury requiring hospital inpatient or observation level of care

In the list of examples of “high” risk of complications and/or morbidity or mortality of patient management as it relates to selecting certain evaluation and management levels, “parenteral controlled substances” was changed to “decision regarding parenteral controlled substances.”

When choosing an initial nursing facility evaluation and management level based on total time, the time threshold for CPT 99306 was changed from 45 minutes to 50 minutes.

When choosing a subsequent nursing facility evaluation and management level based on total time, the time threshold for CPT 99308 was changed from 15 minutes to 20 minutes.

There are changes to the CPT codes that represent noncontact near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) in the 2024 CPT code set. The code descriptor for CPT 0640T changed from “Noncontact near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) studies of flap or wound (e.g., for measurement of deoxyhemoglobin, oxyhemoglobin, and ratio of tissue oxygenation [StO<sub>2</sub>]); image acquisition, interpretation and report, each flap or wound” to “Noncontact near-infrared spectroscopy (e.g., for measurement of deoxyhemoglobin, oxyhemoglobin, and ratio of tissue oxygenation), other than for screening for peripheral arterial disease, image acquisition, interpretation, and report; first anatomic site.” Furthermore, a new CPT code was added to represent NIRS performed to screen for peripheral arterial disease:

CPT 0860T—Noncontact near-infrared spectroscopy (e.g., for measurement of deoxyhemoglobin, oxyhemoglobin, and ratio of tissue oxygenation), for screening for peripheral arterial disease,

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including provocative maneuvers, image acquisition, interpretation, and report, one or both lower extremities.

### Diagnosis Code Changes

Prior to October 1, 2023, D48.1 (Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of connective and other soft tissue) was a complete ICD-10 code. This code was commonly used by some podiatrists when performing skin and soft tissue biopsies. Starting October 1, 2023, D48.1 is no longer a complete ICD-10 code and requires additional characters. The new code options are:

- D48.110 Desmoid tumor of head and neck
- D48.111 Desmoid tumor of chest wall
- D48.112 Desmoid tumor, intrathoracic
- D48.113 Desmoid tumor of abdominal wall
- D48.114 Desmoid tumor, intraabdominal
- D48.115 Desmoid tumor of upper extremity and shoulder girdle
- D48.116 Desmoid tumor of lower extremity and pelvic girdle
- D48.117 Desmoid tumor of back
- D48.118 Desmoid tumor of other site
- D48.119 Desmoid tumor of unspecified site
- D48.19 Other specified neoplasm of uncertain behavior of connective and other soft tissue

Throughout all of the D57- Sickle-cell codes “vasoocclusive” changed to “vaso-occlusive.”

Prior to 10-1-23, E20.8 (Other hypoparathyroidism) was a complete ICD-10 code. Starting October 1, 2023, E20.8 is no longer a complete ICD-10 code and requires additional characters. The new code options are:

- E20.810 Autosomal dominant hypocalcemia
- E20.811 Secondary hypoparathyroidism diseases classified elsewhere
- E20.812 Autoimmune hypoparathyroidism
- E20.818 Other specified hypoparathyroidism due to impaired parathyroid hormone secretion
- E20.819 Hypoparathyroidism due to impaired parathyroid hormone secretion, unspecified
- E20.89 Other specified hypoparathyroidism

I87.2 Venous insufficiency (chronic) (peripheral) carries a new instruction to “Use Additional code, if applicable, to specify site and severity of ulcer (L97.-)”

Prior to October 1, 2023, G20 (Parkinson’s disease) was a complete ICD-10 code. Starting October 1, 2023, G20 is no longer a complete ICD-10 code and requires additional characters. This code serves as a qualifying diagnosis for routine foot care in some payer policies. The new Parkinson’s disease code options are:

- G20.A- Parkinson’s disease without dyskinesia
- G20.A1 Parkinson’s disease without dyskinesia, without mention of fluctuations
- G20.A2 Parkinson’s disease without dyskinesia, with fluctuations

- G20.B- Parkinson’s disease with dyskinesia
- G20.B1 Parkinson’s disease with dyskinesia, without mention of fluctuations
- G20.B2 Parkinson’s disease with dyskinesia, with fluctuations
- G20.C Parkinsonism, unspecified

The following are new ICD-10-CM codes:

- Z16.13- Resistance to carbapenem
- Z22.34- Carrier of Acinetobacter baumannii
- Z22.340 Carrier of carbapenem-resistant Acinetobacter baumannii
- Z22.341 Carrier of carbapenem-sensitive Acinetobacter baumannii
- Z22.349 Carrier of Acinetobacter baumannii, unspecified
- Z22.35- Carrier of Enterobacterales
- Z22.350 Carrier of carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales
- Z22.358 Carrier of other Enterobacterales
- Z22.359 Carrier of Enterobacterales, unspecified
- Z16.13 Resistance to carbapenem
- Z62.23 Child in custody of non-parental relative
- Z62.24 Child in custody of non-relative guardian

Prior to October 1, 2023, Z91.A4 (Caregiver’s other noncompliance with patient’s medication regimen) was a complete ICD-10 code. Starting October 1, 2023, Z91.A4 is no longer a complete ICD-10 code and requires additional characters. The new code options are:

- Z91.A41 Caregiver’s other noncompliance with patient’s medication regimen due to financial hardship
- Z91.A48 Caregiver’s other noncompliance with patient’s medication regimen for other reason

Prior to October 1, 2023, Z91.A9 (Caregiver’s noncompliance with patient’s other medical treatment and regimen) was a complete ICD-10 code. Starting October 1, 2023, Z91.A9 is no longer a complete ICD-10 code and requires additional characters. The new code options are:

- Z91.A91 Caregiver’s noncompliance with patient’s other medical treatment and regimen due to financial hardship
- Z91.A98 Caregiver’s noncompliance with patient’s other medical treatment and regimen for other reason **PM**

### References

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<sup>2</sup> 2024 ICD-10-CM <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coding-billing/icd-10-codes/2024-icd-10-cm>



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