

Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy

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GUIDELINES

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SCOPE

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DESCRIPTION

Upper gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy, or esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) is usually performed to evaluate symptoms of persistent upper abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, and difficulty swallowing or bleeding from the upper GI tract. EGD is more accurate than x-ray films for detecting inflammation, ulcers, or tumors of the esophagus, stomach and duodenum and can detect early cancer, as well as distinguish between benign and malignant conditions when biopsies of suspicious areas are obtained.

Esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) uses a flexible fiber-optic scope with a light and camera to examine the upper part of the GI system. The scope is inserted through the mouth into the upper GI tract allowing for direct visualization of the esophagus, stomach, and duodenum through the camera. This document does not address upper gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy in children, wireless capsule endoscopy, virtual endoscopy or in vivo analysis of gastrointestinal lesions via endoscopy.

POLICY

Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy does not require prior authorization. Appropriate ICD-10 diagnosis code (as listed below) required for coverage.

COVERAGE CRITERIA

HMO, PPO, Individual Marketplace, Elite/ProMedica Medicare Plan, Advantage

These procedures for adults aged 18 years or older can only be allowed if abnormal signs or symptoms or known disease are present.

- 1. Indications which support EGD(s) for diagnostic purpose(s) are as follows:
 - Upper abdominal distress which persists despite an appropriate trial of therapy;
 - Upper abdominal distress associated with symptoms and/or signs suggesting serious organic disease (e.g., prolonged anorexia and weight loss);
 - Dysphagia or odynophagia;
 - Esophageal reflux symptoms which are persistent or recurrent despite appropriate therapy;
 - · Persistent vomiting of unknown cause;
 - Other systemic diseases in which the presence of upper GI pathology might modify other planned management. Examples include patients with a history of GI bleeding who are scheduled for organ transplantation; long term anticoagulation; and chronic non-steroidal therapy for arthritis;
 - X-ray findings of:
 - o A suspected neoplastic lesion, for confirmation and specific histologic diagnosis;
 - o Gastric or esophageal ulcer; or



- Evidence of upper gastrointestinal tract stricture or obstruction.
- The presence of gastrointestinal bleeding:
 - o In most actively bleeding patients or those recently stopped;
 - When surgical therapy is contemplated;
 - When re-bleeding occurs after acute self-limited blood loss or after endoscopic therapy;
 - When portal hypertension or aorto-enteric fistula is suspected; or
 - o For presumed chronic blood loss and for iron deficiency anemia when colonoscopy is negative.
- When sampling of duodenal or jejunal tissue or fluid is indicated;
- To assess acute injury after caustic agent ingestion; or
- Intraoperative EGD when necessary to clarify location or pathology of a lesion.
- 2. Indications which support EGD(s) for therapeutic purpose(s) are as follows:
 - Treatment of bleeding from lesions such as ulcers, tumors, vascular malformations (e.g., electrocoagulation, heater probe, laser photocoagulation or injection therapy);
 - Sclerotherapy for bleeding from esophageal or proximal gastric varices or banding of varices;
 - Foreign body removal;
 - Removal of selected polypoid lesions;
 - Placement of feeding tubes (oral, percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy, percutaneous endoscopic jejunostomy);
 - Dilation of stenotic lesions (e.g., with transendoscopic balloon dilators or dilating systems employing guidewires); or
 - Palliative therapy of stenosing neoplasms (e.g., laser, bipolar electrocoagulation, stent placement).
- 3. Sequential or periodic diagnostic upper GI endoscopy may be indicated for an appropriate number of procedures for active or symptomatic conditions.
 - For follow-up of selected esophageal, gastric or stomal ulcers to demonstrate healing (frequency of follow-up EGDs is variable, but every two to four months until healing is demonstrated is reasonable);
 - For follow-up in patients with prior adenomatous gastric polyps (approximate frequency of follow-up EGDs would be every one to four years depending on the clinical circumstances, with occasional patients with sessile polyps requiring every six-month surveillance initially);
 - For follow-up for adequacy of prior sclerotherapy or banding of esophageal varices (approximate frequency of follow-up EGDs is very variable depending on the state of the patient but every six to twenty-four months is reasonable after the initial sclerotherapy/banding sessions are completed);
 - For follow-up of Barrett's esophagus (approximate frequency of follow-up EGDs is one to two years with biopsies, unless dysplasia or atypia is demonstrated, in which case a repeat biopsy in two to three months might be indicated); or
 - For follow-up in patients with familial adenomatous polyposis (approximate frequency of follow-up EGDs would be every two to four years, but might be more frequent, such as every six to twelve months if gastric adenomas or adenomas of the duodenum were demonstrated).
- 4. The endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) procedure is generally indicated for certain biliary and pancreatic conditions.
 - ERCP is generally not indicated for the diagnosis of pancreatitis except for gallstone pancreatitis:
 - ERCP is not usually indicated in early stages or in acute pancreatitis and could possibly exacerbate it;
 - ERCP may be useful in traumatic pancreatitis to accurately localize the injury and provide endoscopic drainage;
 - ERCP may be useful in pancreatic duct stricture evaluation;
 - ERCP may be useful for the extraction of bile duct stones in severe gallstone induced pancreatitis;
 - ERCP may be useful in detecting pancreatic ductal changes in chronic pancreatitis and also the presence of calcified stones in the ductal system. A pancreatogram may be performed and is likely to be abnormal in chronic alcoholic pancreatitis but less so in non-alcoholic induced types;
 - ERCP may be useful in detecting gallstones in symptomatic patients whose oral cholecytogram and gallbladder ultrasonograms are normal; and
 - ERCP may be indicated in patients with radiologic imaging suggestive of common bile duct stones or other potential pathology.



Limitations

- 1. Indications for which EGD(s) are generally non-covered are as follows:
 - Distress which is chronic, non-progressive, atypical for known organic disease, and is considered functional in origin (there are occasional exceptions in which an endoscopic examination may be done once to rule out organic disease, especially if symptoms are unresponsive to therapy);
 - Uncomplicated heartburn responding to medical therapy;
 - Metastatic adenocarcinoma of unknown primary site when the results will not alter management;
 - X-ray findings of:
 - o asymptomatic or uncomplicated sliding hiatus hernia;
 - o uncomplicated duodenal bulb ulcer which has responded to therapy; or
 - o Deformed duodenal bulb when symptoms are absent or respond adequately to ulcer therapy;
 - Routine screening of the upper gastrointestinal tract;
 - Patients without current gastrointestinal symptoms about to undergo elective surgery for non-upper gastrointestinal disease; or
 - When lower GI endoscopy reveals the cause of symptoms, abnormal signs or laboratory tests (e.g., colonic neoplasm with iron deficiency anemia). Exceptions can be considered if medical necessity for this procedure can be demonstrated.
- 2. Sequential or periodic diagnostic EGD is not indicated for:
 - Surveillance for malignancy in patients with gastric atrophy, pernicious anemia, treated achalasia, or prior gastric operation;
 - Surveillance of healed benign disease such as esophagitis, gastric or duodenal ulcer; or
 - Surveillance during chronic repeated dilations of benign strictures unless there is a change in status.

CODING/BILLING INFORMATION

The appearance of a code in this section does not necessarily indicate coverage. Codes that are covered may have selection criteria that must be met. Payment for supplies may be included in payment for other services rendered.

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CPT CO	CPT CODES	
43191	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; diagnostic including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing	
	when performed (separate procedure).	
43192	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; with directed submucosal injections(s), any substance.	
43193	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple	
43194	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; with removal of foreign body	
43195	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; with balloon dilation (less that 30mm diameter)	
43196	Esophagoscopy, rigid, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by dilation over guidewire	
43197	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transnasal; diagnostic, includes collection of specimen(s) by brushing or	
	washing when performed (separate procedure)	
43198	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transnasal; with biopsy, single or multiple	
43200	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or	
	washing, when performed (separate procedure)	
43201	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance	
43202	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple	
43204	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with injection sclerosis of esophageal varices	
43205	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with band ligation of esophageal varices	
43206	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with optical endomicroscopy	
43211	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection	
43212	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with placement of endoscopic stent (includes pre-and postdilation	
	and guide wire passage, when performed)	
43213	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus, by balloon or dilator, retrograde	
	(includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)	
43214	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus with balloon (30 mm diameter or larger)	
	(includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)	



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43213	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)
43216	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
43217	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
43220	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic balloon dilation (less than 30 mm diameter)
43226	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) over guide wire
43227	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method
43229	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes preand post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
43231	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic ultrasound examination
43232	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s)
43233	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus with balloon (30 mm diameter or larger) (includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)
43235	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed
43236	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
43237	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the esophagus, stomach or duodenum, and adjacent structures
43238	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine-needle aspiration/biopsy(s), (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the esophagus, stomach or duodenum, and adjacent structures)
43239	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; biopsy; single or multiple
43240	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, with transmural drainage of pseudocyst (includes placement of transmural drainage catheter[s]/stent[s], when performed, and endoscopic ultrasound, when performed)
43241	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; insertion of intraluminal tube or catheter
43242	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine-needle aspiration/biopsy(s) (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination of the esophagus, stomach, and either the duodenum or a surgically altered stomach where the jejunum is examined distal to the anastomosis)
43243	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; injection sclerosis of esophageal/gastric varices
43244	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; band ligation of esophageal/gastric varices
43245	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of gastric/duodenal stricture(s) (eg, balloon, bougie)
43246	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed placement of percutaneous gastrostomy tube
43247	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)
43248	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) through esophagus over guide
43249	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; transendoscopic balloon dilation of esophagus (<30mm)
43250	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
43251	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
43252	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with optical endomicroscopy
43253	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided transmural injection of diagnostic or therapeutic substance(s) (eg, anesthetic, neurolytic agent) or fiducial marker(s) (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination of the esophagus, stomach, and either the duodenum or a surgically altered stomach where the jejunum is examined distal to the anastomosis)



43254	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with EMR (endoscopic mucosal resection)
43255	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method
43257	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with delivery of thermal energy to the muscle of
	lower esophageal sphincter and/or gastric cardia, for treatment of gastroesophageal reflux disease
43259	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic ultrasound examination, including
	the esophagus, stomach, and either the duodenum or a surgically altered stomach where the jejunum
	is examined distal to the anastomosis
43260	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); diagnostic, including collection of
	specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
43261	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with biopsy, single or multiple
43262	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with sphincterotomy/papillotomy
43263	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with pressure measurement of sphincter of Oddi
43264	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal of calculi/debris from biliary/pancreatic duct(s)
43265	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with destruction of calculi, any method (eg, mechanical, electrohydraulic, lithotripsy)
43266	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with placement of endoscopic stent (includes pre-
	and postdilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
43270	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s)
	(includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
43274	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with placement of endoscopic stent into
	biliary or pancreatic duct, including pre- and postdilation and guide wire passage, when performed,
400=5	including sphincterotomy, when performed, each stent
43275	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal of foreign body(s) or stent(s) from biliary/pancreatic duct(s)
43276	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal and exchange of stent(s),
	biliary or pancreatic duct, including pre- and postdilation and guide wire passage, when performed,
43277	including sphincterotomy, when performed, each stent exchanged
43211	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with trans-endoscopic balloon dilation of biliary/pancreatic duct(s) or of ampulla (sphincteroplasty), including sphincterotomy, when performed,
	each duct
43278	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other
	lesion(s), including pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed
ICD-10-0	CM CODES
	codes Z46.51 and Z46.59 are allowed only for CPT codes 43275 and 43276 for the removal of a
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	Piagnosis code E43 is allowed for CPT 43246 only.
	n addition to this list of ICD-10 codes, R93.2 is a covered diagnosis for CPT codes 43260, 43261, 3263, 43264, 43265, 43274, 43277, and 43278.
B37.81	Candidal esophagitis
C15.3	Malignant neoplasm of upper third of esophagus
C15.4	Malignant neoplasm of hiddle third of esophagus
C15.5	Malignant neoplasm of Initiative of esophagus Malignant neoplasm of lower third of esophagus
C15.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of esophagus
C15.9	Malignant neoplasm of esophagus, unspecified
C16.0	Malignant neoplasm of cardia
C16.1	Malignant neoplasm of fundus of stomach
C16.2	Malignant neoplasm of body of stomach
C16.3	Malignant neoplasm of pyloric antrum
C16.4	Malignant neoplasm of pylorus
C16.5	Malignant neoplasm of lesser curvature of stomach, unspecified
C16.6	Malignant neoplasm of greater curvature of stomach unenecified

Malignant neoplasm of greater curvature of stomach, unspecified



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C16.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of stomach
C16.9	Malignant neoplasm of stomach, unspecified
C17.0	Malignant neoplasm of duodenum
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
C25.7	Malignant neoplasm of other parts of pancreas
C25.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of pancreas
C25.9	Malignant neoplasm of pancreas, unspecified
C78.4	Secondary malignant neoplasm of small intestine
D00.1	Carcinoma in situ of esophagus
D00.2	Carcinoma in situ of stomach
D01.7	Carcinoma in situ of other specified digestive organs
D01.9	Carcinoma in situ of digestive organ, unspecified
D13.0	Benign neoplasm of esophagus
D13.1	Benign neoplasm of stomach
D13.2	Benign neoplasm of duodenum
D13.30	Benign neoplasm of unspecified part of small intestine
D13.39	Benign neoplasm of other parts of small intestine
D37.1	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of stomach
D37.2	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of small intestine
D37.3	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of appendix
D37.4	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of colon
D37.5	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of rectum
D49.0	Neoplasm of unspecified behavior of digestive system
D50.0	Iron deficiency anemia secondary to blood loss (chronic)
D50.9	Iron deficiency anemia, unspecified
D62	Acute posthemorrhagic anemia
E41	Nutritional marasmus
E43*	Unspecified severe protein-calorie malnutrition
E44.0	Moderate protein-calorie malnutrition
E46	Unspecified protein-calorie malnutrition
E64.0	Sequelae of protein-calorie malnutrition
169.091	Dysphagia following nontraumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage
169.191	Dysphagia following nontraumatic intracerebral hemorrhage
169.291	Dysphagia following other nontraumatic intracranial hemorrhage
169.391	Dysphagia following cerebral infarction
169.891	Dysphagia following other cerebrovascular disease
169.991	Dysphagia following unspecified cerebrovascular disease
177.2	Rupture of artery
185.00	Esophageal varices without bleeding
185.01	Esophageal varices with bleeding
185.10	Secondary esophageal varices without bleeding
185.11	Secondary esophageal varices with bleeding
186.4	Gastric varices
J86.0	Pyothorax with fistula
K20.0	Eosinophilic esophagitis
K20.8	Other esophagitis
K20.9	Esophagitis, unspecified
K21.0	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease with esophagitis
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K21.9	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis
K22.0	Achalasia of cardia
K22.10	Ulcer of esophagus without bleeding
K22.11	Ulcer of esophagus with bleeding
K22.2	Esophageal obstruction
K22.3	Perforation of esophagus
K22.4	Dyskinesia of esophagus
K22.5	Diverticulum of esophagus, acquired
K22.6	Gastro-esophageal laceration-hemorrhage syndrome
K22.70	Barrett's esophagus without dysplasia
K22.710	Barrett's esophagus with low grade dysplasia
K22.711	Barrett's esophagus with high grade dysplasia
K22.719	Barrett's esophagus with dysplasia, unspecified
K22.8	Other specified diseases of esophagus
K25.0	Acute gastric ulcer with hemorrhage
K25.1	Acute gastric ulcer with perforation
K25.2	Acute gastric ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K25.3	Acute gastric ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K25.4	Chronic or unspecified gastric ulcer with hemorrhage
K25.5	Chronic or unspecified gastric ulcer with perforation
K25.6	Chronic or unspecified gastric ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K25.7	Chronic gastric ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K25.9	Gastric ulcer, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K26.0	Acute duodenal ulcer with hemorrhage
K26.1	Acute duodenal ulcer with perforation
K26.2	Acute duodenal ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K26.3	Acute duodenal ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K26.4	Chronic or unspecified duodenal ulcer with hemorrhage
K26.5	Chronic or unspecified duodenal ulcer with perforation
K26.6	Chronic or unspecified duodenal ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K26.7	Chronic duodenal ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K26.9	Duodenal ulcer, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K27.0	Acute peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with hemorrhage
K27.1	Acute peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with perforation
K27.2	Acute peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with both hemorrhage and perforation
K27.3	Acute peptic ulcer, site unspecified, without hemorrhage or perforation
K27.4	Chronic or unspecified peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with hemorrhage
K27.5	Chronic or unspecified peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with perforation
K27.6	Chronic or unspecified peptic ulcer, site unspecified, with both hemorrhage and perforation
K27.7	Chronic peptic ulcer, site unspecified, without hemorrhage or perforation
K27.9	Peptic ulcer, site unspecified, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K28.0	Acute gastrojejunal ulcer with hemorrhage
K28.1	Acute gastrojejunal ulcer with perforation
K28.2	Acute gastrojejunal ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K28.3	Acute gastrojejunal ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K28.4	Chronic or unspecified gastrojejunal ulcer with hemorrhage
K28.5	Chronic or unspecified gastrojejunal ulcer with perforation
K28.6	Chronic or unspecified gastrojejunal ulcer with both hemorrhage and perforation
K28.7	Chronic gastrojejunal ulcer without hemorrhage or perforation
K28.9	Gastrojejunal ulcer, unspecified as acute or chronic, without hemorrhage or perforation
K29.00	Acute gastritis without bleeding
K29.01	Acute gastritis with bleeding



K29.20	Alcoholic gastritis without bleeding
K29.21	Alcoholic gastritis with bleeding
K29.30	Chronic superficial gastritis without bleeding
K29.31	Chronic superficial gastritis with bleeding
K29.40	Chronic atrophic gastritis without bleeding
K29.41	Chronic atrophic gastritis with bleeding
K29.50	Unspecified chronic gastritis without bleeding
K29.51	Unspecified chronic gastritis with bleeding
K29.60	Other gastritis without bleeding
K29.61	Other gastritis with bleeding
K29.70	Gastritis, unspecified, without bleeding
K29.71	Gastritis, unspecified, with bleeding
K29.80	Duodenitis without bleeding
K29.81	Duodenitis with bleeding
K29.90	Gastroduodenitis, unspecified, without bleeding
K29.91	Gastroduodenitis, unspecified, with bleeding
K31.1	Adult hypertrophic pyloric stenosis
K31.2	Hourglass stricture and stenosis of stomach
K31.3	Pylorospasm, not elsewhere classified
K31.4	Gastric diverticulum
K31.5	Obstruction of duodenum
K31.6	Fistula of stomach and duodenum
K31.7	Polyp of stomach and duodenum
K31.811	Angiodysplasia of stomach and duodenum with bleeding
K31.819	Angiodysplasia of stomach and duodenum without bleeding
K31.82	Dieulafoy lesion (hemorrhagic) of stomach and duodenum
K31.89	Other diseases of stomach and duodenum
K44.0	Diaphragmatic hernia with obstruction, without gangrene
K52.81	Eosinophilic gastritis or gastroenteritis
K70.30	Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver without ascites
K70.31	Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver with ascites
K71.7	Toxic liver disease with fibrosis and cirrhosis of liver
K74.3	Primary biliary cirrhosis
K74.4	Secondary biliary cirrhosis
K74.5	Biliary cirrhosis, unspecified
K74.60	Unspecified cirrhosis of liver
K74.69	Other cirrhosis of liver
K76.6	Portal hypertension
K80.00	Calculus of gallbladder with acute cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.01	Calculus of gallbladder with acute cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.10	Calculus of gallbladder with chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.11	Calculus of gallbladder with chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.12	Calculus of gallbladder with acute and chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.13	Calculus of gallbladder with acute and chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.18 K80.19	Calculus of gallbladder with other cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.20	Calculus of gallbladder with other cholecystitis with obstruction Calculus of gallbladder without cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.21	Calculus of gallbladder without cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.30	Calculus of bile duct with cholangitis, unspecified, without obstruction
K80.31	Calculus of bile duct with cholangitis, unspecified, with obstruction
K80.32	Calculus of bile duct with acute cholangitis without obstruction
K80.33	Calculus of bile duct with acute cholangitis with obstruction
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K80.34	Calculus of bile duct with chronic cholangitis without obstruction
K80.35	Calculus of bile duct with chronic cholangitis with obstruction
K80.36	Calculus of bile duct with acute and chronic cholangitis without obstruction
K80.37	Calculus of bile duct with acute and chronic cholangitis with obstruction
K80.40	Calculus of bile duct with cholecystitis, unspecified, without obstruction
K80.41	Calculus of bile duct with cholecystitis, unspecified, with obstruction
K80.42	Calculus of bile duct with acute cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.43	Calculus of bile duct with acute cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.44	Calculus of bile duct with chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.45	Calculus of bile duct with chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.46	Calculus of bile duct with acute and chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.47	Calculus of bile duct with acute and chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.50	Calculus of bile duct without cholangitis or cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.51	Calculus of bile duct without cholangitis or cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.60	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with cholecystitis, unspecified, without obstruction
K80.61	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with cholecystitis, unspecified, with obstruction
K80.62	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with acute cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.63	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with acute cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.64	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.65	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.66	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with acute and chronic cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.67	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct with acute and chronic cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.70	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct without cholecystitis without obstruction
K80.71	Calculus of gallbladder and bile duct without cholecystitis with obstruction
K80.80	Other cholelithiasis without obstruction
K80.81	Other cholelithiasis with obstruction
K83.0	Cholangitis
K83.1	Obstruction of bile duct
K83.2	Perforation of bile duct
K83.3	Fistula of bile duct
K83.4	Spasm of sphincter of Oddi
K83.5	Biliary cyst
K83.8	Other specified diseases of biliary tract
K83.9	Disease of biliary tract, unspecified
K85.00	Idiopathic acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection
K85.01	Idiopathic acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis
K85.02	Idiopathic acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis
K85.10	Biliary acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection
K85.11	Biliary acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis
K85.12	Biliary acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis
K85.20	Alcohol induced acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection
K85.21	Alcohol induced acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis
K85.22	Alcohol induced acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis
K85.30	Drug induced acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection
K85.31	Drug induced acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis
K85.32	Drug induced acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis
K85.80	Other acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection
K85.81	Other acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis
K85.82	Other acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis
K85.90	Acute pancreatitis without necrosis or infection, unspecified
K85.91	Acute pancreatitis with uninfected necrosis, unspecified
K85.92	Acute pancreatitis with infected necrosis, unspecified



K86.0	Alcohol-induced chronic pancreatitis
K86.1	Other chronic pancreatitis
K86.2	Cyst of pancreas
K86.3	Pseudocyst of pancreas
K86.81	Exocrine pancreatic insufficiency
K86.89	Other specified diseases of pancreas
K87	Disorders of gallbladder, biliary tract and pancreas in diseases classified elsewhere
K91.30	Postprocedural intestinal obstruction, unspecified as to partial versus complete
K91.31	Postprocedural partial intestinal obstruction
K91.32	Postprocedural complete intestinal obstruction
K91.5	Postcholecystectomy syndrome
K91.81	Other intraoperative complications of digestive system
K91.82	Postprocedural hepatic failure
K91.83	Postprocedural hepatorenal syndrome
K91.86	Retained cholelithiasis following cholecystectomy
K91.89	Other postprocedural complications and disorders of digestive system
K92.0	Hematemesis
K92.1	Melena
K92.2	Gastrointestinal hemorrhage, unspecified
K92.81	Gastrointestinal mucositis (ulcerative)
K94.23	Gastrostomy malfunction
K94.30	Esophagostomy complications, unspecified
K94.31	Esophagostomy hemorrhage
K94.32	Esophagostomy infection
K94.33	Esophagostomy malfunction
K94.39	Other complications of esophagostomy
Q26.5	Anomalous portal venous connection
Q26.6	Portal vein-hepatic artery fistula
Q27.33	Arteriovenous malformation of digestive system vessel
Q39.0	Atresia of esophagus without fistula
Q39.1	Atresia of esophagus with tracheo-esophageal fistula
Q39.2	Congenital tracheo-esophageal fistula without atresia
Q39.3	Congenital stenosis and stricture of esophagus
Q39.4	Esophageal web
Q39.5	Congenital dilatation of esophagus
Q39.6	Congenital diverticulum of esophagus
Q39.8	Other congenital malformations of esophagus
Q39.9	Congenital malformation of esophagus, unspecified
Q40.2	Other specified congenital malformations of stomach
Q40.3	Congenital malformation of stomach, unspecified
R07.9	Chest pain, unspecified
R10.11	Right upper quadrant pain
R10.12	Left upper quadrant pain
R10.13	Epigastric pain
R10.33	Periumbilical pain
R11.0	Nausea
R11.10	Vomiting, unspecified
R11.11	Vomiting without nausea
R11.12	Projectile vomiting
R11.2	Nausea with vomiting, unspecified
R12	Heartburn
R13.0	Aphagia



R13.10	Dysphagia, unspecified
R13.11	Dysphagia, oral phase
R13.12	Dysphagia, oropharyngeal phase
R13.13	Dysphagia, pharyngeal phase
R13.14	Dysphagia, pharyngoesophageal phase
R13.19	Other dysphagia
R17	Unspecified jaundice
R22.2	Localized swelling, mass and lump, trunk
R59.0	Localized enlarged lymph nodes
R59.1	Generalized enlarged lymph nodes
R59.9	Enlarged lymph nodes, unspecified
R63.0	Anorexia
R63.3	Feeding difficulties
R63.4	Abnormal weight loss
R68.89	Other general symptoms and signs
R93.3	Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of other parts of digestive tract
S11.20XA	Unspecified open wound of pharynx and cervical esophagus, initial encounter
S11.20XD	Unspecified open wound of pharynx and cervical esophagus, subsequent encounter
S11.20XS	Unspecified open wound of pharynx and cervical esophagus, sequela
S11.21XA	Laceration without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, initial encounter
S11.21XD	Laceration without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, subsequent encounter
S11.21XS	Laceration without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, sequela
S11.23XA	Puncture wound without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, initial encounter
S11.23XD	Puncture wound without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, subsequent encounter
S11.23XS	Puncture wound without foreign body of pharynx and cervical esophagus, sequela
S11.25XA	Open bite of pharynx and cervical esophagus, initial encounter
S11.25XD	Open bite of pharynx and cervical esophagus, subsequent encounter
S11.25XS	Open bite of pharynx and cervical esophagus, sequela
S21.309A	Unspecified open wound of unspecified front wall of thorax with penetration into thoracic cavity, initial
	encounter "" I for the state of
S21.309D	Unspecified open wound of unspecified front wall of thorax with penetration into thoracic cavity,
	subsequent encounter
S21.309S	Unspecified open wound of unspecified front wall of thorax with penetration into thoracic cavity, sequela
S27.812A	Contusion of esophagus (thoracic part), initial encounter
S27.812D	Contusion of esophagus (thoracic part), subsequent encounter
S27.812S	Contusion of esophagus (thoracic part), subsequent encounter
S27.813A	Laceration of esophagus (thoracic part), initial encounter
S27.813D	Laceration of esophagus (thoracic part), subsequent encounter
S27.813S	Laceration of esophagus (thoracic part), sequela
S27.818A	Other injury of esophagus (thoracic part), initial encounter
S27.818D	Other injury of esophagus (thoracic part), subsequent encounter
S27.818S	Other injury of esophagus (thoracic part), sequela
S27.819A	Unspecified injury of esophagus (thoracic part), initial encounter
S27.819D	Unspecified injury of esophagus (thoracic part), subsequent encounter
S27.819S	Unspecified injury of esophagus (thoracic part), sequela
T18.100A	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing compression of trachea, initial encounter
T18.100D	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing compression of trachea, subsequent encounter
T18.100S	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing compression of trachea, sequela
T18.108A	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing other injury, initial encounter
T18.108D	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing other injury, subsequent encounter
T18.108S	Unspecified foreign body in esophagus causing other injury, sequela



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T18.110A T18.110D	Gastric contents in esophagus causing compression of trachea, initial encounter
T18.110S	Gastric contents in esophagus causing compression of trachea, subsequent encounter
T18.118A	Gastric contents in esophagus causing compression of trachea, sequela
	Gastric contents in esophagus causing other injury, initial encounter
T18.118D	Gastric contents in esophagus causing other injury, subsequent encounter
T18.118S	Gastric contents in esophagus causing other injury, sequela
T18.120A	Food in esophagus causing compression of trachea, initial encounter
T18.120D	Food in esophagus causing compression of trachea, subsequent encounter
T18.120S	Food in esophagus causing compression of trachea, sequela
T18.128A	Food in esophagus causing other injury, initial encounter
T18.128D	Food in esophagus causing other injury, subsequent encounter
T18.128S	Food in esophagus causing other injury, sequela
T18.190A	Other foreign object in esophagus causing compression of trachea, initial encounter
T18.190D	Other foreign object in esophagus causing compression of trachea, subsequent encounter
T18.190S	Other foreign object in esophagus causing compression of trachea, sequela
T18.198A	Other foreign object in esophagus causing other injury, initial encounter
T18.198D	Other foreign object in esophagus causing other injury, subsequent encounter
T18.198S	Other foreign object in esophagus causing other injury, sequela
T18.2XXA	Foreign body in stomach, initial encounter
T18.2XXD	Foreign body in stomach, subsequent encounter
T18.2XXS	Foreign body in stomach, sequela
T18.3XXA	Foreign body in small intestine, initial encounter
T18.3XXD	Foreign body in small intestine, subsequent encounter
T18.3XXS	Foreign body in small intestine, sequela
T18.4XXA	Foreign body in colon, initial encounter
T18.4XXD	Foreign body in colon, subsequent encounter
T18.4XXS	Foreign body in colon, sequela
T28.0XXA	Burn of mouth and pharynx, initial encounter
T28.0XXD	Burn of mouth and pharynx, subsequent encounter
T28.0XXS	Burn of mouth and pharynx, sequela
T28.1XXA	Burn of esophagus, initial encounter
T28.1XXD	Burn of esophagus, subsequent encounter
T28.1XXS	
T28.2XXA	Burn of other parts of alimentary tract, initial encounter
T28.2XXD	Burn of other parts of alimentary tract, subsequent encounter
T28.2XXS	Burn of other parts of alimentary tract, sequela
T28.5XXA	Corrosion of mouth and pharynx, initial encounter
T28.5XXD	Corrosion of mouth and pharynx, subsequent encounter
T28.5XXS	Corrosion of mouth and pharynx, sequela
T28.6XXA	Corrosion of esophagus, initial encounter
T28.6XXD	Corrosion of esophagus, subsequent encounter
T28.6XXS	Corrosion of esophagus, sequela
T28.7XXA	Corrosion of other parts of alimentary tract, initial encounter
T28.7XXD	Corrosion of other parts of alimentary tract, subsequent encounter
T28.7XXS	Corrosion of other parts of alimentary tract, sequela
T54.1X1A	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
T54.1X1D	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, accidental (unintentional), subsequent encounter
T54.1X1S	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, accidental (unintentional), sequela
T54.1X2A	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
T54.1X2D	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, intentional self-harm, subsequent encounter
T54.1X2S	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, intentional self-harm, sequela
T54.1X3A	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, assault, initial encounter



T54.1X3D	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, assault, subsequent encounter
T54.1X3S	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, assault, sequela
T54.1X4A	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, undetermined, initial encounter
T54.1X4D	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, undetermined, subsequent encounter
T54.1X4S	Toxic effect of other corrosive organic compounds, undetermined, sequela
T54.3X1A	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
T54.3X1D	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, accidental (unintentional), subsequent
	encounter
T54.3X1S	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, accidental (unintentional), sequela
T54.3X2A	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
T54.3X2D	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, intentional self-harm, subsequent
	encounter
T54.3X2S	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, intentional self-harm, sequela
T54.3X3A	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, assault, initial encounter
T54.3X3D	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, assault, subsequent encounter
T54.3X3S	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, assault, sequela
T54.3X4A	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, undetermined, initial encounter
T54.3X4D	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, undetermined, subsequent encounter
T54.3X4S	Toxic effect of corrosive alkalis and alkali-like substances, undetermined, sequela
T54.91XA	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
T54.91XD	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, accidental (unintentional), subsequent encounter
T54.91XS	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, accidental (unintentional), sequela
T54.92XA	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
T54.92XD	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, intentional self-harm, subsequent encounter
T54.92XS	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, intentional self-harm, sequela
T54.93XA	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, assault, initial encounter
T54.93XD	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, assault, subsequent encounter
T54.93XS	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, assault, sequela
T54.94XA	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, undetermined, initial encounter
T54.94XD	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, undetermined, subsequent encounter
T54.94XS T57.1X1A	Toxic effect of unspecified corrosive substance, undetermined, sequela Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
T57.1X1A	
T57.1X1S	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, accidental (unintentional), subsequent encounter Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, accidental (unintentional), sequela
T57.1X13	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, accidental (uninteritorial), sequela Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
T57.1X2D	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, intentional self-harm, subsequent encounter
T57.1X2S	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, intentional self-harm, subsequent encounter
T57.1X3A	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, assault, initial encounter
T57.1X3D	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, assault, subsequent encounter
T57.1X3S	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, assault, sequela
T57.1X4A	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, undetermined, initial encounter
T57.1X4D	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, undetermined, subsequent encounter
T57.1X4S	Toxic effect of phosphorus and its compounds, undetermined, sequela
Z08	Encounter for follow-up examination after completed treatment for malignant neoplasm
	Encounter for follow-up examination after completed treatment for conditions other than malignant
Z09	neoplasm
Z46.51*	Encounter for fitting and adjustment of gastric lap band
Z46.59*	Encounter for fitting and adjustment of other gastrointestinal appliance and device
Z79.01	Long term (current) use of anticoagulants
Z79.3	Long term (current) use of hormonal contraceptives
Z79.51	Long term (current) use of inhaled steroids
Z79.52	Long term (current) use of systemic steroids



Z79.82	Long term (current) use of aspirin
Z79.891	Long term (current) use of opiate analgesic
Z79.899	Other long term (current) drug therapy
Z85.00	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of unspecified digestive organ
Z85.01	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of esophagus
Z85.028	Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of stomach

REVISION HISTORY EXPLANATION

ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 11/28/2018

11/28/2018: Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy does not require prior authorization. Appropriate ICD-10 diagnosis code (as listed above) required for coverage.

12/09/2020: Medical policy placed on the new Paramount Medical Policy Format.

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