

Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS)

Advanced Illness and Frailty Exclusions



When frailty or advanced illness begins to impact function and overall quality of life, HEDIS allows for exclusions of certain measures.

Who will be excluded from the measures? Patients will be excluded when there is evidence of:

- Frailty refers to a person’s mental and physical resilience, or their ability to bounce back and recover from events like illness and injury. When frailty codes are billed in the measurement year and include two indicators of frailty with different dates of service, the patient is excluded from the measures.
- Advanced Illness refers to a medical condition that has reached a severe and progressive stage, where curative treatments may no longer be effective or appropriate. When an Advanced Illness diagnosis is billed on at least two different dates of service during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year, the patient is excluded from the measures.
- Palliative Care - patients receiving care for life-threatening illness. Exclusions are based on any single claim with a palliative care code during the current year.

Exclusions*	BCS	CBP	COL	EED	GSD	KED	OMW	SPC	SUPD
Patients aged 66 and older with both advanced illness and frailty									
Patients aged 66-80 with both advanced illness and frailty									
Patients aged 67-80 years old with both advanced illness and frailty									
Patients aged 81 and older with frailty alone									
Patients receiving palliative care									

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National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) recognizes that some HEDIS measures don’t necessarily apply to patient who have advanced illnesses or frailty and may be of little benefit or not in line with their preferences or goals of care. The information in this flyer reflects HEDIS specifications and should not preclude clinical judgment. Treatment decisions should be based on clinical judgment of the healthcare provider.

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Patients can only be excluded via the NCQA Advanced Illness Value set and/or Frailty Value Set submitted on a claim.

The following table outlines CPT and ICD10 codes for each value set. This coding information in this document is subject to changing requirements and should not be relied on as official coding or legal advice. All codes should be considered on a case-by-case basis and supported by medical necessity and appropriate documentation in the medical record.

Advanced Illness ICD-10 Codes	Definition
A81.00-01, A81.09	Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease
C25.0-4, 7-9	Malignant neoplasm of pancreas
C71.0-9	Malignant neoplasm of the brain
C77.0-5, 8-9	Secondary and unspecified malignant neoplasm of lymph nodes
C78.00-2	Secondary malignant neoplasm of lung
C78.1	Secondary malignant neoplasm of mediastinum
C78.2	Secondary malignant neoplasm of pleura
C78.30, C78.39	Secondary malignant neoplasm of other respiratory or other others
C78.4	Secondary malignant neoplasm of small intestine
C78.5	Secondary malignant neoplasm of large intestine and rectum
C78.6	Secondary malignant neoplasm of retroperitoneum and peritoneum
C78.7	Secondary malignant neoplasm of liver and intrahepatic bile duct
C78.80, C78.89	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified and other digestive organs
C79.00-02	Secondary malignant neoplasm of kidney and renal pelvis
C79.10-11, C79.19	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bladder and other urinary organs
C79.2	Secondary malignant neoplasm of skin
C79.31	Secondary malignant neoplasm of brain
C79.32	Secondary malignant neoplasm of cerebral meninges
C79.40, C79.49	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified or other parts of nervous system
C79.51	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bone
C79.52	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bone marrow
C79.60	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified ovary
C79.61	Secondary malignant neoplasm of right ovary
C79.62	Secondary malignant neoplasm of left ovary
C79.63	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bilateral ovaries

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Advanced Illness ICD-10 Codes	Definition
C79.70	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified adrenal gland
C79.71	Secondary malignant neoplasm of right adrenal gland
C79.72	Secondary malignant neoplasm of left adrenal gland
C79.81	Secondary malignant neoplasm of breast
C79.82	Secondary malignant neoplasm of genital organs
C79.89	Secondary malignant neoplasm of other specified sites
C79.9	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified site
C91.00, C92.00, C93.00, C93.90, C93.Z0, C94.30	Leukemia not having achieved remission
C91.02, C92.02, C93.02, C93.92, C93.Z2, C94.32	Leukemia in relapse
F01.50, F01.51, F01.511, F01.518, F01.52-54, F01.A0, F01.A11, F01.A18, F01.A2-4, F01.B0, F01.B11, F01.B18, F01.B2-4, F01.C0, F01.C11, F01.C18, F01.C2-4, F02.80, F02.81, F02.811, F02.818, F02.82-84, F02.A0, F02.A11, F02.A18, F02.A2-4, F02.B11, F02.B18, F02.B2-4, F02.C0, F02.C11, F02.C18, F02.C2-4, F03.90, F03.91, F03.911, F03.918, F03.92-94, F03.A0, F03.A11, F03.A18, F03.A2-4, F03.B0, F03.B11, F03.B18, F03.B2-4, F03.C0, F03.C11, F03.C18, F03.C2-4, G31.09, G31.83	Dementia
F04	Amnesic disorder due to known physiological condition
F10.27, 96-97	Alcohol-induced persisting amnesic disorder or dementia
G30.0, G30.1, G30.8, G30.9	Alzheimer's disease
G10	Huntington's disease
G12.21	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
G20	Parkinson's disease
G31.01	Pick's disease
G35	Multiple sclerosis
I09.81, I11.0, I13.0, I13.2, I50.20-23, I50.30-33, I50.40-43, I50.810-814	Heart failure
I12.0, I13.11, I13.2, N18.5	Chronic kidney disease, stage 5
I50.1	Left ventricular failure, unspecified
J43.0-2, J43.8-9, J98.2-3	Emphysema
J68.4	Chronic respiratory conditions due to chemicals, gases, fumes and vapors
J84.10, J84.112, J84.17, J84.170 J84.178	Pulmonary fibrosis
J96.10-12, J96.20-22, J96.90-92	Respiratory failure

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Frailty ICD-10 Codes	Definition
K70.10-K70.9, K70.41, K70.9	Alcoholic hepatic disease
K74.0-K74.2, K74.4-K74.69,	Hepatic disease, cirrhosis
N18.5, N18.6	End stage renal disease
L89.000-L89.96	Pressure ulcer
M62.50	Muscle wasting and atrophy, not elsewhere classified, unspecified
M62.81	Muscle weakness (generalized)
M62.84	Sarcopenia
R26.2	Difficulty in walking, not elsewhere classified
R26.89	Other abnormalities of gait and mobility
R26.9	Unspecified abnormalities of gait and mobility
R53.1	Weakness
R53.81	Other malaise
R54	Age-related physical debility
R62.7	Adult failure to thrive
R63.4	Abnormal weight loss
R63.6	Underweight
R64	Cachexia
W01.0XXA-W01.198S, W06.XXXAW10.9XXS, W18.00XA-W19.X	Fall
Y92.199	Unspecified place in other specified residential institution as the place of occurrence of the external cause
Z59.3	Problems related to living in residential institution
Z73.6	Limitation of activities due to disability
Z74.01	Bed confinement status
Z74.09	Other reduced mobility
Z74.1	Need for assistance with personal care
Z74.2	Need for assistance at home and no other household member able to
Z74.3	Need for continuous supervision
Z74.8-9	Problems related to care provider dependency
Z91.81	History of falling
Z99.11	Dependence on respirator [ventilator] status
Z99.3	Dependence on wheelchair
Z99.81	Dependence on supplemental oxygen
Z99.89	Dependence on other enabling machines and devices

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Frailty CPT Codes	Definition
99504	Home visit for mechanical ventilation care
99509	Home visit for assistance with activities of daily living and personal care

Frailty HCPCS Codes	Definition
E0100, E0105	Cane
E0130-E0149	Walker
E0163 -E0171	Commode Chair
E0250-E0270, E0290-E0297, E0301-E0304	Hospital bed
E0424-E0444	Oxygen
E0462	Rocking bed with or without side rails
E0465, E0466	Home ventilator
E0470-2	Respiratory assist device
E1130, E1140, E1150, E1160, E1161, E1170, E1171, E1172, E1180, E1190, E1195, E1200, E1220, E1240, E1250, E1260, E1270, E1280, E1285, E1290, E1295, E1296, E1297, E1298	Wheelchair
G0162, G0299, G0300, G0493-4	Skilled RN services related to home health/hospice setting
S0271	Physician management of patient home care, hospice
S0311	Management and coordination for advanced illness
S9123, S9124, T1000-5, T1019- T1022, T1030, T1031	Nursing, respite care, and personal care services

Palliative Care Value Set	Definition
G9054 (HCPCS)	Oncology primary focus visit supervising, coordinating or managing care of patient with terminal cancer or for whom other medical illness prevents further cancer treatment; includes symptom management, end-of-life care planning, management of palliative therapies (for use in a Medicare-approved demonstration project)
M1017 (HCPCS)	Patient admitted to palliative care services
Z51.5 (ICD-10 Code)	Encounter for Palliative Care

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