

7th character fracture coding tip sheet for skilled nursing facilities

The following chart shows 7th character options for ICD-10 codes to help skilled nursing facilities when billing for UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Advantage plan members who are admitted for rehabilitation for traumatic or pathological fractures. The options are based on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' reference guide, ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting.

| 7th character option | Traumatic fractures |
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| Α | Initial encounter for closed fracture |
| В | Initial encounter for open fracture type I or II/initial encounter for open fracture NOS |
| С | Initial encounter for open fracture type IIIA, IIIB or IIIC |
| D | Subsequent encounter for closed fracture with routine healing |
| E | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type I or II with routine healing |
| F | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type IIIA, IIIB or IIIC with routine healing |
| G | Subsequent encounter for closed fracture with delayed healing |
| Н | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type I or II with delayed healing |
| J | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type IIIA, IIIB or IIIC with delayed healing |
| K | Subsequent encounter for closed fracture with nonunion |
| M | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type I or II with nonunion |
| N | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type IIIA, IIIB or IIIC with nonunion |
| Р | Subsequent encounter for closed fracture with malunion |
| Q | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type I or II with malunion |
| R | Subsequent encounter for open fracture type IIIA, IIIB or IIIC with malunion |
| S | Sequela |
| 7th character option | Pathological fractures |
| Α | Initial encounter for fracture |
| D | Subsequent encounter for fracture with routine healing |
| G | Subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing |
| K | Subsequent encounter for fracture with delayed healing |
| Р | Subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion |
| S | Sequela |

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