



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
A	Initial encounter for closed fracture
B	Initial encounter for open fracture type I or II/initial encounter for open fracture NOS
C	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
H	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
P	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
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	Pathological Fractures
A	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 nonunion
P	Subsequent encounter for fracture with malunion
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