Coding for Intimate Partner Violence

Counseling

Current Procedural Terminology Codes

According to the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), codes 99384–99397 include age-appropriate counseling, anticipatory guidance, and risk factor reduction interventions provided at the time of the initial or periodic comprehensive preventive medicine examinations.

If the encounter was for screening for a patient without symptoms, report a preventive medicine code. These codes are selected according to the time spent in face-to-face counseling with the patient. Use codes 99401, 99402, 99403, 99404 for individual counseling, and codes 99411 and 99412 for group counseling as appropriate:

- 99401 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure); approximately 15 minutes
- 99402 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure); approximately 30 minutes
- 99403 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure); approximately 45 minutes
- 99404 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure); approximately 60 minutes
- 99411 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to individuals in a group setting (separate procedure); approximately 30 minutes
- 99412 Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to individuals in a group setting (separate procedure); approximately 60 minutes

Diagnosis Codes

- O9A.4 Sexual abuse complicating pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium
  - O9A.41 Sexual abuse complicating pregnancy
  - O9A.411 Sexual abuse complicating pregnancy, first trimester
  - O9A.412 Sexual abuse complicating pregnancy, second trimester
  - O9A.413 Sexual abuse complicating pregnancy, third trimester
  - O9A.42 Sexual abuse complicating childbirth
  - O9A.43 Sexual abuse complicating the puerperium
There is no specific ICD-10 or CPT code for domestic, sexual, and interpersonal violence screening, but code Z13.89, Encounter for screening for other disorder, could possibly be reported. In addition to abuse diagnosis codes, codes from category Y07, Perpetrator of assault, maltreatment and neglect, may be reported. Codes from this category may be used only in cases of confirmed abuse (T74.-) (T74–T74.92XS).

Medicare does not reimburse for consultation codes. Physicians providing consultation services to Medicare patients should report the E/M codes that represent where the visit occurs and that identify the complexity of the visit performed.