

Benign Carcinoid Tumors

CMS-HHC_V28 Model Updates

At Healthfirst, we are committed to helping providers accurately document and code their patients' health records. This tip sheet is intended to assist providers and coding staff with the documentation and **ICD-10-CM selection, along with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) Version 28 Model Updates**, on services submitted to Healthfirst—specifically for Benign Carcinoid Tumors. It provides information from industry sources about proper coding practice. However, this document does not represent or guarantee that Healthfirst will cover and/or pay for the services outlined. Coverage decisions are based on the terms of the applicable evidence of coverage and the provider's participation agreement. This includes the determination of any amounts that Healthfirst or the member owes the provider.

Carcinoid tumors can be benign (non-cancerous) or malignant (cancerous). Benign carcinoid tumors are typically small and usually can be removed completely and, in most cases, they do not come back. Cells from benign carcinoid tumors do not spread to other parts of the body.

ICD-10-CM Codes and Descriptions

D3A.0*	Benign carcinoid tumors
D3A.00	Benign carcinoid tumor of unspecified site
Includes: Carcinoid tumor NOS	

D3A.01*	Benign carcinoid tumors of the small intestine
D3A.010	Benign carcinoid tumor of the duodenum

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D3A.01*	Benign carcinoid tumors of the small intestine
D3A.011	Benign carcinoid tumor of the jejunum
D3A.012	Benign carcinoid tumor of the ileum
D3A.019	Benign carcinoid tumor of the small intestine, unspecified portion

D3A.02*	Benign carcinoid tumors of the appendix, large intestine, and rectum
D3A.020	Benign carcinoid tumor of the appendix
D3A.021	Benign carcinoid tumor of the cecum
D3A.022	Benign carcinoid tumor of the ascending colon
D3A.023	Benign carcinoid tumor of the transverse colon
D3A.024	Benign carcinoid tumor of the descending colon
D3A.025	Benign carcinoid tumor of the sigmoid colon
D3A.026	Benign carcinoid tumor of the rectum
D3A.029	Benign carcinoid tumor of the large intestine, unspecified portion

D3A.09*	Benign carcinoid tumors of other sites
D3A.090	Benign carcinoid tumor of the bronchus and lung
D3A.091	Benign carcinoid tumor of the thymus
D3A.092	Benign carcinoid tumor of the stomach

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D3A.09*	Benign carcinoid tumors of other sites
D3A.093	Benign carcinoid tumor of the kidney
D3A.094	Benign carcinoid tumor of the foregut, unspecified
D3A.095	Benign carcinoid tumor of the midgut, unspecified
D3A.096	Benign carcinoid tumor of the hindgut, unspecified
D3A.098	Benign carcinoid tumors of other sites

D3A.8	Other benign neuroendocrine tumors
Neuroendocrine tumor NOS	

Coding Documentation Recommended	
Identify for associated	Multiple endocrine neoplasia (MEN) syndromes, Endocrine syndrome, such as: Carcinoid syndrome
Type	Benign, Other Benign neuroendocrine, Unspecified
Document the site	Small Intestine, Large Intestine, Appendix, Rectum, Other (Lung, Thymus, Stomach, Kidney)

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Clinical Documentation Recommendations	
Updated Status of Condition	Stable, Improved, and/or Worsening
Any Risk Factors	Family History, Older Age
Symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Abdominal pain• Nausea, vomiting• Diarrhea• Rectal bleeding• Chest pain• Pink or purple marks on the skin• Weight gain
Diagnostic Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blood tests• Urine tests• CT scan• MRI scan• PET scan• Nuclear medicine scan• Endoscopy• Biopsy
Include Treatment Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Surgery• Chemotherapy• Targeted Drug Therapy• Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy (PRRT)• Radiofrequency ablation• Cryoablation

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Example	
Case	A patient was admitted for resection of a benign carcinoid tumor of the left lower lobe of the lung. What is the principal diagnosis code assignment for this admission?
ICD-10 Code and Rationale	Assign code D3A.090 - Benign carcinoid tumor of the bronchus and lung . In order to maintain coding accuracy and consistency, coders must be guided by the instructional notes. The following instructional note is listed in the Alphabetic Index under: Tumor Carcinoid Benign Lung (bronchus) D3A.090

References

- [AHA Coding Clinic](#)
- [ICD-10-CM Official Coding Guidelines 2024](#)

Questions?

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