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### **Personality Disorders**

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, on services submitted to Healthfirst—specifically for **Personality Disorders**. 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 amount that Healthfirst or the member owes the provider.

**Personality Disorders** are a group of mental health conditions characterized by long-term patterns of thinking, feeling, and behaving that are significantly different from the expectations of the individual's culture. These patterns cause a person significant distress and/or impair their ability to function which typically begin in adolescence or early adulthood.

#### **ICD-10 Codes and Descriptions**

Code	Description		
F21	Schizotypal Disorder		
F60.0	Paranoid Personality Disorder  • Expansive Paranoid Personality  • Fanatic Personality  • Querulant Personality  • Sensitive Paranoid Personality		
F60.1	Schizoid Personality Disorder		
F60.2	Antisocial Personality Disorder		

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Code	Description	
F60.3	Borderline Personality Disorder	
F60.4	Histrionic Personality Disorder  • Hysterical Personality  • Psychoinfantile Personality	
F60.5	Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder	
F60.6	Avoidant Personality Disorder  • Anxious Personality	
F60.7	Dependent Personality Disorder	
F60.81	Narcissistic Personality Disorder	
F60.89	Other Specific Personality Disorders	
F60.9	Personality Disorder, Unspecified	

### **Clinical Documentation Recommendations**

Updated Status of Condition	Signs and Symptoms	Causes	Diagnostic Test	Treatment Plan
<ul><li>Stable</li><li>Improved</li><li>Worsening</li></ul>	(Dramatic and erratic)	<ul> <li>Genetics</li> <li>Brain changes</li> <li>Childhood trauma</li> <li>Verbal abuse</li> <li>Cultural factors</li> </ul>	<ul><li>DSM-5</li><li>PDQ</li><li>MMPI</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Psychotherapy</li> <li>SSRI's (Zoloft, Prozac, Luvox, etc.)</li> <li>Mood Stabilizers</li> <li>Antidepressants</li> <li>Antipsychotic medications</li> <li>Anti-anxiety medications</li> <li>Hospital, residential or outpatient program</li> </ul>

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### **Coding Tips**

- Do not code F91\* Conduct Disorders for F60.2 Antisocial Personality Disorder
- Be specific with the type of personality disorder diagnosed. Avoid vague terms like "personality issues."
- Document any comorbid psychiatric conditions (e.g., depression, anxiety, OCD).
- Coordinate documentation between psychiatry and primary care to endure consistency.

#### **Coding Example**

Case	A 42-year-old male presents for a psychiatric evaluation due to difficulties in interpersonal relationships and chronic perfectionism. The patient is described as excessively devoted to work and productivity. Patient has a strong need for order and control, struggles to delegate tasks, and exhibits rigid standards that interfere with task completion. The psychiatrist recommends cognitive behavioral therapy once a week and prescribed Fluoxetine. The psychiatrist diagnosed the patient with Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder.		
Diagnosis Reported	F60.5 - Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder		
Rationale	<b>F60.5</b> specifically captures Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder (OCPD), a distinct diagnosis from Obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) which is coded under <b>F42.X</b> Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder is characterized by rigidity, perfectionism and control without the presence of intrusive thoughts and compulsion found in OCD.		

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<sup>\*</sup>Requires additional digits to complete the code.

#### References

- ICD-10-CM Official Coding Guidelines
- American Psychiatric Association
- <u>Cleveland Clinic Personality Disorders</u>
- Merck Manual

#### **Questions?**

Contact us at #Risk Adjustments and clinical Documentation@healthfirst.org.

For additional documentation and coding guidance, please visit the coding section on HFproviders.org

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