

Purpura and Other Hemorrhagic Conditions

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, specifically for common types of **Purpura and Other Hemorrhagic Conditions**. 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 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.

Purpura refers to a hemorrhage or extravasation of blood into the tissues or organs that appear as bruises or small red patches.

Clinical Documentation Should Include

Status of Condition	Stable, Improved, Worsening, or Resolved
Link Associated Conditions with Terms	- Due to - Secondary to or associated with, i.e., secondary ITP-lupus associated, secondary ITP-drug-induced, or other chronic conditions
Types	- Allergic - Qualitative Platelet Defects Purpura Simplex - Senile Purpura - Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP) Evans Syndrome - Congenital and Hereditary Thrombocytopenia Purpura – Specify congenital or hereditary disorder Megakaryocytic Hypoplasia - Primary Thrombocytopenia Secondary Thrombocytopenia – Post-Transfusion Purpura Capillary Fragility - Vascular Pseudo hemophilia

Documentation and Coding

Treatment Plan	• Hematologist recommendations • Lifestyle changes and/or any referral given • Any recurrent and/or severe infections due to other conditions, i.e., ITP-lupus • Evidence of significant deficiency in gamma-globulin levels prior to treatment • Diagnostic Testing: Pertinent blood results/procedures, bone marrow exams, etc. • Medications: Romiplostim, Promacta, Corticosteroids, Rituximab (Rituxan, Truxima) • Intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIG) treatments to raise platelet levels fast • Blood Transfusion Splenectomy
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Coding Tips

- Thrombocytopenia is still reported if the condition is actively being managed.
- Document to the highest level of specificity for appropriate **ICD-10** code assignment.
- When multiple types of thrombocytopenia are documented in the record, select the most specific type.
- Assign **Z86.2** – Personal history of diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism.
- Code **D69.1** – Qualitative platelet defects should not be coded with **D59.3*** – hemolytic-uremic syndrome.
 - For **D69.1** category attributed into two codes:
 - **D69.11** - Glanzmann thrombasthenia (Include terms: Glanzmann's Disease, Thromboasthenia (Hemorrhagic)(hereditary)
 - **D69.19** – Thrombocytopathy (Include terms: Grey platelet syndrome, Bernard-Soulier [giant platelet] syndrome, Other qualitative platelet defects
- Do not describe purpura and other hemorrhagic conditions as history of if the condition is still active (in diagnosis, history of implies the condition has resolved or no longer exists).
- Do not use words that imply uncertainty, i.e., likely, probable, apparently, consistent with, etc., to describe a current or confirmed diagnosis in the outpatient setting.

Documentation and Coding

ICD-10-CM Codes and Descriptions

Purpura and Other Hemorrhagic Conditions	Other Primary Thrombocytopenia
• D69.1 - Qualitative Platelet Defects • D69.3 - Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP)	• D69.41 - Evans Syndrome • D69.42 - Congenital and Hereditary Thrombocytopenia Purpura • D69.49 - Primary Thrombocytopenia NOS

This is not an all-inclusive list of ICD-10-codes.

Coding Example

Case	ICD-10-CM Code
A 75-year-old female with primary thrombocytopenia that continues to have low platelets. Patient has both sides of their mouth cracked, with some bleeding. No other signs of bleeding. Will order immunoglobulin infusion therapy and avoid skin irritants like harsh toothpaste, mouthwashes, and spicy foods.	Assign code D69.49 , Other primary thrombocytopenia (Primary thrombocytopenia NOS)

References

- [ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting, FY 2027](#)
- [cms.gov, Medicare Coverage Database](#)
- [ncbi.nlm.nih.gov, Immune Thrombocytopenia](#)
- [mayoclinic.org, Immune Thrombocytopenia \(ITP\)](#)

Questions?

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