

# Documentation and Reporting Chronic Kidney Disease

## DOCUMENTATION TIPS

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) cannot be reported from diagnostic reports alone, e.g. lab results. The provider must bring the results into the progress note, assess the current stage of CKD and document the pertinent findings in the progress note. Document to the highest level of specificity. Avoid vague terminology such as chronic renal insufficiency or chronic renal failure. Include these elements in the documentation:

1. Underlying condition, e.g. hypertension **or** diabetes,
2. Stage of CKD,
3. Dialysis status, if applicable,
4. Complication of CKD, if applicable.

### Chronic kidney disease (CKD)

ICD-10-CM Code	Description	Severity
N18.1	Chronic kidney disease, stage 1	Normal or slightly elevated GFR
N18.2	Chronic kidney disease, stage 2	Mild
N18.30	Chronic kidney disease, stage 3 unspecified	Moderate
N18.31	Chronic kidney disease stage <b>3a</b> (eGFR 45-59)	Moderate
N18.32	Chronic kidney disease, stage <b>3b</b> (eGFR 30-44)	Moderate
N18.4	Chronic kidney disease, stage 4	Severe
N18.5	Chronic kidney disease, stage 5	Kidney failure
N18.6	End stage renal disease (ESRD)	Requires chronic dialysis
N18.9	Chronic kidney disease, unspecified	Unspecified, CRD, CRF NOS or CRI

When both CKD, stage 5 and ESRD are present, report only N18.6 End stage renal disease as well as Z99.2 Dependence on renal dialysis.

ICD-10-CM Code	Condition	Description
Z99.2	Dialysis status	Dependence on renal dialysis; or, presence of AV shunt for dialysis
Z49.0-	Fitting or adjustment	Encounter for fitting and adjustment of dialysis catheter
Z91.15	Noncompliance	Patient's noncompliance with renal dialysis
Z94.0	Transplant status	Kidney transplant status

Patients who have undergone kidney transplant may still have CKD because the transplant may not fully restore kidney function. Document and report the stage of CKD. The provider should **not** document or report the CKD as a complication of the transplant, unless rejection or a complication exists.

## Hypertensive CKD

ICD-10-CM presumes a causal relationship between hypertension and CKD and diabetes and CKD. Document specifically the underlying condition as well as the stage of CKD.

ICD-10-CM Code	Description
I12.0	Hypertensive chronic kidney disease with stage 5 chronic kidney disease or end stage renal disease
I12.9	Hypertensive chronic kidney disease with stage 1 through 4 chronic kidney disease or unspecified chronic kidney disease
I13.0	Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease with heart failure and stage 1 through 4 chronic kidney disease or unspecified chronic kidney disease
I13.10	Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease without heart failure, with stage 1 through 4 chronic kidney disease or unspecified chronic kidney disease
I13.11	Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease without heart failure, with stage 5 chronic kidney disease or end stage renal disease
I13.2	Hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease with heart failure and with stage 5 chronic kidney disease or end stage renal disease

## Secondary Hyperparathyroidism of Renal Origin (SHPT)

SHPT is a common complication of CKD. Screen patients with CKD stages 3 through 5 for **secondary hyperparathyroidism of renal origin**. As applicable, assess the condition and document to the highest level of specificity. Report secondary hyperparathyroidism of **renal origin** as well as the stage of CKD.

- N25.81 Secondary hyperparathyroidism of renal origin

## DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING EXAMPLE

Patient with hypertensive CKD, stage 5 on dialysis 3 x a week. Continue Lisinopril, 10 mg q.d.

I12.0 Hypertensive chronic kidney disease with stage 5 chronic kidney disease or end stage renal disease

N18.6 End stage renal disease

Z99.2 Dependence on renal dialysis



**HEDIS:** Detailed information about kidney disease measures is available through your Passport/Molina Quality Representative.

According to the ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting FY2022: “A dash (-) at the end of an alphabetic index entry indicates that additional characters are required.” Refer to the tabular list to identify the appropriate character(s) that will complete the diagnosis code.

1. ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting FY2022. 1 Oct. 2021, [www.cms.gov/files/document/fy-2022-icd-10-cm-coding-guidelines.pdf](http://www.cms.gov/files/document/fy-2022-icd-10-cm-coding-guidelines.pdf). Accessed 30 Nov. 2021.