

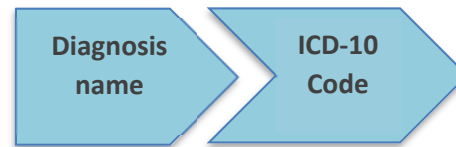
Billing Guide for Tobacco Screening Services Screening, Intervention, and Counseling for Small Practices

Under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit, all children enrolled in Medicaid in the U.S. Virgin Islands are provided with comprehensive coverage for Tobacco services like screening patients for tobacco use and secondhand smoke exposure, encouraging patients and families to stop smoking, and provide cessation resources. This is only a sample of outpatient codes, which can be used for counseling patients or guardians. Billers should contact private insurance companies to find reimbursement rates for the following codes.

| Service type | Description | CPT/ICD- 10 Codes | | |
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| Outpatient- Physical Evaluation & Management Services | Office or other outpatient visit, new patient ; self-limited or minor problem, 10 min | 99201 | In most circumstances, codes 99406 and 99407 can be reported ONLY under the patient who is smoking or using tobacco. They are not to be reported under your patient when the parent or guardian is counseled on smoking cessation or tobacco use. | |
| | low to moderate severity problem, 20 min | 99202 | | |
| | moderate severity problem, 30 min | 99203 | | |
| | moderate to high severity problem, 45 min | 99204 | | |
| | high severity problem, 60 min | 99205 | | |
| | Office or other outpatient visit, established patient ; minimal problem, 10 min | 99211 | | |
| | low to moderate severity problem, 20 min | 99212 | | |
| | moderate severity problem, 30 min | 99213 | | |
| | moderate to high severity problem, 45 min | 99214 | | |
| | high severity problem, 60 min | 99215 | | |
| Outpatient Counseling | Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit; intermediate, greater than 3 minutes up to 10 minutes | 99406 | | *If a parent has been counseled on smoking cessation see the information below on how to obtain a payment. |
| | intensive, greater than 10 minutes | 99407 | | |
| | administration and interpretation of health risk assessment instruments | 99420 | | |

One way to obtain payment when the parent or guardian smokes, and is being counseled by the pediatrician is to report the **E/M service** (e.g., 99201-99215) using time as the key factor. Use as many diagnosis codes that apply to document the patient's complexity and report symptoms. This includes additional codes (not included here) for asthma, substance abuse, and mental health disorders etc. Use Z codes to report reason for encounter.

For a complete list of diagnoses names for tobacco-related encounters and associated CPT or ICD-10 codes, please refer to the table below. Please report all pertaining diagnoses to complete billing procedures. If the diagnosis of the treated patient is not in the list, please refer to an ICD-10 code finder on the web.



| Diagnosis name | ICD-10 Codes |
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| Cigarettes and Nicotine Dependence Unspecified Nicotine Dependence | |
| Nicotine dependence, unspecified, uncomplicated | F17.200 |
| Nicotine dependence, unspecified, in remission | F17.201 |
| Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, uncomplicated | F17.210 |
| Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, in remission | F17.211 |
| Cigarettes and Toxic Effects | |
| Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, accidental (unintentional) | T65.221A |
| Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, intentional self-harm | T65.212A |
| Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, assault | T65.223A |
| Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, undetermined | T65.224A |
| Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, accidental (unintentional) | T65.291A |
| Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, intentional self-harm | T65.292A |
| Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, assault | T65.293A |
| Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, undetermined | T65.294A |
| Personal history of nicotine dependence | T87.891 |
| Chewing tobacco and Nicotine Dependence | |
| Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, uncomplicated | F17.220 |
| Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, in remission | F17.221 |
| Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, uncomplicated | F17.290 |
| Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, in remission | F17.291 |
| Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, accidental (unintentional) | T65.211A |
| Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, intentional self-harm | T65.212A |
| Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, assault | T65.213A |
| Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, undetermined | T65.214A |
| Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, undetermined | T65.294A |

Want more info? Our PEHSU team can help your practice identify other billing codes for environmental health services. Contact us at 1(866)-265-6201 or at pehsu@mssm.edu.

American Academy of Pediatrics Tobacco coding Fact Sheet at <https://bit.ly/2F504de>