

COVID-19 Claim Billing

Providers should bill for known or suspected Covid-19 diagnosis by the patient's condition such as pneumonia that is related to the COVID-19 infection AND:

The primary diagnosis code should be either:

- For known exposure to COVID-19 (without a diagnosis of COVID-19), report **Z20.828**, "Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases."
- For suspected exposure to COVID-19 that is ruled out after evaluation, report **Z03.818**, "Encounter for observation for suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out."
- For suspected COVID-19, not confirmed or ruled out at the encounter, report codes for the presenting signs and symptoms.

The following codes should be billed secondary if the diagnosis is confirmed:

- Confirmed Diagnosis (before ICD 10 CM is updated in Oct 2020)
 - **B97.29**, "Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere."
- Confirmed Diagnosis (after ICD 10 CM is updated in Oct 2020)
 - **U07.1**, 2019-nCoV acute respiratory disease

Providers should add other diagnoses based on the conditions the patient is presenting such as viral pneumonia.

Do not report a code for coronavirus when this diagnosis is not stated in the medical record.

Providers may find the most up-to-date coding guidance from the CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm> .