

## MEDICAID CODING GUIDELINE

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# Maternal Depression Screening

**CPT CODE:        99420        Administration and interpretation of health risk assessment instrument (e.g., health hazard appraisal)**

**Indications:** Maternal depression affects up to 18% of mothers during the first year after delivery. Untreated maternal depression can have major, long-term adverse effects for the mother and her child, including placing the child at risk for delays in social - emotional development. Early detection, referral and treatment of maternal depression can greatly reduce adverse consequences. A pediatric provider may be the only provider that a mother sees within the first year after delivery. As a result, pediatric providers have the opportunity to identify and refer mothers for depression through routine screening at the child's Health Tracks (EPSDT) or other pediatric office visit.

Effective July 1, 2011, North Dakota Medicaid reimburses maternal depression screening as a separate service when performed **in conjunction with** a Health Tracks screening or any other pediatric visit, as a risk assessment for the child. Providers are encouraged to screen mothers who have a North Dakota Medicaid-eligible child under the age of one for maternal depression.

## **CRITERIA:**

Maternal depression screening is covered as follows:

- Screen any time within the child's first year (suggested screening times are at the 1-month visit and the 4-month and one other subsequent visit before the child's first birthday)
- Use one of the following standardized screening tools:
  - [Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale \(EPDS\)](#)
  - [Patient Health Questionnaire - 9 \(PHQ-9\) Screener](#)
  - [Beck Depression Inventory \(BDI\)](#)

## **ICD-9-CM COVERED DIAGNOSIS:**

<b>V20.2</b>	Routine infant or child health check (**child 29 days and older)
<b>V20.31</b>	Health supervision for newborn under 8 days old
<b>V20.32</b>	Health supervision for newborn 8 to 28 days old

## **ICD-10-CM COVERED DIAGNOSIS:**

<b>Z00.110</b>	Health examination for newborn under 8 days old
<b>Z00.111</b>	Health examination for newborn 8 to 28 days old
<b>Z00.121</b>	Encounter for routine child health examination with abnormal findings
<b>Z00.129</b>	Encounter for routine child health examination without abnormal findings

**CODING/BILLING:**

**99420**

Administration and interpretation of health risk assessment instrument (e.g., health hazard appraisal)  
**(may be billed on the same date as 96110)**

When the maternal depression screening occurs during a Health Tracks screening or other pediatric office visit for an North Dakota Medicaid-eligible child under one year of age, follow these guidelines:

- Bill only when one of the standardized screening instruments is used
- Bill using the child's North Dakota Medicaid recipient ID number

**North Dakota Medicaid allows up to three (3) maternal depression screenings for a child under the age of one.**

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