Clinical Coding Consultation

Proposal for new OPCS-4.9 codes for medical termination of pregnancy documented as a delivery procedure

This proposal for authoring new OPCS-4.9 codes is for review and comment and must not be used for coding patient episodes of care.

Please review this proposal and enter any comments into the feedback and comments area for this consultation.

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The proposal for authoring new OPCS-4 codes for medical termination of pregnancy documented as a delivery procedure, for possible inclusion in a new category in Chapter Q of OPCS-4, is for the following scenarios:

- Patient received abortifacient/feticide was discharged home. Patient later re-admitted to deliver a fetus (irrespective of gestational age or outcome of termination i.e. liveborn/stillborn). Documented as a delivery procedure.

- Patient received abortifacient/feticide and delivered a fetus in the same episode of care (irrespective of gestational age or outcome of termination i.e. liveborn/stillborn). Documented as a delivery procedure.

In OPCS-4, the Excludes note at Chapter R Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium (Codes R01-R43) prohibits the use of codes in Chapter R to classify procedures relating to operations associated with abortive outcome and directs the coder to classify these procedures with a code from Chapter Q Upper Female Genital Tract (Codes Q01-Q57). However, there is no code available in Chapter Q to identify an intended abortion/termination that results in an actual delivery procedure.

Proposed new category in Chapter Q Upper Female Genital Tract (Codes Q01-Q57)

Q58 Delivery of terminated fetus
   Excludes: Open delivery of terminated fetus (Q09.1) or Caesarean Delivery of terminated fetus (Q09.1)
   Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)

Q58.1 Vaginal delivery of terminated fetus
Q58.2 Breech delivery of terminated fetus
   Includes: Assisted breech delivery of terminated fetus NEC
Q58.8 Other specified delivery of terminated fetus
Q58.9 Unspecified delivery of terminated fetus
Current OPCS-4 codes for termination procedures

Chapter Q Upper Female Genital Tract (Codes Q01-Q57).

Q09  Other open operations on uterus

Q09.1 Open removal of products of conception from uterus
   \textit{Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)}
Q09.2 Open myomectomy
Q09.3 Open excision of lesion of uterus NEC
   \textit{Includes: Excision of lesion of uterus NEC}
Q09.4 Open biopsy of lesion of uterus
   \textit{Includes: Open biopsy of uterus}
Q09.5 Metroplasty
Q09.6 Incision of uterus NEC
   \textit{Includes: Hysterotomy NEC}
Q09.8 Other specified
Q09.9 Unspecified

Q10  Curettage of uterus

Q10.1 Dilation of cervix uteri and curettage of products of conception from uterus
   \textit{Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)}
Q10.2 Curettage of products of conception from uterus NEC
   \textit{Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)}
Q10.3 Dilation of cervix uteri and curettage of uterus NEC
Q10.8 Other specified
Q10.9 Unspecified

Q11  Other evacuation of contents of uterus
   \textit{Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)}

Q11.1 Vacuum aspiration of products of conception from uterus NEC
   \textit{Includes: Dilation of cervix uteri and vacuum aspiration of products of conception from uterus NEC}
Q11.2 Dilation of cervix uteri and evacuation of products of conception from uterus NEC
Q11.3 Evacuation of products of conception from uterus NEC
Q11.4 Extraction of menses
Q11.5 Vacuum aspiration of products of conception from uterus using rigid cannula
Q11.6 Vacuum aspiration of products of conception from uterus using flexible cannula
Q11.8 Other specified
Q11.9 Unspecified

Q14  Introduction of abortifacient into uterine cavity
   \textit{Note: Use a subsidiary code to identify gestational age (Y95)}

Q14.1 Intra-amniotic injection of prostaglandin
Q14.2 Intra-amniotic injection of abortifacient NEC
Q14.3 Extra-amniotic injection of prostaglandin
Q14.4 Extra-amniotic injection of abortifacient NEC
Q14.5 Insertion of prostaglandin pessary
Q14.6 Insertion of abortifacient pessary NEC
Q14.8 Other specified
Q14.9 Unspecified

Current codes for delivery procedures:

Chapter R Female Genital Tract Associated with Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium (Codes R01-R43)

R17 Elective caesarean delivery
  R17.1 Elective upper uterine segment caesarean delivery
  R17.2 Elective lower uterine segment caesarean delivery
  R17.8 Other specified
  R17.9 Unspecified

R18 Other caesarean delivery
  Includes: Emergency caesarean delivery
  Excludes: Caesarean hysterectomy (R25.1)
  R18.1 Upper uterine segment caesarean delivery NEC
  R18.2 Lower uterine segment caesarean delivery NEC
  R18.8 Other specified
  R18.9 Unspecified

R19 Breech extraction delivery
  R19.1 Breech extraction delivery with version
  R19.8 Other specified
  R19.9 Unspecified

R20 Other breech delivery
  R20.1 Spontaneous breech delivery
  R20.2 Assisted breech delivery
  R20.8 Other specified
  R20.9 Unspecified

R21 Forceps cephalic delivery
  R21.1 High forceps cephalic delivery with rotation
  R21.2 High forceps cephalic delivery NEC
  R21.3 Mid forceps cephalic delivery with rotation
  R21.4 Mid forceps cephalic delivery NEC
  R21.5 Low forceps cephalic delivery
R21.8 Other specified
R21.9 Unspecified

R22 Vacuum delivery
R22.1 High vacuum delivery
R22.2 Low vacuum delivery
R22.3 Vacuum delivery before full dilation of cervix
R22.8 Other specified
R22.9 Unspecified

R23 Cephalic vaginal delivery with abnormal presentation of head at delivery without instrument
R23.1 Manipulative cephalic vaginal delivery with abnormal presentation of head at delivery without instrument
R23.2 Non-manipulative cephalic vaginal delivery with abnormal presentation of head at delivery without instrument
R23.8 Other specified
R23.9 Unspecified

R24 Normal delivery
R24.9 All

R25 Other methods of delivery
R25.1 Caesarean hysterectomy
R25.2 Destructive operation to facilitate delivery
R25.8 Other specified
R25.9 Unspecified

R27 Other operations to facilitate delivery
R27.1 Episiotomy to facilitate delivery
R27.2 Deinfibulation of vulva to facilitate delivery
R27.8 Other specified
R27.9 Unspecified

R28 Instrumental removal of products of conception from delivered uterus
Excludes: After termination of pregnancy (Q10, Q11)
R28.1 Curettage of delivered uterus
R28.8 Other specified
R28.9 Unspecified