

Prenatal/Postnatal

Quick Reference Guide

This short guide will provide you with key information to improve your prenatal/postnatal billing that DoctorCare helps you track

Read below for best practice recommendations on how to enhance prenatal and newborn patient care and maximize your billings

Quick Tips

- 1) You can bill the P005 alongside either the P003 or the P004
- 2) You can bill the A002 between 17 and 24 months of age
- 3) The P003 or P004 counts toward your prenatal bonus for enrolled patients

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What codes can I bill for prenatal patients?

- There are 3 main codes to bill for prenatal patients. The Prenatal Major Visit (P003), The Prenatal Minor Visit (P004), The Antenatal Preventative Health Assessment (P005).
- **P003 – The Prenatal Major Visit - \$77.20**
A prenatal general assessment includes a full history, an examination of all parts or systems, and advice to the patient. This can be billed once per pregnancy.
- **P004 – The Prenatal Minor Visit – \$36.85**
This code includes all subsequent visits for pregnant patients. There is no limit to the amount of times this can be billed.
- **P005 - The Antenatal Preventative Health Assessment - \$45.15**
Completed by the most responsible physician for antenatal risk, examining all current psychosocial, genetic and medical issues affecting antenatal risk. This can be billed once per pregnancy.

When should I be billing the different prenatal codes?

- The Prenatal Major Visit (P003) and Antenatal Preventative Health Assessment (P005) can each be billed once per pregnancy while the Prenatal Minor Visit (P004) does not have a limit.
- The P005 can be billed alongside the P003 or P004.
- It is always good to do the P003/P005 combo on the first visit to make sure the major assessments are done for the patient and ensuring the best care.
- Using your Practice Care report, you can keep track of your P003, P004 and P005 billings.
- DoctorCare can generate a list of patients you have missed a P003 or P005 billing towards.

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What is the prenatal special bonus/premium?

- This bonus/premium is claimed when doing prenatal assessments on 5 different patients.
- The codes that trigger this premium is the prenatal major visit (P003) and prenatal minor visit (P004).
- Once billed on 5 patients, you will receive a bonus of \$2,000 on your next Remittance Advice (RA).

I am unclear about the childhood immunization preventive care bonus

- The bonus targets enrolled patients between the ages of 2.5 to 3.5 years old.
- These patients must have received all applicable immunizations by 2.5 years of age by March 31st.
- There is a potential bonus of \$2,200.

What are some other relevant codes?

- **P008 – Postnatal Care in Office - \$33.70**
 - This should be billed within 6 weeks of birth.
 - There is no limit to the amount of times you can bill this.
 - You can bill this if you are assessing the mother on the same day when she comes in with her newborn baby.
- **A002 - Enhanced 18 Month Well Baby Visits - \$62.20**
 - These visits can be done between the 17th-24th month.
 - This visit must include age appropriate developmental screen and concerns identified by the parent/guardian.
 - We recommend using the Rourke Baby Record and Nipissing District Developmental Screen (NDDS).
 - The parent/guardian can fill out the NDDS while waiting to see the doctor to optimize time during the visit.

QUESTIONS?

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