

Pain Management ICD-10-CM Coding

MEDESUN MEDICAL CODING ACADEMY

ICD-10-CM CODE G89-

There are extensive guidelines for reporting pain codes in category **G89**, including sequencing rules and when to report a code from category **G89** as an additional code. It should be noted that pain not specified as acute or chronic, postthoracotomy, postprocedural, or neoplasm-related is **not reported** with a code from category G89

Reason for admission

Pain control	Principal Diagnosis-G89, then code site/underlying condition
Other reason, not pain control. Definitive cause of pain unknown	Principal Diagnosis - Pain site, then assign G89
Insertion of neurostimulator for pain control	Principal Diagnosis- G89, then code underlying condition
Treatment of underlying condition	Principal Diagnosis - Underlying condition. Do not assign G89
Treatment of pain related to psychological factors	List code F45.42, then G89- Circumstances of admission decide the sequencing

Note: Coding postoperative pain is based on the provider's documentation. Routine or expected postoperative pain immediately after a surgery is not coded.

There is no time frame when acute pain becomes chronic. Query provider

NEOPLASM RELATED PAIN MANAGEMENT

- If visit is for pain management, assign **G89- and then neoplasm code**
- If visit is for treatment of neoplasm and pain during the visit-assign **Neoplasm, then G89-**

POSTOPERATIVE PAIN MANAGEMENT

If pain is associated with Post op complication, assign **complication code, then G89-**
if pain is not related to post op complication, then **G89.18/G89.28**

Central pain syndrome: G89.0

Chronic pain syndrome: G89.4