

OB billing – Epidural insertion/monitoring and C-Section billing

- Generally **16.91C** and **16.91G** should be **billed together** on the same encounter¹
- C-sections are usually a ***new encounter*** they must be **submitted separately with a different encounter number or they will be refused**

Reduce your rejections and improve your reimbursement



1. <https://www.albertadoctors.org/fee-navigator/governing-rules/1.14>

Example: C-section after epidural

Example: 08:00-08:30 - Sarah Smith - Epidural insertion WK- 16.91C TWK 02
(Weekend) 08:30-09:30 Epidural insertion on a different patient
Then **resume monitoring** on Sarah Smith Epidural - **no call back**
09:30-10:00 - Sara Smith - Epidural monitoring 16.91G x 6 TWK 02
10:00-10:45 - Sara Smith C-Section WK - 86.9D + TWK 03

- For patient Sarah Smith above:
 - 16.91C and 16.91G should be bill together on the same encounter. **Encounter number = 1**
 - 86.9D should be bill separately – on a new encounter. **Encounter number = 2**



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- Epidural should be billed as follows:**

- 1. Encounter #1**
- 2. WK 16.91C**
- 3. 16.91G x 6**
- 4. TWK x 04**
- 5. Submit**

Correct



Add a new Code Ex: 03.03D | 03.07A | 03.08A | 03.08L | 16.91A | 16.91B | 16.91C | 16.91G | 98.11C | 98.11F

Encounter Number - 1 +

Procedure Calculation:

2

16.91C : Injection of anesthetic into spinal canal for analgesia {Epidural} Calls - 1 +

Injection of anesthetic into spinal canal for analgesia {Epidural}

Modifiers [] +

Diagnostic Codes [] +

WK -

Popular Codes: General Sympt - 780.9 (Gen Surg/Gyn/Plastics/ENT/Other) | Neurosurg/Spine - 349.8 | Orthopedics -781 | Urology 788.9 | Blood Patch

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16.91G : Insertion of anaesthetic into spinal canal for analgesia Calls - 6 +

Insertion of anaesthetic into spinal canal for analgesia

Modifiers [] +

Diagnostic Codes [] +

4

TWK - 4 +

TEV - 0 +

TNTP - 0 +

TNTA - 0 +

5

Submit

Save Submit

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Ensure Encounter # = 2



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+ Add

Encounter Number

- 2 +

1

• The C-Section should then be billed as follows:

1. Encounter #2
2. WK 86.9D
3. TWK x 03
4. Submit

2

Procedure Calculation:

86.9 D : Cesarean section of unspecified type {Cesarean section of unspecified type} Calls - 1 +

Cesarean section of unspecified type {Cesarean section of unspecified type}

Modifiers: +

Diagnostic Codes: +

ANE - WK -

Popular Codes: General Sympt - 780.9 (Gen Surg/Gyn/Plastics/ENT/Other) | Neurosurg/Spine - 349.8 | Orthopedics -781 | Urology 788.9 | Blood Patch 349.0

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TWK - 3 + TEV - 0 + TNTP - 0 + TNTA - 0 +

Submit



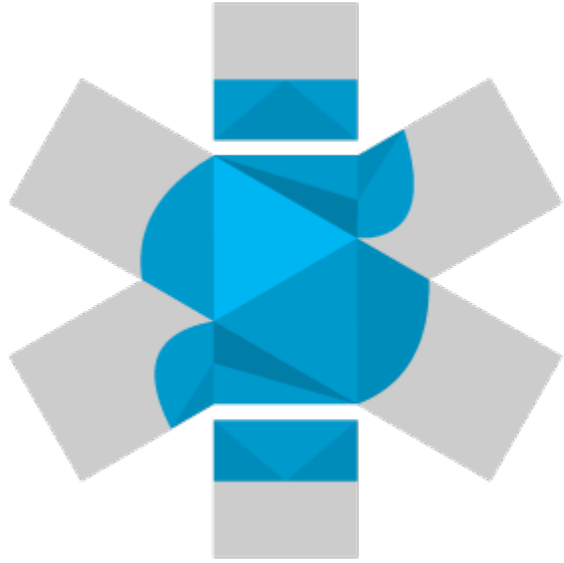
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Save

Submit

Correct





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Appendix: C-section after epidural

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 10:00-10:45 - Sara Smith **C-Section WK - 86.9D + TWK 03**