

# Hepatitis

Hepatitis is a general term for liver inflammation that can be caused by a number of things, including viruses, alcohol, drugs, chemicals, genetic disorders, or an overactive immune system.

## ICD-10 CODES

<b>B15.0</b> Hepatitis A with hepatic coma	<b>B19.11</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis B with hepatic coma
<b>B15.9</b> Hepatitis A without hepatic coma	<b>B19.20</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis C without coma
<b>B16.0</b> Acute hepatitis B with delta-agent with hepatic coma	<b>B19.21</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis C with hepatic coma
<b>B16.1</b> Acute hepatitis B with delta-agent without hepatic coma	<b>B19.9</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis without hepatic coma
<b>B16.2</b> Acute hepatitis B without delta-agent with hepatic coma	<b>K70.10</b> Alcoholic hepatitis without ascites
<b>B16.9</b> Acute hepatitis B without delta-agent without hepatic coma	<b>K70.11</b> Alcoholic hepatitis with ascites
<b>B17.0</b> Acute delta infection of hepatitis B carrier	<b>K73.0</b> Chronic persistent hepatitis, NEC
<b>B17.10</b> Acute hepatitis C without hepatic coma	<b>K73.1</b> Chronic lobar hepatitis, NEC
<b>B17.11</b> Acute hepatitis C with hepatic coma	<b>K73.2</b> Chronic active hepatitis, NEC
<b>B17.2</b> Acute hepatitis E	<b>K73.8</b> Other chronic hepatitis, NEC
<b>B17.8</b> Other specified acute viral hepatitis	<b>K73.9</b> Chronic hepatitis, unspecified
<b>B17.9</b> Acute viral hepatitis, unspecified	<b>K75.2</b> Nonspecific Reactive Hepatitis
<b>B18.0</b> Chronic viral hepatitis B with delta-agent	<b>K75.3</b> Granulomatous Hepatitis, NEC
<b>B18.1</b> Chronic viral hepatitis B without delta-agent	<b>K75.4</b> Autoimmune Hepatitis
<b>B18.2</b> Chronic viral hepatitis C	<b>K75.81</b> Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)
<b>B18.8</b> Other chronic viral hepatitis	<b>K75.89</b> Other specified inflammatory liver disease
<b>B18.9</b> Chronic viral hepatitis, unspecified	<b>K75.9</b> Inflammatory Liver Disease, unspecified
<b>B19.0</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis with hepatic coma	<b>Z86.19</b> Personal history of other infectious and parasitic diseases
<b>B19.10</b> Unspecified viral hepatitis B without hepatic coma	<b>Z87.19</b> Personal history of other diseases of the digestive system

## DOCUMENTATION ACRONYMS

### DEEP Diagnosis Elements

Include elements of DEEP in documentation to clinically support hepatitis.

**Diagnosis:** Hepatitis

**Evidence:** Splenomegaly noted on CT, patient complains of RUQ pain, nausea and generalized itching, elevated ALT and AST for 2 consecutive draws, ASMA also noted

**Evaluation:** Type 1 autoimmune hepatitis

**Plan:** Start prednisone and repeat labs 1 month

### Final Assessment Details

Include DSP for each addressed condition impacting treatment and patient care.

#### Diagnosis

##### Hepatitis Diagnosis

- Viral (including type) hepatitis
- Autoimmune hepatitis
- Alcoholic hepatitis

#### Status

##### Active (no curative history)

- Acute
- Chronic
- With coma
  - without coma

##### Historical (curative measure successful)

- Secondary Condition
  - Cause resolved
  - Cause still present

#### Plan

- Currently active
  - History of (coded as history)
- In remission
- Status post treatment (coded as history)

### BEST PRACTICES & TIPS

- **Without additional specificity** or cause documented, the documentation of Hepatitis alone will only mean inflammatory liver disease.
- Viral hepatitis requires documentation of **cause and acute or chronic status** to ensure the true severity of the disease is represented.
- If hepatitis documentation indicates **status post treatment or undetectable viral load** it can only be assumed to be personal history.
- **Avoid** using terms such as “probable”, “suspected”, “likely”, “questionable”, “possible”, with a confirmed and active, and untreated diagnosis of hepatitis.
- Documentation should always include **DEEP elements** to show clinical evidence of hepatitis. Incorporate labs & imaging results, signs, symptoms, as well as any secondary conditions.
- Distinctly **document the associated medication** to the condition and whether or not treatment has been completed.



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