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# Examples of ICD-10-CM Codes Typically Associated with TBI

# Acute Injuries

| <b>Series Code</b> | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| S02.0xx            | Fractures of vault of skull—requires a seventh character for type of encounter and healing             |
| S02.1              | Fractures of base of skull—requires two digits and a seventh character                                 |
| S06.0              | Concussion—requires two digits and a seventh character   |
| S06.1              | Traumatic cerebral edema—requires two digits and a seventh character                                   |
| S06.2              | Diffuse traumatic brain injury—requires two digits and a seventh character                             |
| S06.30             | Focal traumatic brain injury—requires an additional digit and a seventh character                      |
| S06.31             | Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum—requires an additional digit and a seventh character        |
| S06.32             | Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum—requires an additional digit and a seventh character         |
| S06.33             | Contusion and laceration of cerebrum, unspecified—requires an additional digit and a seventh character |
| S09.x              | Unspecified intracranial injury (TBI NOS)—requires an additional digit and a seventh character         |

# Late Effect Codes or Sequela

| <b>Series Code</b> | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| S06.2              | Diffuse traumatic brain injury—requires two digits and a seventh character of S        |
| S06.30             | Focal traumatic brain injury—requires an additional digit and a seventh character of S |



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#### Symptoms Involving Emotional State

| ICD-10 Code | Symptom  |
|-------------|--|
| R45.0       | Nervousness  |
| R45.4       | Irritability and anger                             |
| R45.87      | Impulsiveness                                      |
| R45.86      | Emotional lability                                 |
| R45.3       | Demoralization and apathy                          |
| R45.89      | Other signs and symptoms involving emotional state |

# Symptoms Involving Cognitive Function and Awareness

| ICD-10 Code | Symptom  |
|-------------|--|
| R41.840     | Attention and concentration deficit                                  |
| R41.841     | Cognitive communication deficit                                      |
| R41.842     | Visuospatial deficit   |
| R41.843     | Psychomotor deficit  |
| R41.844     | Frontal lobe and executive function deficit                          |
| R41.89      | Other signs and symptoms involving cognitive functions and awareness |

Note: Memory deficits will be coded as R41.3.

# Physical Effects of TBI

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| ICD-10 Code   | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| G44.301       | Posttraumatic headache, unspecified, intractable             |
| <u>G44309</u> | Posttraumatic headache, unspecified, not intractable         |
| G44.321       | Chronic posttraumatic headache, unspecified, intractable     |
| G44.329       | Chronic posttraumatic headache, unspecified, not intractable |
| R42.          | Dizziness  |
| R43.0         | Loss of smell (anosmia)                                      |
| R43.8         | Other disturbance of smell and taste                         |
| R47.82        | Fluency disorder conditions classified elsewhere             |
| R47.81        | Slurred speech   |
| R56.1         | Posttraumatic seizures                                       |