

Post-Deployment Health Concerns ICD - 9 - CM Codes

AT EACH POST-DEPLOYMENT VISIT (Primary or Specialty Care) at least two ICD-9-CM codes must be assigned.

The Primary ICD-9-CM Code(s) for the...

Patient with **Asymptomatic Concern is V65.5**

Patient with a **Specific Diagnosis or Symptom(s)** that he/she believes is deployment related is that **diagnosis or symptom code**, e.g., sprained ankle, poison ivy, headaches, constipation, etc.

Patient with **Medically Unexplained Physical Symptoms is 799.8** (used only after several visits and appropriate diagnostic evaluation reveals no specific diagnosis for a chronic condition)

ALL Deployment Related Visits should additionally have the following code listed: **V70.5__6, Deployment Related Visit.**

Type of Patient	Example	Primary Code	Secondary Code
Asymptomatic Concerned, Deployment Related	35 y/o G ₄ P ₀₀₃₀ wife of active duty armored soldier requests information about exposure to depleted uranium. She has no symptoms that concern her, but she has read about depleted uranium in a magazine and asked questions at last week's visit for pregnancy. The reason she is seeking care now is that she was instructed then to make a follow-up visit to give her PCM time to research the issue.	V65.5	V70.5__6
Symptoms, Deployment Related	Mother of a 13 y/o girl brings child in for significant weight loss since the winter school holiday. Upon questioning, it is noted that the child's father was deployed to Bosnia, returning a month ago. The child's mother notes this concern may be related to the father being away.	783.2 (abnormal loss of weight)	V70.5__6
Diagnosis, Deployment Related	23 y/o Marine reported to sick call for a poison ivy rash that developed after the last FTX to the field a few days ago.	692.6 (contact dermatitis due to plants)	V70.5__6
Medically Unexplained Physical Symptoms, Deployment Related	49 y/o retired E-8 has been evaluated by you over the last 3 months (5 visits) for intermittent joint pain, intermittent vertigo and severe fatigue. Patient states that he thinks he was exposed to something in Kuwait on a mission 2 years ago. Your work-up to date is complete but negative.	799.8 (other ill-defined conditions and unknown causes of morbidity)	V70.5__6