

**SWI-L** Literature  
**SWI-M** Medications  
**SWI-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
 Therapy  
**SWI-N** Nutrition  
**SWI-P** Prevention  
**SWI-PM** Pain Management  
**SWI-TE** Tests  
**SWI-WC** Wound Care

#### TO - TOBACCO USE

**TO-C** Complications  
**TO-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health  
**TO-DP** Disease Process  
**TO-EX** Exercise  
**TO-FU** Follow-up  
**TO-HY** Hygiene  
**TO-IR** Information & Referral  
**TO-L** Literature  
**TO-LA** Lifestyle Adaptations  
**TO-M** Medications  
**TO-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
 Therapy  
**TO-N** Nutrition  
**TO-P** Prevention  
**TO-QT** Quit  
**TO-S** Safety  
**TO-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke  
**TO-SM** Stress Management

#### TB - TUBERCULOSIS

**TB-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health  
**TB-DOT** Directly Observed Therapy  
**TB-DP** Disease Process  
**TB-FU** Follow-up  
**TB-L** Literature  
**TB-M** Medications  
**TB-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
 Therapy  
**TB-N** Nutrition  
**TB-P** Prevention  
**TB-PPD** Screening Skin Test  
**TB-TE** Tests  
**TB-TX** Treatment

#### URI - UPPER RESPIRATORY INFECTION

**URI-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health  
**URI-DP** Disease Process  
**URI-FU** Follow-up  
**URI-HM** Home Management  
**URI-L** Literature  
**URI-M** Medications  
**URI-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
 Therapy  
**URI-N** Nutrition  
**URI-P** Prevention

#### UTI - URINARY TRACT INFECTION

**UTI-AP** Anatomy & Physiology  
**UTI-DP** Disease Process  
**UTI-FU** Follow-up  
**UTI-HY** Hygiene  
**UTI-L** Literature  
**UTI-M** Medications  
**UTI-MNT** Medical Nutrition

Therapy

#### WH - WOMEN'S HEALTH

**WH-AP** Anatomy & Physiology  
**WH-BE** Breast Exam  
**WH-COLP** Colposcopy  
**WH-CRYO** Cryotherapy  
**WH-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health  
**WH-EX** Exercise  
**WH-FU** Follow-up  
**WH-HY** Hygiene  
**WH-KE** Kegel Exercises  
**WH-L** Literature  
**WH-LP** LEEP  
**WH-M** Medications  
**WH-MAM** Mammogram  
**WH-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
 Therapy  
**WH-MP** Menopause  
**WH-MS** Menses  
**WH-N** Nutrition  
**WH-OS** Osteoporosis  
**WH-PAP** Pap Smear  
**WH-PMS** Premenstrual Syndrome  
**WH-PRO** Procedures  
**WH-RS** Reproductive System  
**WH-SM** Stress Management  
**WH-STI** Sexually Transmitted Infections  
**WH-TD** Transdermal (Patch)  
**WH-TE** Tests



# Patient & Family Education Codes (PEPC)

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The PHN Patient Education Codes, as listed in this booklet, is a list of commonly used codes by Public Health Nursing.

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We hope you find the codes helpful in documenting your patient education. If you provide education and do not find a corresponding patient education code listed in this booklet, we suggest that you consult that the Patient Education Protocols and Codes Manual (PEPC) located at [www.ihs.gov](http://www.ihs.gov). Look under Nationwide Programs and Initiatives; in the upper right-hand corner you will see the link to the PEPC webpage.

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NF-P Prevention

NF-TE Tests

Syndrome

PN-FU Follow-up

PN-GD Growth & Development

PN-GDM Gestational Diabetes

PN-GEN Genetic Testing

PN-HIV Human

Immunodeficiency

Virus

PN-L Literature

PN-M Medications

PN-MNT Medical Nutrition

Therapy

PN-N Nutrition

PN-PIH Pregnancy-Induced Hypertension and Pre-Eclampsia

PN-PM Pain Management

PTL Pre-term Labor

PN-S Safety

PN-SHS Second-Hand Smoke

PN-SM Stress Management

PN-SOC Social Health

PN-STI Sexually Transmitted Infections

PN-TE Tests

PN-TO Tobacco

PN-VBAC Vaginal Birth after Cesarean Section

## SIDS - SUDDEN INFANT DEATH

SIDS-CUL Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health

SIDS-I Information

SIDS-L Literature

SIDS-P Prevention

SIDS-S Safety

SIDS-SHS Second-Hand Smoke

## ST - STREP THROAT

ST-C Complications

ST-DP Disease Process

ST-FU Follow-up

ST-L Literature

ST-M Medications

ST-P Prevention

ST-PM Pain Management

ST-TE Tests

## STI - SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

STI-AP Anatomy & Physiology

STI-C Complications

STI-CUL Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health

STI-DP Disease Process

STI-FU Follow-up

STI-HPDP Health Promotion, Disease Prevention

STI-L Literature

STI-M Medications

STI-P Prevention

STI-SM Stress Management

STI-TE Tests

STI-TX Treatment

## SWI - SKIN AND WOUND INFECTIONS

SWI-C Complications

SWI-DP Disease Process

SWI-EQ Equipment

SWI-FU Follow-up

## USE AND DOCUMENTATION OF PATIENT EDUCATION CODES

**HTN-N** Nutrition  
**HTN-SM** Stress Management  
**HTN-TE** Tests

### LICE - HEAD LICE

**LICE-C** Complications  
**LICE-CM** Case Management  
**LICE-DP** Disease Process  
**LICE-FU** Follow-up  
**LICE-HM** Home Management  
**LICE-HY** Hygiene  
**LICE-L** Literature  
**LICE-M** Medications  
**LICE-P** Prevention  
**LICE-TX** Treatment

### IM - IMMUNIZATION

**IM-DEF** Deficiency  
**IM-FU** Follow-up  
**IM-I** Immunization Information  
**IM-L** Literature  
**IM-P** Prevention  
**IM-SCH** Schedule

### IMP - IMPETIGO

**IMP-DP** Disease Process  
**IMP-FU** Follow-up  
**IMP-L** Literature  
**IMP-M** Medications  
**IMP-P** Prevention  
**IMP-TX** Treatment

### INJ - INJURIES

**INJ-AP** Anatomy & Physiology  
**INJ-CC** Cast Care  
**INJ-EQ** Equipment  
**INJ-EX** Exercise  
**INJ-FU** Follow-up  
**INJ-HM** Home Management  
**INJ-I** Information  
**INJ-L** Literature  
**INJ-M** Medications  
**INJ-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**INJ-N** Therapy  
**INJ-P** Prevention  
**INJ-PM** Pain Management  
**INJ-TE** Tests  
**INJ-TX** Treatment  
**INJ-WC** Wound Care

### LIV - LIVER DISEASE

**LIV-ADV** Advance Directive  
**LIV-AP** Anatomy & Physiology  
**LIV-C** Complications  
**LIV-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual  
**LIV-DP** Aspects of Health  
**LIV-FU** Disease Process  
**LIV-FU** Follow-up  
**LIV-L** Literature  
**LIV-LA** Lifestyle Adaptations  
**LIV-M** Medications  
**LIV-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**LIV-N** Therapy  
**LIV-N** Nutrition  
**LIV-TE** Tests  
**LIV-TX** Treatment

### M - MEDICATIONS

**M-DI** Drug Interaction  
**M-FU** Follow-up  
**M-I** Information  
**M-L** Literature  
**M-MB** Medication Box Teaching

**M-MDI** Metered-Dose Inhalers  
**M-MR** Medication Reconciliation  
**M-NEB** Nebulizer  
**M-PRX** Medication Dispensation to Proxy

### MH - MEN'S HEALTH

**MH-AP** Anatomy and Physiology  
**MH-BE** Breast Exam  
**MH-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual  
**MH-FU** Aspects of Health  
**MH-HY** Follow-up  
**MH-HY** Hygiene  
**MH-L** Literature  
**MH-M** Medications  
**MH-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**MH-N** Therapy  
**MH-N** Nutrition  
**MH-PRS** Prostate Health  
**MH-RS** Reproductive System  
**MH-SM** Stress Management  
**MH-TE** Tests  
**MH-TSE** Testicular Self-Exam

### OBS - OBESITY

**OBS-C** Complications  
**OBS-CM** Case Management  
**OBS-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual  
**OBS-DP** Aspects of Health  
**OBS-EX** Disease Process  
**OBS-FU** Exercise  
**OBS-IR** Follow-up  
**OBS-L** Information & Referral  
**OBS-L** Literature  
**OBS-LA** Lifestyle Adaptations  
**OBS-M** Medications  
**OBS-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**OBS-N** Therapy  
**OBS-N** Nutrition  
**OBS-P** Prevention  
**OBS-SCR** Screening  
**OBS-SM** Stress Management  
**OBS-TE** Tests

### OBSC-OBESITY IN CHILDREN (INFANCY TO 18 YEARS)

**OBSC-C** Complications  
**OBSC-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual  
**OBSC-DP** Aspects of Health  
**OBSC-EX** Disease Process  
**OBSC-FU** Exercise  
**OBSC-HPDP** Follow-up  
**OBSC-HY** Health Promotion,  
**OBSC-LA** Disease Prevention  
**OBSC-HY** Literature  
**OBSC-LA** Lifestyle Adaptations  
**OBSC-M** Medications  
**OBSC-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**OBSC-N** Therapy  
**OBSC-N** Nutrition  
**OBSC-SM** Stress Management

### NF - NEONATAL FEVER

**NF-C** Complications  
**NF-DP** Disease Process  
**NF-EQ** Equipment  
**NF-FU** Follow-up  
**NF-L** Literature  
**NF-M** Medications

### Why Use the Codes

Use of the codes helps nurses, physicians and other health care providers to document and track patient education. The provision of education in the hospital, clinic, home or community is documentable and can be tracked via RPMS. While it is frequently desirable to spend 15, 30 even 60 minutes making an assessment of need, providing education and then documenting the encounter, the reality of a busy PHN practice often requires us to do this in a more abbreviated fashion. The codes allow the PHN a quick method of documenting that education took place during a given patient visit. The codes are then transferred to the Health Summary which informs everyone using the chart that a given patient received education on specific topics. The codes are limited in that they do not detail the exact nature of the education. However, using these codes consistently will show the pattern of education provided and encourage subsequent health professionals to do the appropriate follow-up. For instance, a typical Health Summary for a diabetic patient might show the following history of patient education:

09/19/07 DM-Nutrition, poor understanding, 10 min. (Provider Initials) GS: Pt. will include 5 veg/fruit/day

01/27/08 DM-Foot care, good understanding, 7 min. (Provider Initials) GM: Pt included 5 veg/fruit/day; GS: Pt. will walk 5 dys/wk/30min.

02/07/08 DM-Exercise, good understanding, 15 min. (Provider Initials) GS: Pt. will walk 5 dys/wk/30 min.

A reasonable interpretation of this summary tells you that this patient is trying to understand management of their diabetes and also that this patient is attempting to make some healthy behavior changes.

### SOAP Charting and the Codes

Use of the codes does not preclude writing a SOAP note on educational encounters. Whenever a health professional spends considerable time providing education in a one-on-one setting, that visit should be recorded as an independent, stand-alone visit. The primary provider can incorporate the educational information into their SOAP note and use the code to summarize the visit and get the information onto the health summary. If the patient sees both a physician and a nurse during the same visit and the nurse completes a lengthy educational encounter, two PCC forms should be used—one for the physician visit and one for the nursing visit. In that particular case the patient had two primary care encounters during the same day. Patient Education provided in the home setting, schools, or within a community setting should be documented using either the PCC PHN Form or documented on the IHS Group Preventive Services form.

## DOCUMENTING AND COMMUNICATION PATIENT & FAMILY EDUCATION

### How to Use the Codes

The Medical Records and Data Entry programs at each site determine where patient education will be entered on the PCC and other facility forms. You should check with your Medical Records and Data Entry staff to determine how they would like your facility to document patient education. **Using a stamp, over-printing on the PCC or the use of “education flow sheets” is discouraged for all disciplines and all sites.** All education should be documented directly onto the PCC, PCC+ and in the Electronic Health Record.

The educator should document the education using the following steps:

1. Log onto the PCC, PCC+, PHN PCC, or Electronic Health Record (EHR) or document the education on the PCC Group Preventive Services Form
2. Circle “Patient Education” in the section marked “Medications/Treatment/Procedures/Patient Education.”
3. If using the PCC+ or the Electronic Health Record, Patient Education is located in specific sections of the PCC+ and Electronic Health Record.
4. Begin your documentation by entering the following information:
  - ◆ STEP ONE: Write down the appropriate ICD-9 code, disease, illness or condition for which you are providing the education.
  - ◆ STEP TWO: Enter the education topic discussed (e.g. complications, nutrition, hygiene).
  - ◆ STEP THREE: Using the “teach-back method” determine the patient’s level of understand of the education provided and enter as good- (G), fair (F), or Poor (P).
    - If the patient refuses the education encounter, you document this refusal by writing an (R) for refused.
    - If you are providing education in a group (not an individual one-on-one encounter), the education provided is documented as (Gp) for Group education. A “group” is defined as more than one person. Documenting with the Group (Gp) mnemonic indicates that the group member’s level of understanding was not assessed.
  - ◆ STEP FOUR: Enter the amount of time spent educating the patient. Use specific time amounts rounded off to the minute, i.e., 3 minutes, 17 minutes.
  - ◆ STEP FIVE: Initial your entry so that you can get credit for the education provided.
  - ◆ STEP SIX: Lastly, each provider is able to encourage the patient to participate in the determination of their personal health by setting a goal for themselves. This capability is the last item documented at the end of the educational encounter. The provider assists the patient in setting a “plan of action” for themselves to aid in the improvement of their health. This documented by using (GS) for Goal Set; (GNS) for Goad Not Set, (GM) for Goal Met; and (GNM) for Goal Not Met.

**FP-TE** Tests

### FAS - FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME

<b>FAS-ADL</b>	Activities of Daily Living
<b>FAS-C</b>	Complications
<b>FAS-CM</b>	Case Management
<b>FAS-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>FAS-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>FAS-GD</b>	Growth & Development
<b>FAS-HPDP</b>	Health Promotion, Disease Prevention
<b>FAS-IR</b>	Information & Referral
<b>FAS-L</b>	Literature
<b>FAS-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
<b>FAS-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy
<b>FAS-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>FAS-P</b>	Prevention
<b>FAS-PN</b>	Prenatal
<b>FAS-SCR</b>	Screening
<b>FAS-TE</b>	Tests

### F - FEVER

<b>F-C</b>	Complications
<b>F-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>F-EQ</b>	Equipment
<b>F-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>F-HM</b>	Home Management
<b>F-L</b>	Literature
<b>F-M</b>	Medications
<b>F-TE</b>	Tests
<b>F-TX</b>	Treatment

### FF - FORMULA FEEDING

<b>FF-FS</b>	Formula Feeding Skills
<b>FF-I</b>	Information
<b>FF-L</b>	Literature
<b>FF-ME</b>	Maternal Engorgement
<b>FF-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy
<b>FF-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>FF-NJ</b>	Neonatal Jaundice
<b>FF-S</b>	Safety
<b>FF-SF</b>	Introduction to Solid Foods

### FLU - INFLUENZA

<b>FLU-AVN</b>	Avian Flu
<b>FLU-C</b>	Complications
<b>FLU-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>FLU-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>FLU-IM</b>	Immunization
<b>FLU-L</b>	Literature
<b>FLU-M</b>	Medications
<b>FLU-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy
<b>FLU-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>FLU-P</b>	Prevention

### HF - HEART FAILURE

<b>HF-AP</b>	Anatomy & Physiology
<b>HF-C</b>	Complications
<b>HF-CM</b>	Case Management
<b>HF-CUL</b>	Cultural/Spiritual
	Aspects of Health
<b>HF-DCHL</b>	Discharge Literature
<b>HF-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>HF-EQ</b>	Equipment
<b>HF-EX</b>	Exercise
<b>HF-FU</b>	Follow-up

<b>HF-HM</b>	Home Management
<b>HF-L</b>	Literature
<b>HF-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
<b>HF-M</b>	Medications
<b>HF-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy
<b>HF-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>HF-SM</b>	Stress Management
<b>HF-TE</b>	Tests

### HIV - HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS

<b>HIV-ADV</b>	Advance Directive
<b>HIV-C</b>	Complications
<b>HIV-CM</b>	Case Management
<b>HIV-CUL</b>	Cultural/Spiritual
	Aspects of Health
<b>HIV-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>HIV-EQ</b>	Equipment
<b>HIV-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>HIV-HM</b>	Home Management
<b>HIV-HPDP</b>	Health Promotion, Disease Prevention
<b>HIV-HY</b>	Hygiene
<b>HIV-L</b>	Literature
<b>HIV-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
<b>HIV-M</b>	Medications
<b>HIV-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy
<b>HIV-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>HIV-P</b>	Prevention
<b>HIV-PN</b>	Prenatal
<b>HIV-S</b>	Safety
<b>HIV-SM</b>	Stress Management
<b>HIV-TE</b>	Tests
<b>HIV-TX</b>	Treatment

### HPDP-HEALTH PROMOTION, DISEASE PREVENTION

<b>HPDP-ADL</b>	Activities of Daily Living
<b>HPDP-CAR</b>	Automobile Safety
<b>HPDP-CUL</b>	Cultural/Spiritual
	Aspects of Health
<b>HPDP-EX</b>	Exercise
<b>HPDP-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>HPDP-HY</b>	Hygiene
<b>HPDP-IR</b>	Information & Referral
<b>HPDP-L</b>	Literature
<b>HPDP-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
<b>HPDP-M</b>	Medications
<b>HPDP-N</b>	Nutrition
<b>HPDP-S</b>	Safety
<b>HPDP-SCR</b>	Screening
<b>HPDP-SM</b>	Stress Management
<b>HPDP-SX</b>	Sexuality
<b>HPDP-TE</b>	Tests

### HTN - HYPERTENSION

<b>HTN-AP</b>	Anatomy & Physiology
<b>HTN-C</b>	Complications
<b>HTN-CUL</b>	Cultural/Spiritual
	Aspects of Health
<b>HTN-DP</b>	Disease Process
<b>HTN-EQ</b>	Equipment
<b>HTN-EX</b>	Exercise
<b>HTN-FU</b>	Follow-up
<b>HTN-L</b>	Literature
<b>HTN-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
<b>HTN-M</b>	Medications
<b>HTN-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
	Therapy

## DVP - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PERPETRATOR

DVP-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
DVP-DP	Disease Process
DVP-FU	Follow-up
DVP-IR	Information & Referral
DVP-L	Literature
DVP-P	Prevention
DVP-PSY	Psychotherapy
DVP-S	Safety
DVP-SCR	Screening
DVP-SM	Stress Management
DVP-TX	Treatment

## DVV - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM

DVV-C	Complications
DVV-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
DVV-DP	Disease Process
DVV-FU	Follow-up
DVV-IR	Information & Referral
DVV-L	Literature
DVV-P	Prevention
DVV-PSY	Psychotherapy
DVV-S	Safety
DVV-SCR	Screening
DVV-SM	Stress Management
DVV-TX	Treatment

## ELD - ELDER CARE

ELD-ADV	Advance Directive
ELD-ANA	Abuse & Neglect - Adult
ELD-CM	Case Management
ELD-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
ELD-DP	Disease Process/ Aging
ELD-EQ	Equipment
ELD-EX	Exercise
ELD-FU	Follow-up
ELD-HPDP	Health Promotion Disease Prevention
ELD-H	Hygiene
ELD-L	Literature
ELD-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
ELD-M	Medications
ELD-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
ELD-N	Nutrition
ELD-S	Safety
ELD-SM	Stress Management

## EOL - END OF LIFE

EOL-ADV	Advance Directive
EOL-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
EOL-DP	Disease Process
EOL-EQ	Equipment
EOL-GP	Grieving Process
EOL-L	Literature
EOL-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
EOL-M	Medications
EOL-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
EOL-N	Nutrition
EOL-PM	Pain Management
EOL-PSY	Psychotherapy
EOL-SM	Stress Management
EOL-TX	Treatment

## EYE - EYE CONDITIONS

EYE-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
EYE-C	Complications
EYE-DP	Disease Process
EYE-FU	Follow-up
EYE-HM	Home Management
EYE-L	Literature
EYE-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
EYE-M	Medications
EYE-P	Prevention
EYE-PM	Pain Management
EYE-PRO	Procedures
EYE-S	Safety
EYE-SCR	Screening
EYE-TE	Tests
EYE-TLH	Tele-Health
EYE-TX	Treatment

## Documenting Behavior Goals

OBJECTIVE	DEFINITION	MNEMONIC
Goal Set	This is the preparation phase defined as "patient ready to change" (patient is active)	GS
Goal Not Set	This is the pre-contemplation phase defined as "patient is not thinking about change"	GNS
Goal Met	This is the action phase defined as "patient activity making the change" or maintenance phase defined as "patient is sustaining the behavior change"	GM
Goal Not Met	This is the contemplation phase defined as "patient is unsure about the change" or relapse when the patient started making the change and did not succeed due to ambivalence or other factors.	GNM

## Documenting Level of Understanding

The PCC Coders can only select "Good, Fair, Poor, Group or Refused" for the level of understanding. Remember, this section is meant for speedy documentation of brief educational encounters. If you wish to write a more lengthy narrative, please do so, on a separate PCC form using the codes to simply summarize your note. On inpatient PCCs each entry must be prefaced by a date.

### RECORDING THE PATIENT'S RESPONSE TO EDUCATION

The following "Levels of Understanding" can be used in the PCC system:

**Good (G):** Verbalizes understanding  
Able to return demonstration or teach-back correctly

**Fair (F):** Verbalizes need for more education  
Incomplete return demonstration or teach-back indicates partial understanding

**Poor (P):** Does not verbalize understanding  
Unable to return demonstration or teach-back

**Refuse (R):** Refuses education

**Group (GP):** Education provided in group. Unable to evaluate individual response

## Clinical Reporting System (CRS)

Patient education is tracked in the Clinical Reporting System by 1) Disease, 2) Education Topic discussed, 3) Level of Understanding, 4) Provider, 5) Time, and 6) Behavior Goal.

## How to Document and Code Patient Education

After using the Patient Education Protocols and providing education, the education should be documented using the codes found in this booklet. Correct documentation requires the completion of 6 elements:

1. Disease state, Illness, or Condition
2. Education Topic Discussed
3. Level of Understanding
4. Time
5. Provider Initials
6. Behavior Goal: Goal Set, Goal Met, Goal Not Met

1. **ASM** = Asthma
2. **HM** = Home Management
3. **G** = Good Understanding
4. **10 (Minutes )** = Time
5. **XYZ** = Provider Initials
6. GS: Pt. to avoid indoor triggers (tobacco smoke) = Behavior Goal

Patient Education String:

ASM-HM-G-10-XYZ-GS: Pt. to avoid indoor triggers (tobacco smoke).

## PHN PCC Encounter Form

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE PCC ENCOUNTER RECORD														
PROBLEM LIST UPDATE (Enter Problem Number / Item Number / Summary)														
Location		Remove		Change to Active		PROVIDERS		APL		DS		INSTAL / CODE		
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SUBJECTIVE / OBJECTIVE:														
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It is also important to place your provider code in the top right hand corner and to sign the bottom of the PCC form.														
Document Additional Education Topics Here														
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PSYCHO / SOCIAL / ENVIRON:														
NSG DX:		Document Health Factors and		Document Health										
SHORT TERM GOALS:		Patient Education Assessments Here		Factors Here										
LONG TERM GOALS:														
PROBLEM LIST PURPOSE OF VISIT (PRINT ONLY IN THIS SECTION; DO NOT ABBREVIATE)														
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Learning Preference - TALK Learning Preference - TALK														
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PURPOSE:														
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## CAD - CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

CAD-ADV	Advance Directive
CAD-C	Complications
CAD-CM	Case Management
CAD-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
CAD-DP	Disease Process
CAD-EQ	Equipment
CAD-EX	Exercise
CAD-F	Follow-up
CAD-L	Literature
CAD-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
CAD-M	Medications
CAD-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
CAD-N	Nutrition
CAD-P	Prevention
CAD-PM	Pain Management
CAD-PRO	Procedures
CAD-SM	Stress Management
CAD-TE	Tests
CAD-TO	Tobacco (Smoking)
CAD-TX	Treatment

## CDC - COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

CDC-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
CDC-C	Complications
CDC-DP	Disease Process
CDC-EQ	Equipment
CDC-FU	Follow-up
CDC-HM	Home Management
CDC-HY	Hygiene
CDC-L	Literature
CDC-M	Medications
CDC-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
CDC-N	Nutrition
CDC-P	Prevention
CDC-PM	Pain Management
CDC-PRO	Procedures
CDC-TE	Tests
CDC-TX	Treatment

## DM - DIABETES MELLITUS

DM-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
DM-C	Complications
DM-CM	Case Management
DM-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
DM-DP	Disease Process
DM-EQ	Equipment
DM-EX	Exercise
DM-FTC	Foot Care and Examinations
DM-FU	Follow-up
DM-HM	Home Management
DM-KID	Kidney Disease
DM-L	Literature
DM-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
DM-M	Medications
DM-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
DM-N	Nutrition
DM-P	Prevention
DM-PD	Periodontal Disease
DM-PM	Pain Management
DM-S	Safety
DM-SCR	Screening
DM-SM	Stress Management
DM-TE	Tests
DM-TX	Treatment
DM-WC	Wound Care

## CB - CHILDBIRTH

CB-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
CB-C	Complications
CB-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
CB-EQ	Equipment
CB-EX	Exercise, Relaxation And Breathing
CB-FU	Follow-up
CB-ISEC	Infant Safety
CB-L	Literature
CB-LB	Labor Signs
CB-M	Medications
CB-NJ	Neonatal Jaundice
CB-OR	Orientation
CB-PM	Pain Management
CB-PRO	Procedures, Obstetrical
CB-RO	Role of Labor and Delivery Partner/Coach
CB-TE	Tests
CB-VBAC	Vaginal Birth after Cesarean Section

## CKD - CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

CKD-ADV	Advance Directive
CKD-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
CKD-C	Complications
CKD-CM	Case Management
CKD-CUL	Cultural/Spiritual Aspects of Health
CKD-DIA	Dialysis
CKD-DP	Disease Process
CKD-EQ	Equipment
CKD-EX	Exercise
CKD-FU	Follow-up
CKD-HM	Home Management
CKD-L	Literature
CKD-LA	Lifestyle Adaptations
CKD-M	Medications
CKD-MNT	Medical Nutrition Therapy
CKD-N	Nutrition
CKD-PRO	Procedures
CKD-TE	Tests
CKD-TX	Treatment

## DIA - DIALYSIS

DIA-AP	Anatomy & Physiology
DIA-C	Complications
DIA-CM	Case Management
DIA-DP	Disease Process
DIA-EQ	Equipment
DIA-EX	Exercise
DIA-FU	Follow-up
DIA-HM	Home Management
DIA-L	Literature
DIA-M	Medications
DIA-MN	Medical Nutrition Therapy
DIA-N	Nutrition
DIA-PRO	Procedures
DIA-TE	Tests
DIA-TX	Treatment

**BF-SM** Stress Management  
**BF-T** Teething  
**BF-W** Weaning

#### **BH - BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL HEALTH**

**BH-ADL** Activities of Daily Living  
**BH-CM** Case Management  
**BH-CUL** Cultural/Spiritual Aspect of Health  
**BH-DP** Disease Process  
**BH-EX** Exercise  
**BH-FU** Follow-up  
**BH-GP** Grieving Process  
**BH-HOU** Housing  
**BH-HPDP** Health Promotion, Disease Prevention  
**BH-IB** Insurance/Benefits  
**BH-IR** Information & Referral  
**BH-L** Literature  
**BH-M** Medications  
**BH-PLC** Placement  
**BH-PSY** Psychotherapy  
**BH-RI** Patient Rights and Responsibilities  
**BH-SM** Stress Management  
**BH-TE** Tests/Screening  
**BH-TH** Therapy  
**BH-TLM** Tele-Health  
**BH-TR** Transportation

#### **CHN - CHILD HEALTH NEWBORN (0-60 DAYS)**

**CHN-CAR** Car Seats & Automobile Safety  
**CHN-ECC** Early Child Caries  
**CHN-FU** Follow-up  
**CHN-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHN-HY** Hygiene  
**CHN-I** Information  
**CHN-L** Literature  
**CHN-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHN-N** Nutrition  
**CHN-NJ** Neonatal Jaundice  
**CHN-PA** Parenting  
**CHN-S** Safety  
**CHN-SF** Introduction to Solid Foods  
**CHN-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke

#### **CHI - CHILD HEALTH INFANT (2-12 MONTHS)**

**CHI-CAR** Car Seats & Automobile Safety  
**CHI-ECC** Early Child Caries  
**CHI-FU** Follow-up  
**CHI-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHI-HY** Hygiene  
**CHI-L** Literature  
**CHI-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHI-N** Nutrition  
**CHI-PA** Parenting  
**CHI-S** Safety  
**CHI-SF** Introduction to Solid Foods  
**CHI-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke  
**CHI-W** Weaning

#### **CHT - CHILD HEALTH TODDLER (1-3 YEARS)**

**CHT-CAR** Car Seats & Automobile Safety  
**CHT-ECC** Early Child Caries  
**CHT-FU** Follow-up  
**CHT-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHT-L** Literature  
**CHT-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHT-N** Nutrition  
**CHT-PA** Parenting  
**CHT-S** Safety  
**CHT-SF** Introduction to Solid Foods  
**CHT-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke  
**CHT-W** Weaning

#### **CHP - CHILD HEALTH PRE-SCHOOL (3-5 YEARS)**

**CHP-CAR** Car Seats & Automobile Safety  
**CHP-ECC** Early Child Caries  
**CHP-FU** Follow-up  
**CHP-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHP-L** Literature  
**CHP-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHP-N** Nutrition  
**CHP-PA** Parenting  
**CHP-S** Safety  
**CHP-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke

#### **CHS - CHILD HEALTH SCHOOL AGE (5-12 YEARS)**

**CHS-AOD** Alcohol & Other Drugs  
**CHS-CAR** Car Seats & Automobile Safety  
**CHS-DC** Dental Caries  
**CHS-FU** Follow-up  
**CHS-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHS-L** Literature  
**CHS-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHS-N** Nutrition  
**CHS-PA** Parenting  
**CHS-S** Safety  
**CHS-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke  
**CHS-SOC** Social Health  
**CHS-SX** Sexuality  
**CHS-TO** Tobacco

#### **CHA - CHILD HEALTH ADOLESCENT (12-18 YEARS)**

**CHA-AOD** Alcohol & Other Drugs  
**CHA-CAR** Automobile Safety  
**CHA-DC** Dental Caries  
**CHA-FU** Follow-up  
**CHA-GD** Growth & Development  
**CHA-L** Literature  
**CHA-MNT** Medical Nutrition  
**CHA-N** Nutrition  
**CHA-PA** Parenting  
**CHA-S** Safety  
**CHA-SHS** Second-Hand Smoke  
**CHA-SOC** Social Health  
**CHA-SX** Sexuality  
**CHA-TO** Tobacco

## **Education Needs Assessment Codes**

#### **LP - Learning Preference**

-Small Group	Mnemonics
-Read	LP-GP
-Media	LP-READ
-Talk	LP-MEDIA
-Do/Practice	LP-TALK
	LP-DOIT

#### **RL - Readiness to Learn**

-Distraction	Mnemonics
-Eager	RL-DSTR
-Receptive	RL-EAGR
-Pain	RL-RCPT
-Severity of Illness	RL-PAIN
-Not Ready	RL-SVIL
-Unreceptive	RL-UNRC
-Intoxication	RL-ETOH

#### **HEALTH FACTORS:**

#### **BAR - Barriers to Learning**

-Blind	Mnemonics
-Cognitive Impairment	BAR-BLND
-Childhood Development	BAR-COGI
-Deaf	BAR-PEDI
-Dementia	BAR-DEAF
-Developmental Delay	BAR-DEMN
-Does Not Read English	BAR-DEVD
-Doesn't Speak English/Interpreter Needed	BAR-DNRE
-Emotional Stressors	BAR-INTN
-Fine Motor Skills Deficit	BAR-EMOT
-Learning Disability	BAR-FIMS
-Speaks English As a Second Language	BAR-LDIS
-Hard of Hearing	BAR-ESL
-No Barriers	BAR-HEAR
-Pediatric/Developmental	BAR-NONE
-Social Stressors	BAR-PEDI
-Values/Belief	BAR-STRS
-Visually Impaired	BAR-VALU
	BAR-VISI

## **Documenting Time**

Providers should estimate the amount of Time spent providing the patient education and document that Time using whole numbers.

## IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE 14TH EDITION

**CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CHANGE:** Reminder: The mnemonic CD for Chemical Dependency has been changed to AOD - Alcohol and Other Drugs. Questions/concerns about this change should be addressed to [Gabriel.longhi@ihs.gov](mailto:Gabriel.longhi@ihs.gov), OIT BH representative.

**CULTURAL/SPIRITUAL ASPECTS OF HEALTH (CUL):** CUL is to be used to document education/counseling that reflects an integration of the impact and influences that cultural and spiritual traditions, practices, and beliefs have on health and wellness.

**MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY (MNT):** Only Registered Dietitians are permitted to use the MNT code. Questions concerning the MNT protocols and codes should be directed to [Cecelia.butler@ihs.gov](mailto:Cecelia.butler@ihs.gov)

**WELLNESS CHANGED TO HPDP:** The mnemonic WL has been changed to HPDP - Health Promotion, Disease Prevention. Questions concerning HPDP protocols and codes should be directed to [Freda.carpitcher@ihs.gov](mailto:Freda.carpitcher@ihs.gov).

**GRIEF:** In addition to Grief with losses other than "end of life" GRIEF was added to address the education provided to patients who are grieving because of other losses. These losses may include a home, a spouse through divorce, a job, or even a favorite pet. The standards are general so they can be adapted to a wide variety of situations.

**LITERATURE (L):** The title for literature given to the patient was previously Patient Education Literature. It has been changed to Literature.

**CASE MANAGEMENT (CM):** The title previously associated with the mnemonic CM was Care Management has been changed throughout the Manual to Case Management.

### RHEUMATIC DISEASE CHANGED TO RHEUMATIC ARTHRITIS:

The PEP-C previously contained a topic and mnemonic called Rheumatic Disease (RD). This will be inactivated and the new topic/mnemonic is RA – Rheumatic Arthritis. We have plans to develop protocols for Osteoarthritis and Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. Most other "Rheumatic Diseases" can be covered with the mnemonic ATO-Autoimmune Disorders.

**HEART FAILURE CHANGE:** The PEP-C previously contained a topic and mnemonic called Congestive Health Failure (CHF). This will be inactivated and the topic/mnemonic is HF—Heart Failure. A Discharge A Discharge Literature code (HF-DCHL) was added to address the CMS requirement of discharge literature.

**SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR (SB) CHANGE:** was changed to SI - Suicidal Ideation/Gestures

**CELIAC DISEASE:** Celiac Disease (CEL) is a new code.

**DEPRESSION (DEP):** changed from Depression, Major to Depressive disorder

**Domestic Violence:** "General" education on Domestic Violence (DV) remains; but has also been expanded to include Domestic Violence Victim—(DVV) and Domestic Violence Perpetrator (DVP).

### NEW 2008 SUBTOPIC CODES:

**ISEC:** Infant Security

**LP:** LEEP

**MR:** Medication Reconciliation

### NEW 2008 PROTOCOLS:

<b>ABNG:</b>	Abuse/neglect adult/child
<b>ASLT:</b>	Assault
<b>BITE:</b>	Bites, animal/human
<b>CO:</b>	Constipation
<b>ENCOP:</b>	Encopresis
<b>FOOT:</b>	Foot, podiatry
<b>FTT:</b>	Failure to thrive
<b>LICE:</b>	Head Lice
<b>NOSE:</b>	Epistaxis
<b>OBSC:</b>	Obesity Childhood
<b>PTSD:</b>	Post traumatic stress disorder
<b>RMSF:</b>	Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
<b>SINUS:</b>	Sinus Infection
<b>STING:</b>	Insect Stings
<b>YEAST:</b>	Yeast Infection

### NEW BARRIERS TO LEARNING CODES:

Cognitive impairment has been further defined as:

<b>PEDI:</b>	Pediatric Cognitive impairment
<b>LDIS:</b>	Learning disability
<b>DEVD:</b>	Developmental Delay
<b>DEMN:</b>	dementia
<b>ESLA:</b>	An additional barrier English as a Second Language (ESLA) has also been added.

For the 14<sup>th</sup> edition, all protocols were revised to include no more than six Standards.

Please discard old PEP-C Manuals; download the new FY 2008 PEPC Manual from [www.ihs.gov](http://www.ihs.gov) and assure that your local Information Technology Department /Computer Department has installed all current patches for RPMS.

## 2008 Codes

<b>ABNG—ABUSE AND NEGLECT (CHILD OR ELDER)</b>	<b>AOD-M</b>	Medications
<b>ABNG-CM</b>	<b>AOD-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
<b>ABNG-C</b>	<b>AOD-N</b>	Therapy
<b>ABNG-CUL</b>	<b>AOD-P</b>	Nutrition
	<b>AOD-PSY</b>	Prevention
	<b>AOD-FU</b>	Psychotherapy
<b>ABNG-IR</b>	<b>AOD-S</b>	Safety
<b>ABNG-L</b>	<b>AOD-SM</b>	Information & Referral
<b>ABNG-P</b>	<b>AOD-TX</b>	Literature
<b>ABNG-PSY</b>		Stress Management
<b>ABNG-RI</b>		Treatment
		<b>BF - BREASTFEEDING</b>
	<b>BF-AP</b>	Anatomy and Physiology
	<b>BF-BB</b>	Benefits of Breastfeeding
	<b>BF-BC</b>	Breast Care
	<b>BF-BP</b>	Breastfeeding Positions
	<b>BF-CS</b>	Collection and Storage of Breast Milk
	<b>BF-EQ</b>	Equipment
	<b>BF-FU</b>	Follow-up
	<b>BF-GD</b>	Growth and Development
	<b>BF-HC</b>	Hunger Cues
	<b>BF-L</b>	Literature
	<b>BF-LA</b>	Lifestyle Adaptations
	<b>BF-M</b>	Maternal Medications
	<b>BF-MK</b>	Milk Intake
	<b>BF-MNT</b>	Medical Nutrition
		Therapy
	<b>BF-N</b>	Nutrition (Maternal)
	<b>BF-NJ</b>	Neonatal Jaundice
	<b>BF-ON</b>	Latch-on
	<b>BF-SF</b>	Introduction to Solid Foods