

Code Suppression Guidelines

Definition: Suppressing a condition from a member's Clinical Reporting Package.

Goal: Improve our health plans' reporting accuracy and provider reconfirmation rate. *Note: only one condition from each HCC category needs to be reported annually at a face-to-face visit in order to reconfirm the HCC.*

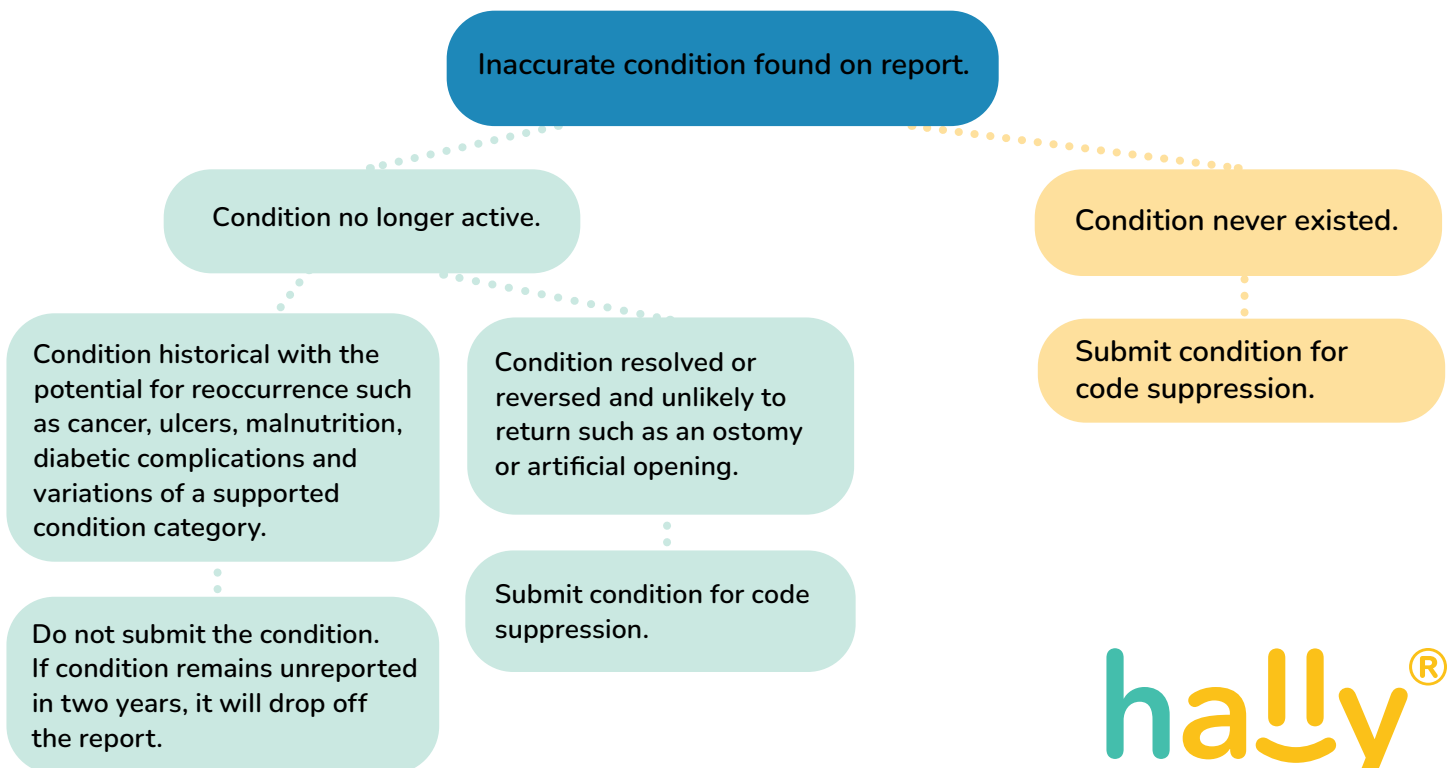
Process Background: CBI will provide all claims data associated with the condition in a 24-month time frame. Face-to-face notes that align with provided claims data and are available will be reviewed to determine if the condition meets the qualifications for code suppression.

For information on what to submit, see the table below:

Member Name	Member Number	HCC	Diagnosis Code	Code Description	Code Suppression Rationale	Provider Requesting Suppression
Prince Charming	123456789	19	E11.9	Diabetes	Prediabetes only, never diagnosed with diabetes.	Dr. Snow White

Clinicians may submit code suppression requests to CodingCounts@HealthAlliance.org.

Use the decision tree below to determine if a code suppression request is appropriate.



HCC	DX Code	DX Code Description	Reason for Suppression Request	Code Suppression Result	Result Notes
18	E11.65	DM with hyperglycemia	Hyperglycemia no longer active.	Code suppression denied.	Per notes, diabetes is active. No suppression of inactive complications as long as underlying condition is active.*
18	E11.40	DM with neuropathy	DM with polyneuropathy is a more specific DX.	Code suppression denied.	Per notes, diabetes is active. No suppression of inactive complications as long as underlying condition is active.*
111	J44.1	COPD with acute exacerbation	No longer experiencing exacerbation.	Code suppression denied.	Per notes, COPD is active. No suppression of inactive complications as long as underlying condition is active.*
12	C61	Prostate cancer	Cancer is historical.	Code suppression denied.	Cancer may return.*
19	E11.9	Diabetes	Never had diabetes, only prediabetes.	Code suppression approved.	Documentation confirms prediabetes.
188	Z93.3	Colostomy status	Colostomy reversed.	Code suppression approved.	Documentation states colostomy reversed.

*Condition will drop off report in two years if not reported.

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