



Coding and Documentation Tips for Major Depressive Disorder

ICD-10-CM classifies depression by episode and types. When documenting **Major Depressive Disorder**, it is important to document the episode (single or recurrent), the severity, (mild, moderate, severe with and without psychotic features) and the clinical status of the current episode (in partial and full remission*).

Episode		ICD-10-CM	Severity
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.0	Mild
Recurrent	(mild)	F33.0	
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.1	Moderate
Recurrent	(moderate)	F33.1	
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.2	Severe without psychotic features
Recurrent	(severe)	F33.2	
Single	Major Depressive Disorder (severe with psychotic features)	F32.3	Severe with psychotic features <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With mood-congruent psychotic symptoms • With mood-incongruent psychotic symptoms • With psychotic symptoms • Psychogenic depressive psychosis • Psychotic depression • Reactive depressive psychosis
Recurrent	Major Depressive Disorder (severe with psychotic features)	F33.3	
Recurrent	Major Depressive Disorder	F33.40	In remission, unspecified*
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.4	In partial remission*
Recurrent	Major Depressive Disorder	F33.41	
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.5	In full remission*
Recurrent	Major Depressive Disorder	F33.42	
Single	Major Depressive Disorder	F32.9	Unspecified
Recurrent	Major Depressive Disorder	F33.9	Unspecified
Other	Other Depressive Episodes	F32.8-	F32.81-Premenstrual Dysphoric disorder F32.89-Atypical depression F32.89-Post-schizophrenic depression F32.89 Single ep. of “masked” depression

Major Depressive Disorder documentation tips:

- Patients with **Major Depressive Disorder** have at least five of the following symptoms: depressed mood, loss of interest in most activities, insomnia, hypersomnia, change in appetite, low energy, poor concentration, thoughts of worthlessness, and recurrent thoughts about death or suicidal ideation.

Coding Scenario:

80-year-old female patient presenting with recurrent major depressive disorder severe without psychosis,
continue on Paxil and refer back to psychiatrist.

F33.2

Major Depressive Disorder, recurrent, severe without psychotic features