

Chapter 15: Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium

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Completed Weeks of Gestation

In ICD-10-CM, "completed" weeks of gestation refers to full weeks.

For example, if the provider documents gestation at 38 weeks and 6 days, the code for 38 weeks of gestation should be assigned, as the patient has not yet reached 39 completed weeks.

Example:

Liveborn infant delivered vaginally; 38 weeks and 6 days gestation

Code Assignment	
Z38.00: Single Liveborn Infant,	delivered vaginally
Z3A.38: 38 Weeks Gestation or	f Pregancy



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Termination of Pregnancy or Spontaneous Abortion



For hemorrhage post elective abortion, assign code O04.6, Delayed or excessive hemorrhage following (induced) termination of pregnancy.



Do not assign code O72.1, Other immediate postpartum hemorrhage, as this code should not be assigned for post abortion conditions.



Do not assign code Z33.2, Encounter for elective termination of pregnancy, when the patient experiences a complication post elective abortion.



The encounter is either uncomplicated or complicated; they are mutually exclusive and having a resultant complication, by definition, indicates that the procedure was performed.