



RABIES POST-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS

Billing & Coding Guide for North Carolina Local Health Departments

Z20.3 Diagnosis Code Contact with & (suspected) rabies exposure	90675 CPT Code Record/report vaccine product	90471 CPT Code Administration code
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1. UN-INSURED OR UNDER-INSURED CODING

- Vaccine product: report 90675 (\$0)
- State-supplied indicator: 90675-SL for un-insured or under-insured.
- Administration: 90471 (\$0) for the injectable vaccine when 90460 does not apply.
- Ages 18 and younger: 90460 (\$0) may be used when physician/QHP counseling requirements are met.
- [Request for Free State-Supplied Rabies Vaccine / Immune Globulin](#)

2. NC MEDICAID & PHPs CODING

- Vaccine product: report 90675
- Administration: 90471 for injectable vaccine when 90460 does not apply.
- Ages 0-20: append EP to the vaccine administration code.
- Ages 0-18 with qualifying face-to-face physician/QHP counseling: 90460-EP.
- Ages 19-20, or when 90460 counseling criteria are not met: 90471-EP.
- Do not append EP to 90675

3. E/M VISIT & VACCINE SAME DAY

- If a separately identifiable E/M service is performed and documented, bill it only when allowed by the payer; modifier 25 may be required.
- Giving the rabies vaccine alone does not automatically support an office visit code.
- Do not charge un-insured for state-supplied vaccine/admin

4. DIAGNOSIS & DOCUMENTATION

- Diagnosis: Z20.3 (suspected rabies exposure)
- Document exposure details and prior rabies vaccination status.
- Document vaccine product, lot, NDC, dose, route/site, date, and counseling when applicable.
- Enter rabies vaccine administration in NCIR by close of business on the day administered.
- Program Code: Immunization (IM)

Additional Resources:

American Medical Association. *CPT 2026 Professional Edition*. American Medical Association; 2025:741,746
DecisionHealth. *2026 ICD-10-CM for Physicians Expert*. DecisionHealth / HCPro; 2025:1465

<https://www.cdc.gov/rabies/hcp/clinical-care/post-exposure-prophylaxis.html>

<https://www.aapc.com/blog/91207-rabies-vaccination-saves-lives/>

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Please reach out to your regional LTAT and OCPHN consultants with coding and billing questions and for technical assistance. <https://www.dph.ncdhhs.gov/local-health-departments/contacts>