

Cytogenetic Studies

CPT: 88230, 88235, 88237, 88249, 88262, 88263, 88264, 88269, 88271, 88273, 88274, 88275, 88280, 88289, 88291

Medically Supportive ICD Codes are listed
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CMS National Coverage Policy

Coverage Indications, Limitations, and/or Medical Necessity

The term cytogenetic studies is used to describe the microscopic examination of the physical appearance of human chromosomes.

Indications and Limitations of Coverage Medicare covers these tests when they are reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of the following conditions:

- Genetic disorders (e.g., mongolism) in a fetus; (See the Medicare Benefit Policy Chapter 15, "Covered Medical and Other Health Services," §20.1)
- Failure of sexual development;
- Chronic myelogenous leukemia;
- Acute leukemias lymphoid (FAB L1-L3), myeloid (FAB M0-M7), and unclassified; or
- Myelodysplasia

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The ICD10 codes listed below are the top diagnosis codes currently utilized by ordering physicians for the limited coverage test highlighted above that are also listed as medically supportive under Medicare's limited coverage policy. **If you are ordering this test for diagnostic reasons that are not covered under Medicare policy, an Advance Beneficiary Notice form is required.**

***Note—Bolted diagnoses below have the highest utilization**

Please refer to the [Limitations or Utilization Guidelines](#) section on previous page(s) for frequency information.

Code	Description
C91.00	Acute lymphoblastic leukemia not having achieved remission
C92.10	Chronic myeloid leukemia, BCR/ABL-positive, not having achieved remission
C93.10	Chronic myelomonocytic leukemia not having achieved remission
D46.Z	Other myelodysplastic syndromes
D72.0	Genetic anomalies of leukocytes
Q99.9	Chromosomal abnormality, unspecified
Z13.79	Encounter for other screening for genetic and chromosomal anomalies
Z15.09	Genetic susceptibility to other malignant neoplasm
Z15.89	Genetic susceptibility to other disease

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