



## Diabetic Retinopathy

In ICD-9-CM, if a patient has diabetic retinopathy or has retinopathy due to diabetes, the diabetic code (category 250) must be sequenced as the principal diagnosis followed by the code for the specific type of retinopathy as a secondary diagnosis.

In ICD-10, only one code is necessary to code for ophthalmic complications of diabetes.

That code will not be found in Chapter 7, however but Chapter 4: Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00-89) which includes Diabetes, malnutrition and obesity conditions.

*Example: ICD-9-CM*

250.52	DM II Controlled
362.02	Diabetic retinopathy: proliferative diabetic retinopathy

ICD-10-CM

E11.359	Type 2 diabetes with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
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