

Upcoming Change to Maternity Care Billing

Billing for maternity care services will transition from the use of global maternity care codes to an itemized billing structure effective Jan. 1, 2027.

Under this new approach:

- Antepartum care must be reported per encounter using the appropriate Evaluation and Management (E/M) code, modifier TH '*Obstetrical treatment/services, prenatal or postpartum*' and pregnancy related diagnosis code.
- The current global maternity care codes will be deleted and will no longer be valid for billing.

Implementation Guidance: Providers should begin adopting E/M coding for antepartum visits now for any patients with an anticipated delivery date on or after Jan. 1, 2027. This will ensure compliance, minimize disruption during the transition, and avoid any timely filing issues. Global OB codes can be used for visits with patients who have an anticipated delivery **before** Jan. 1.

Additional resources are available through the AMA [here](#) and [here](#).