



## OB Coding Guidelines

Service	Code
<b>Initial Visit</b> – pregnancy diagnosis	Appropriate E&M code
<b>Ante partum care only for:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 -3 visits</li> <li>• 4 – 6 visits</li> <li>• 7 or more visits</li> </ul>	E&M code  59425  59426
<b>Global OB* - from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ante partum visit through postpartum with:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaginal delivery (if after prior cesarean)</li> <li>• Cesarean section (if following attempted vaginal delivery after prior cesarean)</li> </ul> <p><b>*Covered under the Global OB care:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services fro common conditions occurring during pregnancy such as vaginal spotting, Braxton-Hicks contractions, gestational diabetes, hyperemesis, preterm labor, and premature rupture of membranes are.</li> </ul> <p><b>Services/diagnosis paid separately outside of the Global OB package:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NST/AFI's and the first three (3) OB ultra sonograms do not require prior authorization and are payable under the global OB “authorization number” issued upon pregnancy notification.</li> <li>• Initial visit to determine pregnancy. In keeping with locally adopted coding, modifier “ZB” should be used with the appropriate E&amp;M code, to indicate this pregnancy determine visit.</li> <li>• Vaginitis; UTI; URI; Hypertension; Toxemia; Low Back/Pelvic Pain Complaints.</li> </ul>	59400 (59610)  59510 (59618)
<b>Deliver &amp; Postpartum care only, with:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• vaginal delivery (if after prior cesarean)</li> <li>• Cesarean section (if following attempted vaginal delivery after prior cesarean)</li> </ul>	59410 (59614)  59515 (59622)
<b>Delivery only,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaginal delivery (if after prior cesarean)</li> <li>• Cesarean section (if following attempted vaginal delivery after prior cesarean)</li> <li>• Assistant surgeon for cesarean section</li> </ul>	59409 (59612)  59514 (59620)  Modifier 80
<b>Postpartum Care only</b> – up to six weeks after delivery	59430
<b>Ante partum and Postpartum Care</b> – but no delivery	Appropriate ante partum & postpartum codes