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Introduction to Abbreviated Pocket Version

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12. R51 Headache attributed to psychiatric disorder
12.1 R51 Headache attributed to somatisation disorder [F45.0]
12.2 R51 Headache attributed to psychotic disorder [code for aetiology]

13. G44.847, G44.848 or G44.85 Cranial neuralgias and central causes of facial pain
13.1 G44.847 Trigeminal neuralgia
13.1.1 G44.847 Classical trigeminal neuralgia [G50.00]
13.1.2 G44.847 Symptomatic trigeminal neuralgia [G53.80 + code for aetiology]
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13.11.2 G44.8021 Headache attributed to ingestion or inhalation of a cold stimulus
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13.19 G44.847 Other cranial neuralgia or other centrally mediated facial pain [code for aetiology]
14. R51 Other headache, cranial neuralgia, central or primary facial pain
14.1 R51 Headache not elsewhere classified
14.2 R51 Headache unspecified

PART 1. THE PRIMARY HEADACHES

1. [G43] Migraine

1.1 [G43.0] Migraine without aura
A. At least 5 attacks fulfilling criteria B–D
B. Headache attacks lasting 4-72 hours (untreated or unsuccessfully treated)
C. Headache has at least 2 of the following characteristics:
   1. unilateral location
   2. pulsating quality
   3. moderate or severe pain intensity
4. aggravation by or causing avoidance of routine physical activity (eg, walking or climbing stairs)
D. During headache at least 1 of the following:
   1. nausea and/or vomiting
   2. photophobia and phonophobia
E. Not attributed to another disorder

1.2 [G43.1] Migraine with aura
A. At least 2 attacks fulfilling criterion B
B. Migraine aura fulfilling criteria B–C for one of the subforms 1.2.1-1.2.6
C. Not attributed to another disorder

1.2.1 [G43.10] Typical aura with migraine headache
A. At least 2 attacks fulfilling criteria B–D
B. Aura consisting of at least 1 of the following, but no motor weakness:
   1. fully reversible visual symptoms including positive features (eg, flickering lights, spots or lines) and/or negative features (ie, loss of vision)
   2. fully reversible sensory symptoms including positive features (ie, pins and needles) and/or negative features (ie, numbness)
   3. fully reversible dysphasic speech disturbance
C. At least two of the following:
   1. homonymous visual symptoms and/or unilateral sensory symptoms
   2. at least one aura symptom develops gradually over ≥5 minutes and/or different aura symptoms occur in succession over ≥5 minutes
   3. each symptom lasts ≥5 and ≤60 minutes
D. Headache fulfilling criteria B–D for 1.1 Migraine without aura begins during the aura or follows aura within 60 minutes
E. Not attributed to another disorder

1.2.3 [G43.104] Typical aura without headache
As 1.2.1 except:
B. Aura consisting of at least 1 of the following, with or without speech disturbance but no motor weakness:
   1. fully reversible visual symptoms including positive features (eg, flickering lights, spots or lines) and/or negative features (ie, loss of vision)
   2. fully reversible sensory symptoms including positive features (ie, pins and needles) and/or negative features (ie, numbness)
D. Headache does not occur during aura nor follow aura within 60 minutes
2. [G44.2] Tension-type headache (TTH)

2.1 [G44.2] Infrequent episodic tension-type headache
A. At least 10 episodes occurring on <1 day/month on average (<12 days/year) and fulfilling criteria B–D
B. Headache lasting from 30 minutes to 7 days
C. Headache has at least 2 of the following characteristics:
   1. bilateral location
   2. pressing/tightening (non-pulsating) quality
   3. mild or moderate intensity
   4. not aggravated by routine physical activity such as walking or climbing stairs
D. Both of the following:
   1. no nausea or vomiting (anorexia may occur)
   2. no more than one of photophobia or phonophobia
E. Not attributed to another disorder

2.2 [G44.2] Frequent episodic tension-type headache
As 2.1 except:
A. At least 10 episodes occurring on ≥1 but <15 days/month for ≥3 months (≥12 and <180 days/year)
   and fulfilling criteria B–D

2.3 [G44.2] Chronic tension-type headache
As 2.1 except:
A. Headache occurring on ≥15 days/month on average for >3 months (≥180 days/year) and fulfilling criteria B–D
B. Headache lasts hours or may be continuous
D. Both of the following:
   1. no more than one of photophobia, phonophobia or mild nausea
   2. neither moderate or severe nausea nor vomiting

3. [G44.0] Cluster headache and other trigeminal autonomic cephalalgias

3.1 [G44.0] Cluster headache
A. At least 5 attacks fulfilling criteria B–D
B. Severe or very severe unilateral orbital, supraorbital and/or temporal pain lasting 15-180 minutes if untreated
C. Headache is accompanied by at least 1 of the following:
   1. ipsilateral conjunctival injection and/or lacrimation
   2. ipsilateral nasal congestion and/or rhinorhoea
   3. ipsilateral eyelid oedema
   4. ipsilateral forehead and facial sweating
   5. ipsilateral miosis and/or ptosis
   6. a sense of restlessness or agitation
D. Attacks have a frequency from 1 every other day to 8/day
3.1.1 [G44.01] Episodic cluster headache
A. Attacks fulfilling criteria A–E for 3.1 Cluster headache
B. At least two cluster periods lasting 7-365 days and separated by pain-free remission periods of ≥1 month

3.1.2 [G44.02] Chronic cluster headache
A. Attacks fulfilling criteria A–E for 3.1 Cluster headache
B. Attacks recur over >1 year without remission periods or with remission periods lasting <1 month

PART 2. THE SECONDARY HEADACHES

A de novo headache occurring with another disorder recognised to be capable of causing it is diagnosed as secondary. A patient who has previously had a primary headache that becomes worse in close temporal relation to the occurrence of another disorder can receive two diagnoses: the primary headache diagnosis and the secondary headache diagnosis. The following factors support the use of two diagnoses: a very close temporal relation, marked worsening of the primary headache, the existence of other evidence that the other disorder can aggravate primary headache in the manner observed, and remission of the headache after cure or remission of the other disorder.

5. [G44.88] Headache attributed to head and/or neck trauma

5.2.1 [G44.30] Chronic post-traumatic headache attributed to moderate or severe head injury [S06]
A. Headache, no typical characteristics known, fulfilling criteria C–D
B. Head trauma with at least 1 of the following:
   1. loss of consciousness for >30 minutes
   2. Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) <13
   3. post-traumatic amnesia for >48 hours
   4. imaging demonstration of a traumatic brain lesion (cerebral haematoma, intracerebral/subarachnoid haemorrhage, brain contusion, skull fracture)
C. Headache develops within 7 days after head trauma or after regaining consciousness following head trauma
D. Headache persists for >3 months after head trauma
6. [G44.81] Headache attributed to cranial or cervical vascular disorder

6.4.1 [G44.812] Headache attributed to giant cell arteritis (GCA) [M31.6]

A. Any new persisting headache fulfilling criteria C–D
B. At least one of the following:
   1. swollen tender scalp artery with elevated erythrocyte sedimentation rate and/or C reactive protein
   2. temporal artery biopsy demonstrating giant cell arteritis
C. Headache develops in close temporal relation to other symptoms and signs of giant cell arteritis
D. Headache resolves or greatly improves within 3 days of high-dose steroid treatment

7. [G44.82] Headache attributed to non-vascular intracranial disorder

7.1.1 [G44.820] Headache attributed to idiopathic intracranial hypertension (IIH) [G93.2]

A. Progressive headache with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. daily occurrence
   2. diffuse and/or constant (non-pulsating) pain
   3. aggravated by coughing or straining
B. Intracranial hypertension fulfilling the following criteria:
   1. alert patient with neurological examination that either is normal or demonstrates any of the following abnormalities:
      a) papilloedema
      b) enlarged blind spot
      c) visual field defect (progressive if untreated)
      d) sixth nerve palsy
   2. increased CSF pressure (>200 mm H2O in the non-obese, >250 mm H2O in the obese) measured by lumbar puncture in the recumbent position or by epidural or intraventricular pressure monitoring
   3. normal CSF chemistry (low CSF protein is acceptable) and cellularity
   4. intracranial diseases (including venous sinus thrombosis) ruled out by appropriate investigations
   5. no metabolic, toxic or hormonal cause of intracranial hypertension
C. Headache develops in close temporal relation to increased intracranial pressure
D. Headache improves after withdrawal of CSF to reduce pressure to 120-170 mm H2O and resolves within 72
hours of persistent normalisation of intracranial pressure

7.4.1 [G44.822] Headache attributed to increased intracranial pressure or hydrocephalus caused by neoplasm [C00-D48]

A. Diffuse non-pulsating headache with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. associated with nausea and/or vomiting
   2. worsened by physical activity and/or manoeuvres known to increase intracranial pressure (such as Valsalva manoeuvre, coughing or sneezing)
   3. occurring in attack-like episodes
B. Space-occupying intracranial tumour* demonstrated by CT or MRI and causing hydrocephalus
C. Headache develops and/or deteriorates in close temporal relation to the hydrocephalus
D. Headache improves within 7 days after surgical removal or volume-reduction of tumour

*including colloid cyst of the IIIrd ventricle.

7.4.2 [G44.822] Headache attributed directly to neoplasm [C00-D48]

A. Headache with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. progressive
   2. localised
   3. worse in the morning
   4. aggravated by coughing or bending forward
B. Intracranial neoplasm shown by imaging
C. Headache develops in temporal (and usually spatial) relation to the neoplasm
D. Headache resolves within 7 days after surgical removal or volume-reduction of neoplasm or treatment with corticosteroids

8. [G44.4 or G44.83] Headache attributed to a substance or its withdrawal

8.1.3 [G44.402] Carbon monoxide (CO)-induced headache [X47]

A. Bilateral and/or continuous headache, with quality and intensity that may be related to the severity of CO intoxication, fulfilling criteria C–D
B. Exposure to carbon monoxide (CO)
C. Headache develops within 12 hours of exposure
D. Headache resolves within 72 hours after elimination of CO
8.2 [G44.41 or G44.83] Medication-overuse headache

8.2.1 [G44.411] Ergotamine-overuse headache [Y52.5]
A. Headache present on >15 days/month with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. bilateral
   2. pressing/tightening quality
   3. mild or moderate intensity
B. Ergotamine intake on ≥10 days/month on a regular basis for ≥3 months
C. Headache has developed or markedly worsened during ergotamine overuse
D. Headache resolves or reverts to its previous pattern within 2 months after discontinuation of ergotamine

8.2.2 [G44.41] Triptan-overuse headache
A. Headache present on >15 days/month with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. predominantly unilateral
   2. pulsating quality
   3. moderate or severe intensity
   4. aggravated by or causing avoidance of routine physical activity (eg, walking or climbing stairs)
   5. associated with at least 1 of the following:
      a) nausea and/or vomiting
      b) photophobia and phonophobia
B. Triptan intake (any formulation) on ≥10 days/month on a regular basis for ≥3 months
C. Headache frequency has markedly increased during triptan overuse
D. Headache reverts to its previous pattern within 2 months after discontinuation of triptan

8.2.3 [G44.410] Analgesic-overuse headache [F55.2]
A. Headache present on >15 days/month with at least 1 of the following characteristics and fulfilling criteria C–D:
   1. bilateral
   2. pressing/tightening (non-pulsating) quality
   3. mild or moderate intensity
B. Intake of simple analgesics on ≥15 days/month for ≥3 months
C. Headache has developed or markedly worsened during analgesic overuse
D. Headache resolves or reverts to its previous pattern within 2 months after discontinuation of analgesics

8.2.4 [G44.83] Opioid-overuse headache [F11.2]
A. Headache present on >15 days/month fulfilling criteria C–D
B. Opioid intake on $\geq 10$ days/month for $\geq 3$ months
C. Headache develops or markedly worsens during opioid overuse
D. Headache resolves or reverts to its previous pattern within 2 months after discontinuation of opioid

8.2.5 [G44.410] Combination medication-overuse headache [F55.2]
As 8.2.3 except:
B. Intake of combination medications on $\geq 10$ days/month for $\geq 3$ months

8.2.7 [G44.41 or G44.83] Probable medication-overuse headache* 
A. Headache fulfilling criteria A–C for any one of the subforms 8.2.1 to 8.2.6 above
B. One or other of the following:
   1. overused medication has not yet been withdrawn
   2. medication overuse has ceased within the last 2 months but headache has not so far resolved or reverted to its previous pattern

8.4 [G44.83] Headache attributed to substance withdrawal

8.4.3 [G44.83] Oestrogen-withdrawal headache [Y42.4]
A. Headache or migraine fulfilling criteria C–D
B. Daily use of exogenous oestrogen for $\geq 3$ weeks, which is interrupted
C. Headache or migraine develops within 5 days after last use of oestrogen
D. Headache or migraine resolves within 3 days

11. [G44.84] Headache or facial pain attributed to disorder of cranium, neck, eyes, ears, nose, sinuses, teeth, mouth or other facial or cranial structures

11.2.1 [G44.841] Cervicogenic headache [M99] 
A. Pain, referred from a source in the neck and perceived in one or more regions of the head and/or face, fulfilling criteria C–D
B. Clinical, laboratory and/or imaging evidence of a disorder or lesion within the cervical spine or soft tissues of the neck known to be, or generally accepted as, a valid cause of headache
C. Evidence that the pain can be attributed to the neck disorder or lesion based on at least 1 of the following:
1. demonstration of clinical signs that implicate a source of pain in the neck
2. abolition of headache following diagnostic blockade of a cervical structure or its nerve supply using placebo- or other adequate controls

D. Pain resolves within 3 months after successful treatment of the causative disorder or lesion

PART 3. CRANIAL NEURALGIAS, CENTRAL AND PRIMARY FACIAL PAIN AND OTHER HEADACHES

13. [G44.847, G44.848 or G44.85] Cranial neuralgias and central causes of facial pain

13.1.1 [G44.847] Classical trigeminal neuralgia [G50.00]
A. Paroxysmal attacks of pain lasting from a fraction of a second to 2 minutes, affecting one or more divisions of the trigeminal nerve and fulfilling criteria B–C
B. Pain has at least 1 of the following characteristics:
   1. intense, sharp, superficial or stabbing
   2. precipitated from trigger areas or by trigger factors
C. Attacks are stereotyped in the individual patient
D. There is no clinically evident neurological deficit
E. Not attributed to another disorder

13.8 [G44.847] Occipital neuralgia [G52.80]
A. Paroxysmal stabbing pain, with or without persistent aching between paroxysms, in the distribution(s) of the greater, lesser and/or third occipital nerves
B. Tenderness over the affected nerve
C. Pain is eased temporarily by local anaesthetic block of the nerve

13.18 [G44.810 or G44.847] Central causes of facial pain
13.18.4 [G44.847] Persistent idiopathic facial pain [G50.1]
A. Pain in the face, present daily and persisting for all or most of the day, fulfilling criteria B–C
B. Pain is confined at onset to a limited area on one side of the face, and is deep and poorly localised
C. Pain is not associated with sensory loss or other physical signs
D. Investigations including X-ray of face and jaws do not demonstrate any relevant abnormality