# 190.25 - Alpha-fetoprotein

#### Other Names/Abbreviations

**AFP** 

## **Description**

Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) is a polysaccharide found in some carcinomas. It is effective as a biochemical marker for monitoring the response of certain malignancies to therapy.

## HCPCS Codes (Alphanumeric, CPT<sup>©</sup> AMA)

| Code  | Description              |
|-------|--------------------------|
| 82105 | Alpha-fetoprotein; serum |

### ICD-10-CM Codes Covered by Medicare Program

The ICD-10-CM codes in the table below can be viewed on CMS' website as part of Downloads: Lab Code List, at

http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coverage/CoverageGenInfo/LabNCDsICD10.html

| Code   | Description  |
|--------|--|
| A52.74 | Syphilis of liver and other viscera                                      |
| B18.0  | Chronic viral hepatitis B with delta-agent                               |
| B18.1  | Chronic viral hepatitis B without delta-agent                            |
| B18.2  | Chronic viral hepatitis C  |
| B66.1  | Clonorchiasis  |
| B66.3  | Fascioliasis   |
| C22.0  | Liver cell carcinoma   |
| C22.1  | Intrahepatic bile duct carcinoma   |
| C22.2  | Hepatoblastoma   |
| C22.3  | Angiosarcoma of liver  |
| C22.4  | Other sarcomas of liver  |
| C22.7  | Other specified carcinomas of liver                                      |
| C22.8  | Malignant neoplasm of liver, primary, unspecified as to type             |
| C22.9  | Malignant neoplasm of liver, not specified as primary or secondary       |
| C38.1  | Malignant neoplasm of anterior mediastinum                               |
| C38.2  | Malignant neoplasm of posterior mediastinum                              |
| C38.3  | Malignant neoplasm of mediastinum, part unspecified                      |
| C38.8  | Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of heart, mediastinum and pleura |



| Code     | Description  |
|----------|--|
| C44.1321 | Sebaceous cell carcinoma of skin of right upper eyelid, including canthus              |
| C44.1322 | Sebaceous cell carcinoma of skin of right lower eyelid, including canthus              |
| C44.1391 | Sebaceous cell carcinoma of skin of left upper eyelid, including canthus               |
| C44.1392 | Sebaceous cell carcinoma of skin of left lower eyelid, including canthus               |
| C56.1    | Malignant neoplasm of right ovary  |
| C56.2    | Malignant neoplasm of left ovary   |
| C56.3    | Malignant neoplasm of bilateral ovaries  |
| C56.9    | Malignant neoplasm of unspecified ovary  |
| C62.00   | Malignant neoplasm of unspecified undescended testis                                   |
| C62.01   | Malignant neoplasm of undescended right testis   |
| C62.02   | Malignant neoplasm of undescended left testis  |
| C62.10   | Malignant neoplasm of unspecified descended testis                                     |
| C62.11   | Malignant neoplasm of descended right testis   |
| C62.12   | Malignant neoplasm of descended left testis  |
| C62.90   | Malignant neoplasm of unspecified testis, unspecified whether descended or undescended |
| C62.91   | Malignant neoplasm of right testis, unspecified whether descended or undescended       |
| C62.92   | Malignant neoplasm of left testis, unspecified whether descended or undescended        |
| C78.1    | Secondary malignant neoplasm of mediastinum  |
| C78.7    | Secondary malignant neoplasm of liver and intrahepatic bile duct                       |
| C79.60   | Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified ovary                                      |
| C79.61   | Secondary malignant neoplasm of right ovary  |
| C79.62   | Secondary malignant neoplasm of left ovary   |
| C79.63   | Secondary malignant neoplasm of bilateral ovaries                                      |
| C79.82   | Secondary malignant neoplasm of genital organs   |
| C7A.00   | Malignant carcinoid tumor of unspecified site  |
| C7A.090  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the bronchus and lung                                     |
| C7A.091  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the thymus  |
| C7A.092  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the stomach   |
| C7A.093  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the kidney  |
| C7A.094  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the foregut, unspecified                                  |
| C7A.095  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the midgut, unspecified                                   |
| C7A.096  | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the hindgut, unspecified                                  |
| C7A.098  | Malignant carcinoid tumors of other sites  |
| C7B.00   | Secondary carcinoid tumors, unspecified site   |



| Code    | Description   |
|---------|---|
| C7B.01  | Secondary carcinoid tumors of distant lymph nodes                   |
| C7B.02  | Secondary carcinoid tumors of liver                                 |
| C7B.03  | Secondary carcinoid tumors of bone                                  |
| C7B.04  | Secondary carcinoid tumors of peritoneum                            |
| C7B.09  | Secondary carcinoid tumors of other sites                           |
| C7B.1   | Secondary Merkel cell carcinoma                                     |
| C7B.8   | Other secondary neuroendocrine tumors                               |
| D13.4   | Benign neoplasm of liver  |
| D13.5   | Benign neoplasm of extrahepatic bile ducts                          |
| D37.6   | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of liver, gallbladder and bile ducts |
| D64.0   | Hereditary sideroblastic anemia                                     |
| D64.1   | Secondary sideroblastic anemia due to disease                       |
| D64.2   | Secondary sideroblastic anemia due to drugs and toxins              |
| D64.3   | Other sideroblastic anemias   |
| D81.810 | Biotinidase deficiency  |
| D81.82  | Activated Phosphoinositide 3-kinase Delta Syndrome [APDS]           |
| D84.1   | Defects in the complement system                                    |
| E78.2   | Mixed hyperlipidemia  |
| E83.00  | Disorder of copper metabolism, unspecified                          |
| E83.01  | Wilson's disease  |
| E83.09  | Other disorders of copper metabolism                                |
| E83.10  | Disorder of iron metabolism, unspecified                            |
| E83.110 | Hereditary hemochromatosis  |
| E83.111 | Hemochromatosis due to repeated red blood cell transfusions         |
| E83.118 | Other hemochromatosis   |
| E83.119 | Hemochromatosis, unspecified  |
| E83.19  | Other disorders of iron metabolism                                  |
| E84.19  | Cystic fibrosis with other intestinal manifestations                |
| E84.9   | Cystic fibrosis, unspecified  |
| E88.01  | Alpha-1-antitrypsin deficiency                                      |
| E88.02  | Plasminogen deficiency  |
| G89.3   | Neoplasm related pain (acute) (chronic)                             |
| 125.84  | Coronary atherosclerosis due to calcified coronary lesion           |
| 174.01  | Saddle embolus of abdominal aorta                                   |



| Code    | Description   |
|---------|---|
| 174.09  | Other arterial embolism and thrombosis of abdominal aorta |
| 174.10  | Embolism and thrombosis of unspecified parts of aorta     |
| 174.19  | Embolism and thrombosis of other parts of aorta           |
| J98.59  | Other diseases of mediastinum, not elsewhere classified   |
| K70.2   | Alcoholic fibrosis and sclerosis of liver                 |
| K70.30  | Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver without ascites              |
| K70.31  | Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver with ascites                 |
| K73.0   | Chronic persistent hepatitis, not elsewhere classified    |
| K73.1   | Chronic lobular hepatitis, not elsewhere classified       |
| K73.2   | Chronic active hepatitis, not elsewhere classified        |
| K73.8   | Other chronic hepatitis, not elsewhere classified         |
| K73.9   | Chronic hepatitis, unspecified                            |
| K74.00  | Hepatic fibrosis, unspecified                             |
| K74.01  | Hepatic fibrosis, early fibrosis                          |
| K74.02  | Hepatic fibrosis, advanced fibrosis                       |
| K74.60  | Unspecified cirrhosis of liver                            |
| K74.69  | Other cirrhosis of liver                                  |
| K75.4   | Autoimmune hepatitis                                      |
| K76.81  | Hepatopulmonary syndrome                                  |
| K76.82  | Hepatic encephalopathy                                    |
| N44.1   | Cyst of tunica albuginea testis                           |
| N44.2   | Benign cyst of testis                                     |
| N44.8   | Other noninflammatory disorders of the testis             |
| N50.3   | Cyst of epididymis  |
| N50.811 | Right testicular pain                                     |
| N50.812 | Left testicular pain                                      |
| N50.819 | Testicular pain, unspecified                              |
| N50.82  | Scrotal pain  |
| N50.89  | Other specified disorders of the male genital organs      |
| N53.12  | Painful ejaculation                                       |
| N53.8   | Other male sexual dysfunction                             |
| N53.9   | Unspecified male sexual dysfunction                       |
| Q53.111 | Unilateral intraabdominal testis                          |
| Q53.112 | Unilateral inguinal testis                                |



| Code    | Description   |
|---------|---|
| Q53.13  | Unilateral high scrotal testis  |
| Q53.211 | Bilateral intraabdominal testes   |
| Q53.212 | Bilateral inguinal testes   |
| Q53.23  | Bilateral high scrotal testes   |
| R39.83  | Unilateral non-palpable testicle  |
| R39.84  | Bilateral non-palpable testicles  |
| R91.1   | Solitary pulmonary nodule   |
| R91.8   | Other nonspecific abnormal finding of lung field  |
| R93.1   | Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of heart and coronary circulation                     |
| R93.2   | Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of liver and biliary tract                            |
| R93.5   | Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of other abdominal regions, including retroperitoneum |
| R93.811 | Abnormal radiologic findings on diagnostic imaging of right testicle                          |
| R93.812 | Abnormal radiologic findings on diagnostic imaging of left testicle                           |
| R93.813 | Abnormal radiologic findings on diagnostic imaging of testicles, bilateral                    |
| R93.819 | Abnormal radiologic findings on diagnostic imaging of unspecified testicle                    |
| R93.89  | Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of other specified body structures                    |
| R97.8   | Other abnormal tumor markers  |
| Z17.0   | Estrogen receptor positive status [ER+]   |
| Z17.1   | Estrogen receptor negative status [ER-]   |
| Z85.05  | Personal history of malignant neoplasm of liver   |
| Z85.43  | Personal history of malignant neoplasm of ovary   |
| Z85.47  | Personal history of malignant neoplasm of testis  |
| Z86.002 | Personal history of in-situ neoplasm of other and unspecified genital organs                  |
| Z86.003 | Personal history of in-situ neoplasm of oral cavity, esophagus and stomach                    |
| Z86.004 | Personal history of in-situ neoplasm of other and unspecified digestive organs                |

#### **Indications**

AFP is useful for the diagnosis of hepatocellular carcinoma in high-risk patients (such as alcoholic cirrhosis, cirrhosis of viral etiology, hemochromatosis, and alpha 1-antitrypsin deficiency) and in separating patients with benign hepatocellular neoplasms or metastases from those with hepatocellular carcinoma and, as a non-specific tumor associated antigen, serves in marking germ cell neoplasms of the testis, ovary, retro peritoneum, and mediastinum.

### ICD-10-CM Codes That Do Not Support Medical Necessity

Any ICD-10-CM code not listed in either of the ICD-10-CM covered or non-covered sections.

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### **Sources of Information**

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