

Clinical Policy: Visual Evoked Potential

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Description

Visual evoked potential (VEP), also called visual evoked response, evaluates the visual nervous system pathways from the eyes to the occipital cortex of the brain. VEP involves stimulation of the retina and optic nerve with a shifting checkerboard pattern or flash method. This external visual stimulus causes measurable electrical activity in neurons within the visual pathways. This policy describes the medical necessity requirements for visual evoked potential/response.

See clinical policy CP.MP.14 Evoked Potential Testing.

Policy/Criteria

I. It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Envolve Vision, Inc.[®] (Envolve) that VEP is **medically necessary** for the following indications:

- A. Multiple Sclerosis;
- B. Optic neuritis or retrobulbar neuritis;
- C. Ischemic optic neuropathy;
- D. Neoplasms compressing the anterior visual pathways, including optic nerve gliomas, meningiomas, craniopharyngiomas, giant aneurysms, and pituitary tumors;
- E. Optic neuropathy;
- F. Optic nerve injury and/or atrophy;
- G. Exclusion of hysterical blindness; or
- H. Evaluation of visual loss in those unable to communicate.

II. It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Envolve that VEP is not **medically necessary** for the following indications:

- A. Glaucoma or glaucoma suspect
- B. Amblyopia
- C. Diabetes

Background

VEP studies may be used to assess sight, especially in infants and children, to diagnose disorders of the optic nerve and to detect tumors or other problems affecting the brain and spinal cord. The response is recorded by electroencephalography electrodes located over the occiput. The evoked responses measured over multiple trials are amplified and averaged, producing a characteristic waveform. With pattern-shift VEP, the waveform normally appears as a straight line with a single positive peak (100 msec after stimulus presentation). Abnormalities in this characteristic waveform may be seen in a variety of pathologic processes involving the optic nerve and its radiations. The peak latency of the pattern-reversal visual evoked potential is a sensitive measure of conduction delay in the optic nerve caused by demyelination. Pattern-shift VEP is a highly sensitive means of documenting lesions in the visual system. VEP amplitude

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decreased significantly in ischemic optic neuropathies while latency delay was more significant in patients with optic neuritis. VEP is especially useful when the disease process is in subclinical stages.

Coding Implications

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CPT® Codes	Description
95930	Visual evoked potential (VEP) checkerboard or flash testing, central nervous system except glaucoma, with interpretation and report

ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes that Support Coverage Criteria

+ Indicates a code requiring an additional character

ICD-10-CM Code	Description
A39.82	Meningococcal retrobulbar neuritis
C70.0	Malignant neoplasm of cerebral meninges
C70.1	Malignant neoplasm of spinal meninges
C72.0	Malignant neoplasm of spinal cord
C72.1	Malignant neoplasm of cauda equina
C72.31	Malignant neoplasm of right optic nerve
C72.32	Malignant neoplasm of left optic nerve
C79.31	Secondary malignant neoplasm of brain
C79.32	Secondary malignant neoplasm of cerebral meninges
D32.0	Benign neoplasm of cerebral meninges
D32.1	Benign neoplasm of spinal meninges
D33.0	Benign neoplasm of brain supratentorial
D33.1	Benign neoplasm of brain infratentorial
D33.3	Benign neoplasm of cranial nerves
D33.4	Benign neoplasm of spinal cord
D33.7	Benign neoplasm of other specified parts of central nervous system
D42.0	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of cerebral meninges
D42.1	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of spinal meninges
D43.0	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of brain supratentorial
D43.1	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of brain infratentorial

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D43.4	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of spinal cord
D44.3	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of pituitary gland
D44.4	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of craniopharyngeal duct
D44.5	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of pineal gland
D49.6	Neoplasm of unspecified behavior of brain
G23.0	Hallervorden-Spatz disease
G23.1	Progressive supranuclear ophthalmoplegia (Steele-Richardson-Olszewski)
G23.2	Striatonigral degeneration
G35	Multiple sclerosis
G36.0	Neuromyelitis optica
G36.1	Acute and subacute hemorrhagic leukoencephalitis (Hurst)
G37.0	Diffuse sclerosis of central nervous system
G37.1	Central demyelination of corpus callosum
G37.2	Central pontine myelinolysis
G37.3	Acute transverse myelitis in demyelinating disease of central nervous system
G37.4	Subacute necrotizing myelitis of central nervous system
G37.5	Concentric sclerosis [Balo] of central nervous system
G90.3	Multi-system degeneration of the autonomic nervous system
H35.54	Dystrophies primarily involving the retinal pigment epithelium
H46.01	Optic papillitis right eye
H46.02	Optic papillitis left eye
H46.03	Optic papillitis bilateral
H46.11	Retrobulbar neuritis right eye
H46.12	Retrobulbar neuritis left eye
H46.13	Retrobulbar neuritis bilateral
H46.2	Nutritional optic neuropathy
H46.3	Toxic optic neuropathy
H47.011	Ischemic optic neuropathy right eye
H47.012	Ischemic optic neuropathy left eye
H47.013	Ischemic optic neuropathy bilateral
H47.021	Hemorrhage in optic nerve sheath right eye
H47.022	Hemorrhage in optic nerve sheath left eye
H47.023	Hemorrhage in optic nerve sheath bilateral
H47.031	Optic nerve hypoplasia right eye
H47.032	Optic nerve hypoplasia left eye
H47.033	Optic nerve hypoplasia bilateral

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H47.11	Papilledema associated with increased intracranial pressure
H47.12	Papilledema associated with decreased ocular pressure
H47.13	Papilledema associated with retinal disorder
H47.141	Foster-Kennedy syndrome right eye
H47.142	Foster-Kennedy syndrome left eye
H47.143	Foster-Kennedy syndrome bilateral
H47.211	Primary optic atrophy right eye
H47.212	Primary optic atrophy left eye
H47.213	Primary optic atrophy bilateral
H47.291	Other optic atrophy right eye
H47.292	Other optic atrophy left eye
H47.293	Other optic atrophy bilateral
H47.311	Coloboma of optic disc right eye
H47.312	Coloboma of optic disc left eye
H47.313	Coloboma of optic disc bilateral
H47.321	Drusen of optic disc right eye
H47.322	Drusen of optic disc left eye
H47.323	Drusen of optic disc bilateral
H47.331	Pseudopapilledema of optic disc right eye
H47.332	Pseudopapilledema of optic disc left eye
H47.333	Pseudopapilledema of optic disc bilateral
H47.41	Disorders of optic chiasm due to inflammatory disorders
H47.42	Disorders of optic chiasm due to neoplasm
H47.43	Disorders of optic chiasm due to vascular disorders
H47.511	Disorders of visual pathways due to inflammatory disorders right side
H47.512	Disorders of visual pathways due to inflammatory disorders left side
H47.521	Disorders of other visual pathways due to neoplasm right side
H47.522	Disorders of other visual pathways due to neoplasm left side
H47.531	Disorders of visual pathways due to vascular disorders right side
H47.532	Disorders of visual pathways due to vascular disorders left side
H47.611	Cortical blindness right side of brain
H47.612	Cortical blindness left side of brain
H47.621	Disorders of visual cortex due to inflammatory disorders right side of brain
H47.622	Disorders of visual cortex due to inflammatory disorders left side of brain
H47.631	Disorders of visual cortex due to neoplasm right side of brain
H47.632	Disorders of visual cortex due to neoplasm left side of brain
H47.641	Disorders of visual cortex due to vascular disorders right side of brain

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H47.642	Disorders of visual cortex due to vascular disorders left side of brain
H53.11	Day blindness
H53.121	Transient visual loss right eye
H53.122	Transient visual loss left eye
H53.123	Transient visual loss bilateral
H53.131	Sudden visual loss right eye
H53.132	Sudden visual loss left eye
H53.133	Sudden visual loss bilateral
H53.15	Visual distortions of shape and size
H53.16	Psychophysical visual disturbances
H53.2	Diplopia
H53.31	Abnormal retinal correspondence
H53.32	Fusion with defective stereopsis
H53.33	Simultaneous visual perception without fusion
H53.34	Suppression of binocular vision
H53.411	Scotoma involving central area right eye
H53.412	Scotoma involving central area left eye
H53.413	Scotoma involving central area bilateral
H53.421	Scotoma of blind spot area right eye
H53.422	Scotoma of blind spot area left eye
H53.423	Scotoma of blind spot area bilateral
H53.431	Sector or arcuate defects right eye
H53.432	Sector or arcuate defects left eye
H53.433	Sector or arcuate defects bilateral
H53.461	Homonymous bilateral field defects right eye
H53.462	Homonymous bilateral field defects left eye
H53.47	Heteronymous bilateral field defects
H53.481	Generalized contraction of visual field right eye
H53.482	Generalized contraction of visual field left eye
H53.483	Generalized contraction of visual field bilateral
H53.51	Achromatopsia
H53.52	Acquired color vision deficiency
H53.53	Deuteranomaly
H53.54	Protanomaly
H53.55	Tritanomaly
H53.61	Abnormal dark adaptation curve
H53.62	Acquired night blindness

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H53.63	Congenital night blindness
H53.71	Glare sensitivity
H53.72	Impaired contrast sensitivity
H54.3	Unqualified visual loss, both eyes
H54.60	Unqualified visual loss, one eye, unspecified
H54.61	Unqualified visual loss, right eye, normal vision left eye
H54.62	Unqualified visual loss, left eye, normal vision right eye
R44.1	Visual hallucinations
R48.3	Visual agnosia
S04.011A	Injury of optic nerve right eye initial encounter
S04.011D	Injury of optic nerve right eye subsequent encounter
S04.011S	Injury of optic nerve right eye sequela
S04.012A	Injury of optic nerve left eye initial encounter
S04.012D	Injury of optic nerve left eye subsequent encounter
S04.012S	Injury of optic nerve left eye sequela
S04.02XA	Injury of optic chiasm initial encounter
S04.02XD	Injury of optic chiasm subsequent encounter
S04.02XS	Injury of optic chiasm sequela
S04.031A	Injury of optic tract and pathways right eye initial encounter
S04.031D	Injury of optic tract and pathways right eye subsequent encounter
S04.031S	Injury of optic tract and pathways right eye sequela
S04.032A	Injury of optic tract and pathways left eye initial encounter
S04.032D	Injury of optic tract and pathways left eye subsequent encounter
S04.032S	Injury of optic tract and pathways left eye sequela
S04.041A	Injury of visual cortex right eye initial encounter
S04.041D	Injury of visual cortex right eye subsequent encounter
S04.041S	Injury of visual cortex right eye sequela
S04.042A	Injury of visual cortex left eye initial encounter
S04.042D	Injury of visual cortex left eye subsequent encounter
S04.042S	Injury of visual cortex left eye sequela
S06.31AA	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.31AD	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.31AS	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.310A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness initial encounter

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S06.310D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.310S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.311A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.311D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.311S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.312A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.312D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.312S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.313A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.313D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.313S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.314A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.314D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.314S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours sequela
S06.315A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.315D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.315S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.316A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.316D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter

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S06.316S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.319A	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.319D	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.319S	Contusion and laceration of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.32AA	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.32AD	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.32AS	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.320A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.320D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.320S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.321A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.321D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.321S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.322A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.322D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.322S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.323A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.323D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.323S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.324A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.324D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours subsequent encounter

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S06.324S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours sequela
S06.325A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.325D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.325S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.326A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.326D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.326S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.329A	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.329D	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.329S	Contusion and laceration of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.330A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.330D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.330S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.331A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.331D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.331S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.332A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.332D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.332S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela

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S06.333A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.333D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.333S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.334A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.334D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.334S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 to 24 hours sequela
S06.335A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.335D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.335S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.336A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.336D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.336S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.339A	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.339D	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.339S	Contusion and laceration of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.34AA	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.34AD	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.34AS	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.340A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness initial encounter

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S06.340D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.340S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.341A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.341D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.341S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.342A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.342D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.342S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.343A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.343D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.343S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.344A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.344D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.344S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.345A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.345D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.345S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.346A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.346D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter

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S06.346S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.349A	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.349D	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.349S	Traumatic hemorrhage of right cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.35AA	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.35AD	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.35AS	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.350A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.350D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.350S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.351A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.351D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.351S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.352A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.352D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.352S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.353A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.353D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.353S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.354A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.354D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter

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S06.354S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.355A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.355D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.355S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.356A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.356D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.356S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.359A	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.359D	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.359S	Traumatic hemorrhage of left cerebrum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.360A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.360D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.360S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.361A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.361D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.361S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.362A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.362D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.362S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela

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S06.363A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.363D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.363S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.364A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.364D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.364S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
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S06.369A	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.369D	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.369S	Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum unspecified with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.37AA	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.37AD	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.37AS	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.370A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum without loss of consciousness initial encounter

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S06.370D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.370S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.371A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.371D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.371S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.372A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.372D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.372S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.373A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.373D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.373S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.374A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.374D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.374S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.375A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.375D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.375S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.376A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.376D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.376S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.379A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.379D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.379S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of cerebellum with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.38AA	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of brainstem with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.38AD	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of brainstem with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.38AS	Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of brainstem with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.380A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.380D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.380S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.381A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.381D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.381S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.382A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.382D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.382S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.383A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.383D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.383S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.384A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.384D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.384S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.385A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.385D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.385S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.386A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.386D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.386S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.389A	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.389D	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.389S	Contusion laceration and hemorrhage of brain stem with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.4XAA	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.4XAD	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.4XAS	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.4X0A	Epidural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.4X0D	Epidural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.4X0S	Epidural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.4X1A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.4X1D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.4X1S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.4X2A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.4X2D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.4X2S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.4X3A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.4X3D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.4X3S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.4X4A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.4X4D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.4X4S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.4X5A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.4X5D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.4X5S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.4X6A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.4X6D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.4X6S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.4X9A	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.4X9D	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.4X9S	Epidural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.5XAA	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.5XAD	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.5XAS	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.5X0A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.5X0D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.5X0S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.5X1A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.5X1D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.5X1S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.5X2A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.5X2D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.5X2S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.5X3A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hours to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.5X3D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.5X3S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.5X4A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.5X4D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter
S06.5X4S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.5X5A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.5X5D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.5X5S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.5X6A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.5X6D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.5X6S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.5X9A	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.5X9D	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.5X9S	Traumatic subdural hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela
S06.6XAA	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, initial encounter
S06.6XAD	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, subsequent encounter
S06.6XAS	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness status unknown, sequela
S06.6X0A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage without loss of consciousness initial encounter
S06.6X0D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage without loss of consciousness subsequent encounter
S06.6X0S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage without loss of consciousness sequela
S06.6X1A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less initial encounter
S06.6X1D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less subsequent encounter
S06.6X1S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less sequela
S06.6X2A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.6X2D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.6X2S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 31 minutes to 59 minutes sequela
S06.6X3A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hours to 5 hours 59 minutes initial encounter
S06.6X3D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes subsequent encounter
S06.6X3S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 1 hour to 5 hours 59 minutes sequela
S06.6X4A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours initial encounter
S06.6X4D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours subsequent encounter

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ICD-10-CM Code	Description
S06.6X4S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours sequela
S06.6X5A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level initial encounter
S06.6X5D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level subsequent encounter
S06.6X5S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours with return to pre-existing conscious level sequela
S06.6X6A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving initial encounter
S06.6X6D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving subsequent encounter
S06.6X6S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness greater than 24 hours without return to pre-existing conscious level with patient surviving sequela
S06.6X9A	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration initial encounter
S06.6X9D	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration subsequent encounter
S06.6X9S	Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of unspecified duration sequela

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