

| CODE | DESCRIPTION | DEFINITION |
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| 001–507 | County at diagnosis | Valid Texas FIPS code |
| 998 | Outside state/country & code is unknown | Known town, city, state, or country of residence, but county code not known AND a resident outside the state of Texas (must meet all criteria) |
| 999 | Unknown county | The county is unknown and not documented in the patient's medical record |

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (NAACCR ITEM #2320) (FORDS pg. 37)

Description

Identifies the patient by social security number.

Explanation

This item is used by the TCR in internal processes such as linking for resolution of duplicate primaries and consolidation.

Coding Instructions

1. Every effort should be made to obtain the social security number. Research all resources from your facility for this information.
2. Enter the patient's nine-digit social security number in this field.
3. If the social security number is unavailable or unknown, enter all 9's in this field.
4. A patient's Medicare number may not be identical to the person's social security number.
5. Do not put dashes or slashes in this field.

Note: *Social security numbers are used for Medicare benefits. Suffix A on a social security number indicates the number is the patient's Medicare number. Other suffixes identify another person's Medicare number under which the patient may be entitled to receive benefits. Take caution to enter the patient's social security number and not the spouse's or guardian's number.*

The following are not allowed:

- First 3 digits= 000 or 666
- Fourth and fifth digits= 00
- Last four digits= 0000
- First digit= 8 or 9 (except for 9999999999)