

# *Addenda* *Coding for Diabetes*

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## ***HHS Key Characteristics***

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**Severe hyperglycemia**  
**Marked dehydration**  
**Neurological changes**  
**Absent or slight ketones**

## ***HHS Signs & Symptoms***

**Decreased mentation or confusion**  
**Lethargy**  
**Focal neuro signs- looks like stroke**  
**Stupor, coma**

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## ***HHS Clinical Findings***

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- **BG > 600 mg/dL**
- **Ketone bodies absent or small**
- **Serum osmolality > 320 mOsm/L**
- **Fluid deficit 6-12 liters**
- **Serum K+ low, normal, high**
- **Na+ low, normal, high**

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## ***HHS Goals of Therapy***

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Correct fluid deficit**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Balance electrolytes**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Normalize blood glucose**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prevent reoccurrence**

## **HHS Management**

**Insulin**

**Fluids**

**Potassium**

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## ***Coding for Diabetes***

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### **Acute Complications of Diabetes**

**Hypoglycemia = BG less than 70 mg/dL**

**Hypoglycemia in a Diabetic Patient:**

- Diabetic Hypoglycemic Coma - 250.3**
- Diabetic Hypoglycemia – 250.8**
- “hypoglycemic shock” – 250.8**

**Hypoglycemia in a NON-Diabetic:**

- Hypoglycemia Coma – 251.0**
- Hypoglycemia, unspecified – 251.2**

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## Resources

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- ♦ American Diabetes Association Clinical Practice Recommendations: Diabetes Care, Supplement 1, Jan 2008. [www.diabetes.org/diabetescare](http://www.diabetes.org/diabetescare)
- ♦ The Art and Science of Diabetes Self-Management Education: A Desk Reference for Healthcare Professionals. 2006, American Association of Diabetes Educators, Chicago, Illinois.
- ♦ Diabetes Today: An Update for Healthcare Professionals manual. 2006, ediba Diabetes Center of Excellence, Oklahoma City, OK.
- ♦ ACE position statement PDF link  
<http://www.aace.com/meeting/consensus/icc/ACEPosiSTAT.pdf>

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## Resource/Reference List

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- **Diabetes Statistics**  
[http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/pdf/ndfs\\_2005.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/pdf/ndfs_2005.pdf)
- **TMF Health Quality Institute**, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization for Texas  
[www.hpmp.tmfhqi.net](http://www.hpmp.tmfhqi.net)
- **Archives of Internal Medicine**, January 28, 2008, "Step by Step Medical Coding," 2008 by C



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