

## Internal Medicine Coding Alert

### **Reader question: Failure to Thrive 779.34 or 783.41 Depends on Age**

Question: What diagnosis should we submit for a newborn who is not gaining enough weight?

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Answer: The correct choice depends on the child's age. For an infant 28 days of age or younger, report 779.34 (Failure to thrive in newborn). If the infant is older than 28 days, select 783.41 (Failure to thrive).