BRAIN BLEED

(Intracranial Hemorrhage, Cerebral Hemorrhage, Ruptured Aneurysm, Subarachnoid Hemorrhage, Subdural/Epidural Hemorrhage)

All Classes
(Updated 01/25/2023)

DISEASE/CONDITION	EVALUATION DATA	DISPOSITION
A.	Required recovery periods:	DEFER
Any history of a Spontaneous intracranial hemorrhage not due to trauma*	 If craniotomy performed: Two (2) years Subarachnoid hemorrhage: One (1) year 	Submit information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance
(Examples may include ruptured AVM,	After any required recovery period, submit the following for FAA review:	
Subarachnoid hemorrhage [SAH], Subdural, or epidural hemorrhage)	A current, detailed neurological evaluation that meets <u>FAA</u> <u>Specifications for Neurologic</u> <u>Evaluation</u> generated from a clinic visit with the treating neurologist (vascular neurologist preferred) no more than 90 days before the AME exam.	
(*If due to TRAUMA, See - Traumatic Brain Injury section, subdural hematoma, epidural hematoma, or subarachnoid hemorrhage.)	 Brain imaging to verify bleed has resolved, performed no more than 12 months before the AME exam. If not already performed, a current test is required. MRI brain to include sequences sensitive to the presence of hemosiderin. 	
	4. CT angiography (CTA) or MRA or angiography. (Head required. Neck if clinically necessary) • Submit BOTH the interpretive report on paper and imaging on CD in DICOM readable format (there must be a file named 'DICOMDIR' in the root directory of the CD-ROM). Please verify the CD will display the images before sending. You may wish to retain a copy of all films as a safeguard if lost in the mail.	

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	 5. Hospital records for each hospitalization related to this condition. It must include information on surgeries and procedures. Admission History and Physical (H&P); Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/ambulance run sheet (if applicable); Hospital consultant report(s) (such as neurology, cardiology, internal medicine, or other specialists); Hospital discharge summary. (Typically, the patient portal notes or after visit summary (AVS) that can be printed from an electronic medical record are NOT sufficient for pilot medical certification purposes.); Lab report(s) including all drug or alcohol testing performed; Operative/procedure report(s); Pathology report(s); and Radiology reports. The interpretive report(s) AND IMAGES of all diagnostic imaging (CT Scan, MRI, X-ray, ultrasound, or others) performed. DO NOT submit miscellaneous hospital records such as flowsheets, nursing notes, physician orders, or medication administration records. 	
	Note: After review of the submitted information, a Neuropsychological (NP) evaluation that meets that meets FAA Specifications for Neuropsychological Evaluations for Potential Neurocognitive Impairment from a clinic visit with the	

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If a shunt was placed – see the Hydrocephalus section.	
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