

DISABILITY CODING FRAMEWORK

CODE	WASHINGTON GROUP	CATEGORY OF DISABILITY	DESCRIPTION OF DISABILITY
01	Sensory Disability	Blind	No functional vision
02	Sensory Disability	Partially-sighted	Functional vision with limitations that may be reduced through the use of electronic or manual low-vision devices. (Vision cannot be fully corrected through the use of prescription lenses.)
03	Sensory Disability	Deaf (capital D)	Little or no hearing: generally makes use of South African Sign Language and typically subscribes to Deaf Culture.
04	Sensory Disability	deaf (lower case d)	Little or no hearing, does not make use of Sign Language as a medium of communication, makes use of various means of communication such as speech, speech reading/cochlear implants or a combination of these. Aligns with impairment/disability and the hearing world.
05	Sensory Disability	Hearing Impaired/Hard of Hearing/Deafened	None, little or some hearing, generally makes use of appropriate hearing technology e.g. cochlear implants, hearing aids, and other assistive listening/living devices and typically uses verbal communication.
06	Sensory Disability	Deaf-blind	No functional vision and no hearing.
07	Specific Learning/ Developmental Disability	Neurodevelopmental Disabilities	Intellectual disabilities, communication disabilities, language and speech disability (e.g. stuttering), autism spectrum disorder, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), specific learning disabilities
08	Psychosocial/Psychiatric Disabilities	Psychosocial Disability	Such as depression, schizophrenia
09	Physical Disability	Physical Disability	Loss of a limb or makes use of crutches, wheelchair user, person with cerebral palsy
10	Physical Disability	Chronic Illness	A long standing medical condition/illness that affects daily functioning. Such as chronic heart condition, chronic diabetes, cancer
11	Any disability not mentioned above	Give details	Any disability not mentioned above
12	Physical Disability of a Temporary Nature	Temporary Disability: disability of no longer than 6 months duration	Physical disability of a temporary nature