Learning Disabilities

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People with Learning Disabilities have a significant, lifelong, condition which started before adulthood, which affected their development and which means they need help to:

- Understand new and complex information (impaired intelligence)
- Learn skills, and
- Cope independently, (impaired social functioning)

Learning Disabilities is also known as intellectual disability, or in the past mental retardation/handicap. The latter terms are outdated, stigmatising and can cause offence, so should *not* be used.

Learning Disabilities should not be confused with specific, (rather than global), learning difficulties, such as dyslexia. People with a learning disability are not a homogenous group, some live independently with little support, (mild learning disability), others require support with all aspects of daily living, (severe or profound learning disability). All patients with profound, severe or moderate Learning Disabilities should be included. Patients with a mild Learning Disability who have additional health needs and would benefit from reasonable adjustments should also be coded.

Adults with Learning Disabilities are more likely to have complex health needs compared to the rest of the population. They have a high level of unmet need and are less likely to identify their own health needs and seek help for them.

Code	Term]
918e.	On learning disability register	QOF
Eu814	[X]Moderate learning disability	QOF
Eu815	[X]Severe learning disability	QOF
Eu816	[X]Mild learning disability	QOF
Eu817	[X]Profound learning disability	QOF

Recommended codes for Data Entry

Note - Learning Disabilities is no longer a part of QOF but specifications with a codeset continue to be produced to help maintenance of registers.

Other conditions which indicate a learning disability

The following list gives the most common syndromes that lead to learning disabilities and can be used for audit purposes when identifying patients with Learning Disabilities. There are many other syndromes and illnesses not listed that may also sometimes lead to a Learning Disability.

Diagnosis of Downs Syndrome

	PJ0	Down's syndrome - trisomy 21
	PJ00.	Trisomy 21, meiotic nondisjunction
PJ0%	PJ01.	Trisomy 21, mosaicism
	PJ02.	Trisomy 21, translocation
	PJ0z.	Down's syndrome NOS

Other congenital conditions

Other congenit	Other congenital conditions		
C1zy2	Cerebral gigantism (Sotos syndrome)		
C3272	Niemann-Pick disease		
C3723	Lesch-Nyhan syndrome		
C3751	Mucopolysaccharidosis, type 1		
C3752	Mucopolysaccharidosis, type II		
Eu842	[X]Rett's syndrome		
F1013	Tay-Sach's disease		
F1306	AicardiGoutieres syndrome		
PJ1z.	Patau's syndrome NOS		
PJ2z.	Edward's syndrome NOS		
PJ31.	Cri-du-chat syndrome		
PJ333	Smith-Magenis syndrome		
PJyy4	Fragile X syndrome		
PKy1.	Laurence-Moon-Biedl syndrome		
PKy4.	William syndrome		
PKy60	Amsterdam dwarf		
PKy64	Seckel syndrome		
PKy73	Rubenstein - Taybi syndrome		
PKy94	Zellweger's syndrome		
PKyz5	Happy puppet syndrome		
PK80.	Fetal alcohol syndrome		
C3004	Hartnup disease		
C3753	Mucopolysaccharidosis type III		
F1016	Sandhoff disease		
P21	Microcephalus		
PKy92	Menke's syndrome		

LD Assessments

9HB3.	Learning disability health assessment	
9HB5.	Learning disability annual health assessment	

Exception coding

	9hL	Exception reporting: learning disability quality indicators	
9hL%	9hL0.	Excepted from learning disability quality indicators: informed dissent	
		Excepted from learning disability quality indicators: patient unsuitable	

Other codes for Learning Disability for search and audit purposes but not now recommended for data entry due to outdated terminology.

	E3		Mental retardation	
	E30		Mild mental retardat. IQ 50-70	
	E31		Other specified mental retardation	
	E310.		Moderate mental ret. IQ 35-49	
E3%	E311.		Severe mental retard. IQ 20-34	QOF
	E312.		Profound mental retardat.IQ<20	
	E31z.		Other specified mental retardation NOS	-
	E3y		Mental retardation OS	l
	E3z		Mental retardation NOS	
	Eu7		[X]Mental retardation	
		Eu70.	[X]Mild mental retardation	
		Eu700	[X]Mild retard no/min beh imp	
	Eu70%	Eu701	[X]Mild retard signifbeh imp	
		Eu70y	[X]Mild retard othbehav imp	
		Eu70z	[X]Mild retard no mention beh	
		Eu71.	[X]Moderate mental retardation	-
Eu7%	Eu71%	Eu710	[X]Mod retard no/min behav imp	QOF
		Eu711	[X]Mod retard signifbeh imp	-
		Eu71y	[X]Mod retard othbehav impair	
		Eu71z	[X]Mod retard no mention behav	
		Eu72.	[X]Severe mental retardation	-
	Eu72%	Eu720	[X]Sev retard no/min behav imp	
	LU1 Z /0	Eu721	[X]Sev retard signifbehav imp	
		Eu72y	[X]Sev retard othbehav impair	

	Eu72z	[X]Sev retard no mention beh
	Eu73.	[X]Profound mental retardation
	Eu730	[X]Prof retard no/min beh imp
Eu73%	Eu731	[X]Prof retard sign beh impair
	Eu73y	[X]Prof retard othbeh impair
	Eu73z	[X]Prof retard no mention beh
	Eu7y.	[X]Other mental retardation
l	Eu7y0	[X]Oth retard no/min behav imp
Eu7y%	Eu7y1	[X]Oth retard sign beh impair
	Eu7yy	[X]Oth retard othbeh impair
	Eu7yz	[X]Oth retard no mention beh
	Eu7z.	[X]Unspecif mental retardation
Eu7z%	Eu7z0	[X]Unsp retard no/min beh imp
	Eu7z1	[X]Unsp retard sign beh impair
	Eu7zy	[X]Unsp retard othbeh impair
	Eu7zz	[X]Unsp retard no mention beh