

CELIAC DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING

The rating schedule requires objective confirmation of the diagnosis.



WHAT TO DOCUMENT

DIGESTIVE CLAIM FILE

SEROLOGY	Appropriate antibody testing Preserve the test name, result, reference range, and whether the veteran was consuming gluten.	BIOPSY	Endoscopy with biopsy Record villous atrophy and other pathology findings.
DIFFERENTIAL	Rule out look-alikes Distinguish celiac disease from IBS, GERD, non-celiac sensitivity, infection, and other malabsorption causes.	SPECIALIST	Gastroenterology assessment Use a clinician to integrate symptoms, testing, diet response, deficiencies, and competing explanations.

