

Practice Enhancement Through Clinically Correct Coding

2024 Curriculum

The Basic Evaluation and Management Guidelines for the Office Setting

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2 of 3 components :

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2024 Evaluation and Management **Office Coding** (MDM Based on 2 of 3 Components)

E/M LEVEL, MDM, {time} (99201 deleted, 99211 N/A)	NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY OF PROBLEMS ADDRESSED	AMOUNT AND/OR COMPLEXITY OF DATA TO BE REVIEWED AND ANALYZED (Each unique test, order, or doc. reviewed counts)	RISK OF COMPLICATIONS , and/or MORBIDITY/MORTALITY OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT
99202 {15} 99212 {10} Straightfwd MDM	MINIMAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One self-limited or minor prob. 	Minimal but usually none	Minimal risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing/treatment.
99203 {30} 99213 {20} Low MDM	LOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 or more self-limited or minor prob. OR 1 chronic stable illness OR 1 acute, uncomplicated illness/injury OR 1 stable, acute illness 	<p style="text-align: center;">(Must Meet 1 of 2 Categories)</p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests and documents (any 2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source Review results of EACH unique test Order of EACH unique test <p>OR</p> <p><u>Category 2:</u> Assessment requiring an independent historian</p>	Low risk for undergoing additional testing/treatment Consider: OTC drugs, non-contrast imaging, PT/OT, skin bx, minor surgery
99204 {45} 99214 {30} Moderate MDM	MODERATE NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or treatment of side effects 2 or more chronic stable illnesses New prob w/ uncertain prognosis Acute illness with systemic symptoms Acute complicated injury 	<p style="text-align: center;">(Must Meet 1 of 3 Categories: Moderate)</p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests, documents, historian (any 3)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> *Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source *Review results of EACH unique test *Order of EACH unique test Assessment requiring an independent historian. <p>OR</p> <p><u>Category 2:</u> Independent interpretation of tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independent interpretation of tests performed by another provider (not separately billed) 	Moderate risk of morbidity from additional tests/treatment Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rx mgmt., Discussion regarding minor surgery w/ patient or procedure risk factors Discussion regarding elective major surgery w/o risk factors Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health
99205 {60} 99215 {40} High MDM	HIGH NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, or treatment side effects Acute/chronic illness that may pose threat to life or bodily function 	<p>OR</p> <p><u>Category 3:</u> Discussion of management or test interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss mgmt./interpretation of test with another provider (not separately billed) <p style="text-align: center;">(Must Meet 2 of 3 Categories: High)</p>	High risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment Consider: Drug therapy req. intensive monitoring for toxicity, Decision regarding hospital care (admit/escalate), Decision regarding elective major surgery w/ patient and/or procedure risk factors, Decision to de-escalate care/decide DNR due to poor prog, IV controlled substance use

2023 Evaluation and Management **OFFICE Consults** Coding (MDM Based on 2 of 3 Components)

E/M LEVEL, MDM, {time} (99241 deleted)	NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY OF PROBLEMS ADDRESSED	AMOUNT AND/OR COMPLEXITY OF DATA TO BE REVIEWED AND ANALYZED (Each unique test, order, or doc. reviewed counts)	RISK OF COMPLICATIONS, and/or MORBIDITY/MORTALITY OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT
99242 {20} Straightfwd MDM	MINIMAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One self-limited or minor prob. 	Minimal but usually none	Minimal risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing/treatment.
99243 {30} Low MDM	LOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 or more self-limited or minor prob. OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 chronic stable illness OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 acute, uncomplicated illness/injury OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 stable, acute illness 	<p style="text-align: center;">(Must Meet 1 of 2 Categories)</p> <u>Category 1:</u> Tests and documents (any 2) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source Review results of EACH unique test Order of EACH unique test OR <u>Category 2:</u> Assessment requiring an independent historian	Low risk for undergoing additional testing/treatment Consider: OTC drugs, non-contrast imaging, PT/OT, skin bx, minor surgery
99244 {40} Moderate MDM	MODERATE NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or treatment of side effects 2 or more chronic stable illnesses New prob w/ uncertain prognosis Acute illness with systemic symptoms Acute complicated injury 	<p style="text-align: center;">(Must Meet 1 of 3 Categories: Moderate)</p> <u>Category 1:</u> Tests, documents, historian (any 3) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> *Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source *Review results of EACH unique test *Order of EACH unique test Assessment requiring an independent historian. OR <u>Category 2:</u> Independent interpretation of tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independent interpretation of tests performed by another provider (not separately billed) 	Moderate risk of morbidity from additional tests/treatment Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rx mgmt., Discussion regarding minor surgery w/ patient or procedure risk factors Discussion regarding elective major surgery w/o risk factors Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health
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2024 Prolonged Service Threshold Crosswalk

Primary E&M (time-based)	CMS code*	Time Threshold (min)*	CPT code#	Time Threshold (min)#
Est OV (99215)	+G2212	69	+99417	55
New OV (99205)	+G2212	89	+99417	75
Initial Hosp. (99223)	+G3016	90	+99418	90
Subsequent Hosp. (99233)	+G3016	65	+99418	65
Admit/Discharge (99236)	+G3016@	110	+99418	100
Init Nursing Facility (99306)	+G3017@@	95	+99418	65
Subsequent NF (99310)	+G3017@@	85	+99418	60
New Home/residence (99345)	+G3018@@@	140	+99417	90
Est Home/residence (99350)	+G3018@@@	110	+99417	75
Cognitive Assessment (99483)	+G2212@@@	100	+99417	75

*Time for primary E/M plus one unit of 15-min add-on code. Table 24, CMS Final Rule, 2023. #AMA CPT 2024 Professional Ed. p30-33.

@ Time on day of care, plus 3d after; @@ Time on day before, day of and 3d after care; @@@Time on 3 days before, day of, and 7d after care