

OUTPATIENT DOCUMENTATION CARD

1995 E&M DOCUMENTATION GUIDE - NEW OUTPATIENT EVALUATIONS

	Attending CPT Code	99201	99202	99203	99204	99205
	Consultation CPT Code	99241	99242	99243	99244	99245
	Time (face to face) – Attending*	10	20	30	45	60
	Time (face to face) – Consult*	15	30	40	60	80
	Chief Complaint	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Category 1 History	HPI Elements	1-3	1-3	4	4	4
	HX: Past Medical, Social, Family	N/A	N/A	1 of 3	3 of 3	3 of 3
	Review of Systems	N/A	1	2-9	10+	10+
Category 2 Exam	Body Areas AND/OR Organ Systems (OS)	1	2-7	2-7 with at least 1 in detail	8+ OS or 1 complete OS	8+ OS or 1 complete OS
Category 3 MDM	Complexity	Straight Forward	Straight Forward	Low	Moderate	High

Service Level is based on documentation in 3 of 3 categories

*Time based coding requires > 50% counseling/coordination of care; must document total time

For any billing questions, including use of time-based codes, call Compliance at 275-1609.
Confidentially report improper, unethical or noncompliant activity to 756-8888.

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	CPT Code	99211	99212	99213	99214	99215
	Time (face to face)*	5	10	15	25	40
	Chief Complaint	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Category 1 History	HPI Elements	Physician presence may not be required	1-3	1-3	4	4
	HX: Past Medical, Social, Family		N/A	N/A	1 of 3	2 of 3
	Review of Systems		N/A	1	2-9	10+
Category 2 Exam	Body Areas AND/OR Organ Systems (OS)	Same as above	1	2-7	2-7 with at least 1 in detail	8+ OS or 1 complete (OS)
Category 3 MDM	Complexity	Same as above	Straight Forward	Low	Moderate	High

Service Level is based on documentation in 2 of 3 categories

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MEDICAL NECESSITY of a service is the overarching criterion, in addition to CPT Code requirements, in determining service level.

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