

## 2024 Nursing Facility and Home or Residence E/M Audit Tool

**Provider Name & ID:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pt. Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**D.O.S.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Code Billed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Auditor's Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Complaint:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Nature and severity of presenting problem)*

**Medically appropriate history and exam documented?**     **Yes**     **No**

**Time (Time may include any of the following (when not reported separately)):**

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| • Preparing to see the patient such as reviewing the pt.'s record, review of tests, etc. | • Obtaining and/or reviewing separately obtained history   |
| • Performing a medically appropriate history and examination                             | • Counseling and educating the patient, family, and/or caregiver   |
| • Ordering prescription medications, tests, or procedures                                | • Referring and communicating with other health care providers when not separately reported during the visit |
| • Documenting clinical information in the electronic or other health record              | • Independently interpreting results when not separately reported  |
| • Communicating results to the patient/family/caregiver                                  | • Coordinating the care of the patient when not separately reported  |

**Yes**     **No**        **Face-to-face visit**

**Yes**     **No**        **Time was documented for this encounter**

\_\_\_\_\_ **minutes**    **Total amount of time documented**

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**Circle the Level of Service Based on Total Time Per Documentation (Total Time on the Date of the Encounter)**

| Total Time                      | Straightforward-level visit               | Low-level visit   | Moderate-level visit  | High-level visit                          |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Nursing home (initial)          |   | 99304: 25 minutes must be met or exceeded                     | 99305: 35 minutes must be met or exceeded                           | 99306: 50 minutes must be met or exceeded |
| Nursing home (subsequent)       | 99307: 10 minutes must be met or exceeded | 99308: 20 minutes must be met or exceeded                     | 99309: 30 minutes must be met or exceeded                           | 99310: 45 minutes must be met or exceeded |
| Nursing home (discharge)        |   | 99315: 30 min or less total time on the date of the encounter | 99316: more than 30 minutes total time on the date of the encounter |   |
| Home or Residence (New)         | 99341: 15 minutes must be met or exceeded | 99342: 30 minutes must be met or exceeded                     | 99344: 60 minutes must be met or exceeded                           | 99345: 75 minutes must be met or exceeded |
| Home or Residence (Established) | 99347: 20 minutes must be met or exceeded | 99348: 30 minutes must be met or exceeded                     | 99349: 40 minutes must be met or exceeded                           | 99350: 60 minutes must be met or exceeded |

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To qualify for a particular level of MDM, two of the three elements for that level of MDM must be met or exceeded

## Elements of Medical Decision Making

| Code                             | Level of MDM<br>(Based on 2 of 3<br>Elements of MDM) | Number and Complexity of Problems<br>Addressed   | Amount and/or Complexity of Data to be Reviewed and Analyzed<br><i>*Each unique test, order, or document contributes to the combination of 2 or<br/>combination of 3 in Category 1 below</i>   | Risk of Complications and/or Morbidity or Mortality of<br>Patient Management   |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  |
| 99307<br>99341<br>99347          | Straightforward                                      | <b>Minimal</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 self-limited or minor problem</li> </ul>   | Minimal or none  | <b>Minimal risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment</b><br><i>Examples only:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rest</li> <li>• Superficial dressings</li> </ul>  |
| 99304<br>99308<br>99342<br>99348 | Low  | <b>Low</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 or more self-limited or minor problems; or</li> <li>• 1 stable chronic illness; or</li> <li>• 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury or</li> <li>• 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury requiring hospital inpatient or observation level of care</li> </ul>   | <b>Limited</b><br><i>(Must meet the requirements of at least 1 of 2 categories)</i><br><b>Category 1: Tests and documents</b><br><b>Any combination of 2 of the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of prior external notes(s) from each unique source*;</li> <li>• review of the result(s) of each unique test*;</li> <li>• ordering of each unique test*</li> </ul> <b>or</b><br><b>Category 2: Assessment requiring an independent historian(s)</b><br><i>(For the categories of independent interpretation of tests and discussion of management or test interpretation, see moderate or high)</i>  | <b>Low risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment</b><br><i>Examples only:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over the counter drugs</li> <li>• Physical Therapy</li> <li>• Minor surgery with no identified risk factors</li> <li>• IV fluids without additives</li> </ul>   |
| 99305<br>99309<br>99344<br>99349 | Moderate   | <b>Moderate</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment;</li> </ul> <b>or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 or more stable chronic illnesses;</li> </ul> <b>or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis;</li> </ul> <b>or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 acute illness with systemic symptoms;</li> </ul> <b>or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 acute complicated injury</li> </ul> | <b>Moderate</b><br><i>(Must meet the requirements of at least 1 out of 3 categories)</i><br><b>Category 1: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Any combination of 3 from the following:</b></li> <li>• Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source*;</li> <li>• Review of the result(s) of each unique test*;</li> <li>• Ordering of each unique test*;</li> <li>• Assessment requiring an independent historian(s)</li> </ul> <b>or</b><br><b>Category 2: Independent interpretation of tests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent interpretation of a test performed by another physician/other qualified health care professional (not separately reported);</li> </ul> <b>or</b><br><b>Category 3: Discussion of management or test interpretation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician/other qualified health care professional/appropriate</li> </ul>                                   | <b>Moderate risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment</b><br><i>Examples only:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescription drug management</li> <li>• Decision regarding minor surgery with identified patient or procedure risk factors</li> <li>• Decision regarding elective major surgery without identified patient or procedure risk factors</li> <li>• Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health</li> </ul>   |
| 99306<br>99310<br>99345<br>99350 | High   | <b>High</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 or more chronic illnesses with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment;</li> </ul> <b>or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 acute or chronic illness or injury that poses a threat to life or bodily function</li> </ul>   | <b>Extensive</b><br><i>(Must meet the requirements of at least 2 out of 3 categories)</i><br><b>Category 1: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Any combination of 3 from the following:</b></li> <li>• Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source*;</li> <li>• Review of the result(s) of each unique test*;</li> <li>• Ordering of each unique test*;</li> <li>• Assessment requiring an independent historian(s)</li> </ul> <b>or</b><br><b>Category 2: Independent interpretation of tests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent interpretation of a test performed by another physician/other qualified health care professional (not separately reported);</li> </ul> <b>or</b><br><b>Category 3: Discussion of management or test interpretation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician/other qualified health care professional/appropriate source (not separately reported)</li> </ul> | <b>High risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment</b><br><i>Examples only:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity</li> <li>• Decision regarding elective major surgery with identified patient or procedure risk factors</li> <li>• Decision regarding emergency major surgery</li> <li>• Decision regarding hospitalization or escalation of hospital level of care</li> <li>• Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis</li> <li>• Parenteral controlled substances</li> </ul> |

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