

CCA Outpatient E & M Services

New & Established Patient Encounter Requirements

				LEVEL/DEFINITION					
New Patients	TIME				99201	99202	99203	99204	99205
Total time spent on the day of the encounter (Mins)					N/A	15-29	30-44	45-59	60-74
Level of MDM	No. & Complexity of Problems	Complexity of Data Reviewed	Risk of Morbidity/Mortality						
Level of Medical Decision Making (MDM) requires 2 of 3 Elements	High	High 1 or more chronic illnesses/severe exacerbation, or 1 acute/chronic illness/injury threatens life/ bodily function	Extensive (2 of 3) Cat.1 -Test, docs. or independent historians, or ▪ Review external notes ▪ Review unique test ▪ Order unique test ▪ Assessment, Independent historian Cat.2 – Independent interpretation of test, or Cat.3 – Discuss Mgt/Test interpretation	High High risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment <u>Examples:</u> ▪ Prescription drug mgt. ▪ Decision for minor surgery w/o risk ▪ Decision for major surgery w/risk ▪ Dx or treat limited by social determinants	N/A				Level 5
	Moderate	Moderate 1 or more chronic illnesses w/exacerbation, or 2 or more stable chronic illnesses, or 1 undiagnosed new problem/ uncertain prognosis, or 1 acute illness with systemic symptoms; or 1 acute complicated injury	Moderate (1 of 3) Cat.1 -Test, docs. or independent historians, or ▪ Review external notes ▪ Review unique test ▪ Order unique test ▪ Assessment, Independent historian Cat.2 – Independent interpretation of test, or Cat.3 – Discuss Mgt/Test interpretation	Moderate Moderate risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment <u>Examples:</u> ▪ Prescription drug mgt. ▪ Decision for minor surgery w/o risk ▪ Decision for major surgery w/risk ▪ Dx or treat limited by social determinants	N/A			Level 4	
	Low	Low 2 or more self-limited or minor problems; or 1 stable chronic illness; or 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury	Limited (1 of 2) Cat. 1 - Test & Docs (any 2) or ▪ Review external notes ▪ Review unique test ▪ Order unique test Cat. 2 - Assessment requiring independent historian(s)	Low Low risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment	N/A		Level 3		
	Straight Forward	Minimal One (1) self-limited or minor problem	Minimal or none	Minimal Minimal risk of morbidity	N/A	Level 2			
Level of MDM	No. & Complexity of Problems	Complexity of Data Reviewed	Risk of Morbidity/Mortality						
Established Patients	TIME				99211	99212	99213	99214	99215
Total time spent on the day of the encounter (Mins)					N/A	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-54
Presenting Problem Severity →					MIN.	SL/M	LS/MS	MS/HS	MS/HS
SL/M – Self-Limiting/Minor LS –Low Severity MS –Moderate Severity HS – High Severity									