

## E&M **Hospital IP and OBS Initial/Subsequent** Coding (MDM Based on 2 of 3 Components)

E/M LEVEL, MDM, {time in min.}	NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY OF <u>PROBLEMS</u> ADDRESSED	AMOUNT AND/OR COMPLEXITY OF <u>DATA</u> TO BE REVIEWED AND ANALYZED (Each unique test, order, or doc. reviewed counts)	<u>RISK</u> OF COMPLICATIONS, and/or MORBIDITY/MORTALITY OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT
99221 {40} 99231 {25}  99234 {45} Low MDM	<b>LOW</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 or more self-limited or minor prob.</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 chronic stable illness</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 acute, uncomplicated illness/injury</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 acute, uncomplicated illness/injury requiring IP or OBS level of care</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 stable, acute illness</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Must Meet 1 of 2 Categories)</b></p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests and documents (any 2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source</li> <li>Review results of EACH unique test</li> <li>Order of EACH unique test</li> </ol> <b>OR</b> <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
99222 {55} 99232 {35}  99235 {70} Moderate MDM	<b>MODERATE NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or treatment of side effects</li> <li>2 or more chronic stable illnesses</li> <li>New prob w/ uncertain prognosis</li> <li>Acute illness with systemic symptoms</li> <li>Acute complicated injury</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Must Meet 1 of 3 Categories: Moderate)</b></p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests, documents, historian (any 3)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source</li> <li>*Review results of EACH unique test</li> <li>*Order of EACH unique test</li> <li>Assessment requiring an independent historian.</li> </ol> <b>OR</b> <p><u>Category 2:</u> Independent interpretation of tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Independent interpretation of tests performed by another provider (not separately billed)</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <p><u>Category 3:</u> Discussion of management or test interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss mgmt./interpretation of test with another provider (not separately billed)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Must Meet 2 of 3 Categories: High)</b></p>	Moderate risk of morbidity from additional tests/treatment Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rx mgmt.,</li> <li>Discussion regarding minor surgery w/ patient or procedure risk factors</li> <li>Discussion regarding elective major surgery w/o risk factors</li> <li>Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health</li> </ul>
99223 {75} 99233 {50}  99236 {85} High MDM	<b>HIGH NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, or treatment side effects</li> <li>Acute/chronic illness that may pose threat to life or bodily function</li> </ul>		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

# 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

# E&M **IP/OBS Hosp Consults** Coding (MDM Based on 2 of 3 Components) – **NOT CMS/Medicare**

E/M LEVEL, MDM, {time} (99251 deleted)	NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY OF <u>PROBLEMS</u> ADDRESSED	AMOUNT AND/OR COMPLEXITY OF <u>DATA</u> TO BE REVIEWED AND ANALYZED (Each unique test, order, or doc. reviewed counts)	<u>RISK</u> OF COMPLICATIONS, and/or MORBIDITY/MORTALITY OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT
99252 {35} Straightfwd MDM	MINIMAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One self-limited or minor prob.</li> </ul>	Minimal but usually none	Minimal risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing/treatment.
99253 {45} Low MDM	LOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 or more self-limited or minor prob.</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 chronic stable illness</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 acute, uncomplicated illness/injury</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 stable, acute illness</li> </ul>	<p><b>(Must Meet 1 of 2 Categories)</b></p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests and documents (any 2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source</li> <li>Review results of EACH unique test</li> <li>Order of EACH unique test</li> </ol> <b>OR</b> <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
99254 {60} Moderate MDM	MODERATE NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or treatment of side effects</li> <li>2 or more chronic stable illnesses</li> <li>New prob w/ uncertain prognosis</li> <li>Acute illness with systemic symptoms</li> <li>Acute complicated injury</li> </ul>	<p><b>(Must Meet 1 of 3 Categories: Moderate)</b></p> <p><u>Category 1:</u> Tests, documents, historian (any 3)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Review of prior external note(s) from EACH unique source</li> <li>*Review results of EACH unique test</li> <li>*Order of EACH unique test</li> <li>Assessment requiring an independent historian.</li> </ol> <b>OR</b> <p><u>Category 2:</u> Independent interpretation of tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Independent interpretation of tests performed by another provider (not separately billed)</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <p><u>Category 3:</u> Discussion of management or test interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss mgmt./interpretation of test with another provider (not separately billed)</li> </ul> <p><b>(Must Meet 2 of 3 Categories: High)</b></p>	Moderate risk of morbidity from additional tests/treatment Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rx mgmt.,</li> <li>Discussion regarding minor surgery w/ patient or procedure risk factors</li> <li>Discussion regarding elective major surgery w/o risk factors</li> <li>Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health</li> </ul>
99255 {80} High MDM	HIGH NUMBER AND COMPLEXITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, or treatment side effects</li> <li>Acute/chronic illness that may pose threat to life or bodily function</li> </ul>	<p><b>(Must Meet 2 of 3 Categories: High)</b></p> <p><u>Category 3:</u> Discussion of management or test interpretation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss mgmt./interpretation of test with another provider (not separately billed)</li> </ul>	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