

# EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT(E/M)

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Code	Level of MDM	Number and Complexity of PROBLEMS Addressed	RISK of Complications and/or Morbidity or Mortality of Patient Management
<b>99202 / 99212</b>	<b>Straightforward</b> 99202 - 15 min 99212 - 10 min	<b>Low</b> <b>1 or more self-limited or minor problem</b>  "A problem that runs a definite and prescribed course, is transient in nature, and is not likely to permanently alter health status."	<b>Minimal risk</b> of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment
<b>99203 / 99213</b>	<b>Low</b> 99203 - 30 min 99213 - 20 min	<b>Low</b> <b>2 or more self-limited or minor problems</b> "A problem that runs a definite and prescribed course, is transient in nature, and is not likely to permanently alter health status." <b>OR</b>  <b>1 stable, chronic illness</b> "A problem with an expected duration of at least one year or until the death of the patient. For the purpose of defining chronicity, conditions are treated as chronic whether or not stage or severity changes" <b>OR</b>  <b>1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury</b> "A recent or new short-term problem with low risk of morbidity for which treatment is considered. There is little to no risk of mortality with treatment, and full recovery without functional impairment is expected." <b>OR</b>  <b>1 stable, acute illness</b> "A problem that is new or recent for which treatment has been initiated. The patient is improved and, while resolution may not be complete, is stable with respect to this condition. <b>OR</b>  <b>1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury requiring hospital inpatient or observation level of care</b> "A recent or new short-term problem with low risk of morbidity for which treatment is required. There is little to no risk of mortality with treatment, and full recovery without functional impairment is expected. The treatment required is delivered in a hospital inpatient or observation level setting."	<b>Low risk</b> of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment
<b>99204 / 99214</b>	<b>Moderate</b> 99204 - 45 min 99214 - 30 min	<b>Moderate</b> <b>1 or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment</b> "A chronic illness that is acutely worsening, poorly controlled, or progressing with an intent to control progression and requiring additional supportive care or requiring attention to treatment for side effects but that does <b>not</b> require consideration of hospital level of care." <b>OR</b>  <b>2 or more stable, chronic illnesses</b> "A problem with an expected duration of at least one year or until the death of the patient. For the purpose of defining chronicity, conditions are treated as chronic whether or not stage or severity changes" <b>OR</b>  <b>1 undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis</b> "A problem in the differential diagnosis that represents a condition likely to result in a high risk of morbidity without treatment." <b>OR</b>  <b>1 acute illness with systemic symptoms</b> "An illness that causes systemic symptoms and has a high risk of morbidity without treatment." <b>OR</b>  <b>1 acute, complicated injury</b> "An injury which requires treatment that includes evaluation of body systems that are not directly part of the injured organ, the injury is extensive, or the treatment options are multiple <b>and/or</b> associated with risk of morbidity."	<b>Moderate risk</b> of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment  <b>Examples only:</b> <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> <b>** Risk also includes medical decision making related to the need to initiate or forego further testing, treatment and/or hospitalization.</b>
<b>99205 / 99215</b>	<b>High</b> 99205 - 60 min 99215 - 40 min	<b>High</b> <b>1 or more chronic illnesses with SEVERE exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment</b> "The severe exacerbation or progression of a chronic illness or severe side effects of treatment that have significant risk of morbidity and may require hospital level of care." <b>OR</b>  <b>1 acute or chronic illness or injury that poses a threat to life or bodily function</b> "An acute illness with systemic symptoms, an acute complicated injury, or a chronic illness or injury with exacerbation and/or progression or side effects of treatment, that poses a threat to life or bodily function in the near term without treatment."	<b>High risk</b> of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment  <b>Examples only:</b> <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 care</li> <li>• Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis</li> <li>• Decision regarding parenteral controlled substances</li> </ul>