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Beginning January 1, 2019, there are changes to the procedure codes and protocols to submitting claims for psychological and neuropsychological testing services. Network providers will submit Service Authorization Requests for psychological and neuropsychological testing services using the new psychological testing and neuropsychological testing procedure codes: 96130 for Psychological Testing Evaluation Services, 96132 for Neuropsychological Testing Evaluation Services, and 96136 for Administration and Scoring.

Network providers must document and submit a claim for Psychological Testing Evaluation services separately from a claim for Administration and Scoring of tests. Network providers must document and submit a claim for the Psychological Testing Evaluation Services on the day the services are provided. Network provider must submit a claim for the Administration and Scoring of Tests on the day of the administration and scoring indicating which tests were administered. All claims should continue to be claimed by indicating the exact numbers of minutes the service took. Please refer to the table for details.

New Codes	Descriptions
96130	Psychological Testing Evaluation Services: integration, interpretation, clinical decision making, report writing, and interactive feedback to client, family member(s), caregiver(s) by licensed PhD/PsyD or trained MD/DO (does not include administration or scoring)
96132	Neuropsychological Testing Evaluation Services: integration, interpretation, clinical decision making, report writing, and interactive feedback to client, family member(s), caregiver(s) by licensed PhD/PsyD or trained MD/DO (does not include administration or scoring)
96136	Psychological or Neuropsychological Testing: face-to-face administration and scoring by licensed PhD/PsyD or trained MD/DO

Refer to the updated Guide to Procedure Codes Manual for a complete list of psychological and neuropsychological testing procedure codes on the DMH Internet at: <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/for-providers/administrative-tools/provider-manuals-directories>.

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