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GUIDE TO PROCEDURE CODE UPDATES

The Guide to Procedure Codes for Specialty Mental Health Services (“the Guide”) has been further updated to account for changes to the CPT Evaluation and Management (E&M) codes by the American Medical Association (AMA), effective January 1, 2023, designed to streamline coding and documentation.

1. Termination of Evaluation and Management Procedure Codes Effective January 01, 2023

Effective January 1, 2023, the Evaluation and Management Service Procedure Codes will be terminated: 99324-99328, 99334-99337, 99339, 99340, and 99343. Psychiatrists performing these services will use the new E & M procedure codes listed in section 2 of this bulletin.

2. Addition of New Procedure Codes Effective January 1, 2023

Effective January 1, 2023, Psychiatrists performing the E & M services in section 1 above will use the following new E & M procedure codes 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, and 99350.

Removed telehealth as a method of delivery for E&M Home services codes (99341-99350)

- These codes are utilized based on the location of the practitioner, if the practitioner is in the Client’s home or domiciliary location telehealth should not be utilized.

The details of the new procedure codes are provided in the attachment to this bulletin

The new codes will be available in IBHIS for use as of February 8, 2023.

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**Evaluation And Management
MD/DO SERVICES
Home or Residence
(POS Codes 04 12,13,14,15,16,31,32,33,34)**

Service	Components	Severity of Presenting Problem	Code	Duration of Face-to-Face	Rate
<u>New Client</u> Home visit for the evaluation and management of a new client which requires all three (3) components listed in the "Components" column.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem focused history • Problem focused examination • Straight-forward medical decision making 	Straight-Forward	99341	15-29 min total time	\$64.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem focused history • Problem focused examination • Low complexity medical decision making 	Low	99342	30-59 min. total time	\$106.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded history • Expanded examination • Medical Decision-making of moderate complexity 	Moderate	99344	60-74 min. total time	\$106.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed history • Detailed examination • Medical Decision-making of high complexity 	High	99345	75 + min. total time	\$106.00
<u>Established Client</u> Home visit for the evaluation and management of an established client which requires all three (3) components listed in the "Components" column.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem focused history • Problem focused examination • Straight-forward medical decision making 	Straight-Forward	99347	20-29 min. total time	\$64.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem focused history • Problem focused examination • Low complexity medical decision-making 	Low	99348	30-39 min. Total time	\$106.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded history • Expanded examination • Medical Decision-making of moderate complexity 	Moderate	99349	40-59 min. total time	\$106.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed history • Detailed examination • Medical Decision making of high complexity 	High	99350	60 + min total time	\$106.00

Note:

- These codes will be used to report E/M services provided to a client, residing in their home, in an assisted living facility, in a group home (that is not licensed as an intermediate care facility for individual with intellectual disabilities) in a custodial care facility or in a residential substance abuse treatment facility.
- These services are categorized in the data system as Individual Services and are recorded in minutes