

Risk of Complications and/or Morbidity or Mortality

Levels of Service	Level of Risk	Presenting Problem(s)	Diagnostic Procedure(s) Ordered	Management Options
99201 99241 99202 99212 99242	Minimal	<input type="checkbox"/> One self-limited or minor problem, e.g. cold, insect bite, Tinea Corporis	<input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory tests requiring venipuncture <input type="checkbox"/> Chest x-rays <input type="checkbox"/> EKG/EEG <input type="checkbox"/> Urinalysis <input type="checkbox"/> Ultrasound, e.g., echo <input type="checkbox"/> KOH prep	<input type="checkbox"/> Rest <input type="checkbox"/> Gargles <input type="checkbox"/> Elastic bandages <input type="checkbox"/> Superficial dressings
99203 99213 99243	Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Two or more self-limited or minor problems <input type="checkbox"/> One stable chronic illness, e.g. well controlled hypertension or non-insulin dependent diabetes, cataract, BPH <input type="checkbox"/> Acute uncomplicated illness or injury, e.g. cystitis, allergic rhinitis, simple sprain	<input type="checkbox"/> Physiologic tests not under stress, e.g., pulmonary function tests. <input type="checkbox"/> Non-cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast, e.g., barium enema <input type="checkbox"/> Superficial needle biopsies <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical laboratory tests requiring arterial puncture <input type="checkbox"/> Skin biopsies	<input type="checkbox"/> Over-the-counter drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Minor surgery with no identified risk factors <input type="checkbox"/> Physical therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational therapy <input type="checkbox"/> IV fluids
99204 99244 99214	Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> One or more chronic illnesses with mild exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Two or more stable chronic illnesses <input type="checkbox"/> Undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis, e.g., lump in breast. <input type="checkbox"/> Acute illness with systematic symptoms, e.g. pyelonephritis, pneumonitis, colitis. <input type="checkbox"/> Acute complicated injury, e.g., head injury with brief loss of consciousness	<input type="checkbox"/> Physiologic tests not under stress, e.g. cardiac stress test, fetal contraction stress test <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic endoscopies with no identified factors <input type="checkbox"/> Deep needle or incisional biopsy <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast and no identified risk factors, e.g. arteriogram cardiac cath <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain fluid from body cavity, e.g. lumbar puncture, thoracentesis, culdecentesis	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor surgery with identified risk factors <input type="checkbox"/> Major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) with no identified risk factors <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription drug management <input type="checkbox"/> Therapeutic nuclear medicine <input type="checkbox"/> IV fluids with additives <input type="checkbox"/> Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation without manipulation
99215 99205 99245	High	<input type="checkbox"/> One or more chronic illnesses with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Acute or chronic illnesses or injuries that may pose a threat to life or bodily function, e.g. multiple trauma, acute MI, pulmonary embolus, severe respiratory distress, progressive severe rheumatoid arthritis, psychiatric illness with potential threat to self or others, peritonitis, acute renal failure <input type="checkbox"/> An abrupt change in neurologic status, e.g., seizure, TIA, weakness or sensory loss	<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast with identified risk factors <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac electrophysiological tests <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic endoscopies with identified risk factors <input type="checkbox"/> Discography	<input type="checkbox"/> Elective major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic with identified risk factors). <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) <input type="checkbox"/> Parenteral controlled substances <input type="checkbox"/> Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity <input type="checkbox"/> Decision not to resuscitate or de-escalate care because of poor prognosis