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Coding spotlight: Overview of the 2021 evaluation and management changes

Why are these changes necessary?

Changes are meant to simplify code selection criteria, make coding more clinically relevant and to reduce documentation overload for office-based evaluation and management (E/M) services, while continuing to differentiate payment based on complexity of care.

Key elements of major revisions for 2021:

- Physicians may choose their documentation based on medical decision making (MDM) or total time (including non-face-to-face services).
- History and exam are still important parts of the notes and may contribute to both time and MDM, but they will no longer be scored for determining the level of the E/M visit.
- MDM criteria has moved away from simply adding up tasks to instead focusing on tasks that affect the management of a patient's condition.
- Code 99201 was deleted.
- Codes 99202 to 99215 were revised.

Changes to time documentation

Time will now be defined as the total time spent by the provider (both face-to-face and time spent on non-face-to-face activities related to this patient's visit performed on the same day as the visit). This may include the services listed below but should not include time spent on separately billable services (such as X-ray interpretation). Effective January 1, 2021:

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Additional information

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41512	Tongue base suspension, permanent suture technique
54161	Circumcision, surgical excision other than clamp, device, or dorsal slit; older than 28 days of age
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Reminder: Florida Healthy Kids claims submission methods

See the below chart for the correct claims submission methods for Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. (Simply). Participating and nonparticipating providers should submit paper and electronic claims for payment to Simply and **not** directly to Florida Healthy Kids.

Paper and electronic claim submissions		
Claim type	Submission details	
Paper claims	Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. Florida Claims P.O. Box 61010 Virginia Beach, VA 23466-1010	
Electronic claims	https://www.availity.com* Payer ID: SMPLY	

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DME checklist of information needed from providers

Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. (Simply) wants to help ensure Medicare Advantage members receive the DME they are eligible to receive under CMS guidelines as soon as that equipment is needed. When requesting DME for your patients, our members, please include the information below to give our physiatrist and other clinical reviewers a complete picture of your patients' status and needs. This will help ensure a timely response from Simply; reduce the need for additional phone calls, faxes, emails and appeals; and deliver the requested DME to your patients as soon as possible.



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Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. is a Medicare-contracted coordinated care plan that has a Medicaid contract with the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration to provide benefits or arrange for benefits to be provided to enrollees. Enrollment in Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. depends on contract renewal.

Medical Policies and *Clinical Utilization Management Guidelines* update

The *Medical Policies, Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guidelines* and *Third-Party Criteria* below were developed and/or revised to support clinical coding edits. Note, several policies and guidelines were revised to provide clarification only and are not included. Existing precertification requirements have not changed. Please note: The *Medical Policies* and *Clinical UM Guidelines* below are followed in the absence of Medicare guidance.

To view a guideline, visit https://medicalpolicy.simplyhealthcareplans.com/shp_search.html.

Notes/updates:

Updates marked with an asterisk (*) notate that the criteria may be perceived as more restrictive.

- *GENE.00055 Gene Expression Profiling for Risk Stratification of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Severity
 - Gene expression profiling for risk stratification of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) severity, including use of PredictSURE IBD, is considered investigational and not medically necessary for all indications
- *LAB.00037 Serologic Testing for Biomarkers of Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS)
 - Serological testing for biomarkers of irritable bowel syndrome (for example, CdtB and anti-vinculin), using tests such as, IBSDetex, ibs-smart or IBSchek, is considered investigational and not medically necessary for screening, diagnosis or management of irritable bowel syndrome, and for all other indications
- *DME.00011 Electrical Stimulation as a Treatment for Pain and Other Conditions: Surface and Percutaneous Devices
 - Revised scope to only include non-implantable devices and moved content addressing implantable devices to SURG.00158
 - Added "non-implantable" to bullet point on percutaneous neuromodulation therapy
 - Added percutaneous electrical nerve field stimulation (PENFS) as investigational and not medically necessary for all indications
- *SURG.00062 Vein Embolization as a Treatment for Pelvic Congestion Syndrome and Varicocele
 - Expanded scope to include percutaneous testicular vein embolization for varicocele and added embolization of the testicular (spermatic) veins as investigational and not medically necessary as a treatment of testicular varicocele
- *CG-LAB-15 Red Blood Cell Folic Acid Testing
- RBC folic acid testing is considered not medically necessary in all cases

- *CG-LAB-16 Serum Amylase Testing
 - Serum amylase testing is considered not medically necessary for acute and chronic pancreatitis and all other conditions
- *CG-GENE-04 Molecular Marker Evaluation of Thyroid Nodules
 - Added the Afirma Xpression Atlas as not medically necessary
- SURG.00158 Implantable Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Devices as a Treatment for Pain
 - A new *Medical Policy* was created from content contained in DME.00011.
 - There are no changes to the policy content.
 - Publish date is December 16, 2020.
- CG-GENE-21 Cell-Free Fetal DNA-Based Prenatal Testing
 - A new *Clinical Guideline* was created from content contained in GENE.00026.
 - There are no changes to the guideline content
 - Publish date is December 16, 2020.

Medical Policies

On November 5, 2020, the Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) approved several *Medical Policies* applicable to Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. (Simply). These guidelines take effect March 8, 2021.

Clinical UM Guidelines

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