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| **Code** | **Level of MDM \*** | **Number & Complexity of Problems Addressed** | **Amount & Complexity of Data – Reviewed & Analyzed\*** | **Risk of Complications****Morbidity/Mortality of Patient Management** |
| **99211** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **99202****99212** | **Straight forward** | **Minimal*** 1 self-limited or minor problem
 | **Minimal or none** | **Minimal risk** of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment |
| **99203****99213** | **Low** | **Low*** 2 or more self-limited or minor problems; or
* 1 stable chronic illness; or
* 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury
 | **Limited** – must meet the requirements of at least 1 of the 2 categories.**Category 1** Tests and documentsAny combination of 2 from the following:* Review of prior external notes from a unique source\*;
* Review of the results of each unique test\*;
* Ordering of each unique test\*

**Category 2**: Assessment requiring an independent historian. ((For the categories of independent interpretation of tests and discussion of management or test interpretation, see moderate or high) | **Low risk** of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment |
| **99204****99214** | **Moderate** | **Moderate*** 1 or more chronic illnesses with exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment; or
* 2 or more stable chronic illnesses; or
* 1 undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis; or
* 1 acute illness with systemic symptoms; or
* 1 acute complicated injury
 | **Moderate** - must meet the requirements of at least 1 out of 3 categories.**Category 1**: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s). Any combination of 3 from the following:* Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source\*;
* Review of the result(s) of each unique test\*; Ordering of each unique test\*;
* Assessment requiring an independent historian(s) or

**Category 2**: Independent interpretation of tests: independent interpretation of a test performed by another physician/other qualified health care professional (not separately reported); or**Category 3:** Discussion of management or test interpretation. Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician/other qualified health care professional\appropriate source (not separately reported) | **Moderate risk** of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment.**Examples only:*** Prescription drug management
* Decision regarding minor surgery with identified patient or procedure risk factors
* Decision regarding elective major surgery without identified patient or procedure risk factors
* Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health
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| **99205****99215** | **High** | **High** * 1 or more chronic illnesses with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment; or
* 1 acute or chronic illness or injury that poses a threat to life or bodily function
 | **Extensive** (Must meet the requirements of at least 2 out of 3 categories)**Category 1**: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s)* Any combination of 3 from the following:
* Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source\*;
* Review of the result(s) of each unique test\*;
* Ordering of each unique test\*;
* Assessment requiring an independent historian(s) or

**Category 2:** Independent interpretation of tests* Independent interpretation of a test performed by another physician/other qualified health care professional (not separately reported); or

**Category 3**: Discussion of management or test interpretation* Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician/other qualified health care professional/appropriate source (not separately reported)
 | **High risk of morbidity** from additional diagnostic testing or treatment.**Examples only:*** Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity
* Decision regarding elective major surgery with identified patient or procedure risk factors
* Decision regarding emergency major surgery
* Decision regarding hospitalization
* Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis
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