Medicare Update 2021



New Add-on Code for Continuity of Care

- G2211 Visit complexity inherent to evaluation and management associated with medical care services that serve as the continuing focal point for all needed health care services and/or with medical care services that are part of ongoing care related to a patient's single, serious condition or a complex condition. (Addon code, list separately in addition to office/outpatient evaluation and management visit, new or established)
- \$15.88 NF
- \$7.78 F



New Add-on Code for Time

- G2212, Prolonged office or other outpatient evaluation and management service(s) beyond the maximum required time of the primary procedure which has been selected using total time on the date of the primary service; each additional 15 minutes by the physician or qualified healthcare professional, with or without direct patient contact (List separately in addition to CPT codes 99205, 99215 for office or other outpatient evaluation and management services) "(Do not report G2212 on the same date of service as 99354, 99355, 99358, 99359, 99415, 99416). (Do not report G2212 for any time unit less than 15 minutes)
- \$31.44 NF
- \$29.24 F



2021 CPT Changes

 50740 Ureteropyelostomy, anastomosis of ureter and renal pelvis

 55880 Ablation of malignant prostate tissue, transrectal, with high intensity-focused ultrasound (HIFU), including ultrasound guidance



2020 CPT Changes

- 99417 Prolonged office or other outpatient evaluation and management service(s) beyond the minimum required time of the primary procedure which has been selected using total time, requiring total time with or without direct patient contact beyond the usual service, on the date of the primary service, each 15 minutes of total time (List separately in addition to codes 99205,
- 99215 for office or other outpatient Evaluation and Management services)
- 99439 Chronic care management services with the following required elements: multiple (two or more) chronic conditions expected to last at least 12 months, or until the death of the patient, chronic conditions place the patient at significant risk of death, acute exacerbation/decompensation, or functional decline, comprehensive care plan established, implemented, revised, or monitored; each additional 20 minutes of clinical staff time directed by a physician or other qualified health care professional, per calendar month (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)



AUC Program 2021

- Mandated for 2020 but will not result in denials
 - Tracking will identify outliers resulting in Precertification requirements in 2022
- Delayed full implementation due to Covid



AUC Program 2020

- Applies to advanced imaging services which include:
 - Computed tomography
 - Positron emission tomography
 - Nuclear medicine
 - Magnetic resonance imaging



AUC Program 2020

 Ordering professionals will be required to consult a qualified Clinical Decision Support Mechanism (CDSM) to provide a determination of whether the order adheres to AUC



MORE INFORMATION

- As an ordering physician you will be pushed by imaging centers to consult a CDSM and provide evidence similar to push of Dx of lab codes
- Only provider of imaging service reports modifiers and new G codes.
- https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/MM11268
 .pdf



Indicator	NQF # / eCQM NQF #	Quality #	CMS eCQM ID	Collection Type	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
! (Patient Safety)	N/A / N/A	023	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Patient Safety	Perioperative Care: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis (When Indicated in ALL Patients): Percentage of surgical patients aged 18 years and older undergoing procedures for which venous thromboembolism (VTE) prophylaxis is indicated in all patients, who had an order for Low Molecular Weight Heparin (LMWH), Low- Dose Unfractionated Heparin (LDUH), adjusted-dose warfarin, fondaparinux or mechanical prophylaxis to be given within 24 hours prior to incision time or within 24 hours after surgery end time.	American Society of Plastic Surgeons
! (Care Coordinat ion)	0326 / N/A	047	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	ti on and Care	Advance Care Plan: Percentage of patients aged 65 years and older who have an advance care plan or surrogate decision maker documented in the medical record or documentation in the medical record that an advance care plan was discussed but the patient did not wish or was not able to name a surrogate decision maker or provide an advance care plan.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
*	N/A / N/A	048	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Effective Clinical Care	Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older: Percentage of female patients aged 65 years and older who were assessed for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
! (Patient Experienc e)	N/A / N/A	050	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Caregiver- Centered	Urinary Incontinence: Plan of Care for Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older: Percentage of female patients aged 65 years and older with a diagnosis of urinary incontinence with a documented plan of care for urinary incontinence at least once within 12 months.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
§ ! (Appropri ate Use)	0389 / 0389e	102	CMS129 v10	eCQM Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients: Percentage of patients, regardless of age, with a diagnosis of prostate cancer at low (or very low) risk of recurrence receiving interstitial prostate brachytherapy, OR external beam radiotherapy to the prostate, OR radical prostatectomy who did not have a bone scan performed at any time since diagnosis of prostate cancer.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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	0390 / N/A	104	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Effective Clinical Care	Prostate Cancer: Combination Androgen Deprivation Therapy for High Risk or Very High Risk Prostate Cancer: Percentage of patients, regardless of age, with a diagnosis of prostate cancer at high or very high risk of recurrence receiving external beam radiotherapy to the prostate who were prescribed androgen deprivation therapy in combination with external beam radiotherapy to the prostate.	American Urological Association Education and Research
* §	0062 / N/A	119	CMS134 v9	Specification & MIDS COME	Process	Clinical	Diabetes: Medical Attention for Nephropathy: The percentage of patients 18-75 years of age with diabetes who had a nephropathy screening test or evidence of nephropathy during the measurement period.	
* §	N/A / N/A	128	CMS69v 9	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, eCQM Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Communit y/	Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a BMI documented during the current encounter or within the previous twelve months AND who had a follow-up plan documented if most recent BMI was outside of normal parameters.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
* ! (Patient Safety)	0419 / 0419e	130		Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, eCQM Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Patient	Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record: Percentage of visits for patients aged 18 years and older for which the eligible professional or eligible clinician attests to documenting a list of current medications using all immediate resources available on the date of the encounter.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
* §	0028 / 0028e	226	CMS138 v9	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, eCQM Specification s, CMS Web Interface Measure Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Communit y/ Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 12 months AND who received tobacco cessation intervention if identified as a tobacco user. Three rates are reported: a. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 12 months b. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were identified as a tobacco user who received tobacco cessation intervention c. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 12 months AND who received tobacco cessation intervention if identified as a tobacco user.	Committee for

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* ! (Care Coordina t ion)	N/A / N/A	265	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Communicati on and Care Coordination	Biopsy Follow-Up: Percentage of new patients whose biopsy results have been reviewed and communicated to the primary care/referring physician and patient.	American Academy of Dermatology
*	N/A / N/A	317	9	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, eCQM Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Community /Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented: Percentage of patient visits for patients aged 18 years and older seen during the measurement period who were screened for high blood pressure AND a recommended follow-up plan is documented, as indicated, if blood pressure is pre-hypertensive or hypertensive.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
! (Patient Experien c e)	N/A / N/A	358	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Person and Caregiver- Centered Experience and Outcomes	Patient-Centered Surgical Risk Assessment and Communication: Percentage of patients who underwent a non- emergency surgery who had their personalized risks of postoperative complications assessed by their surgical team prior to surgery using a clinical data-based, patient-specific risk calculator and who received personal discussion of those risks with the surgeon.	American College of Surgeons
* ! (Care Coordina t ion)	N/A / N/A	374	CMS50v 9	eCQM Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Communicati on and Care Coordination	Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report: Percentage of patients with referrals, regardless of age, for which the referring provider receives a report from the provider to whom the patient was referred.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
! (Patient Safety)	N/A / N/A	429		Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specification s, MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Patient Safety	Pelvic Organ Prolapse: Preoperative Screening for Uterine Malignancy: Percentage of patients who are screened for uterine malignancy prior to vaginal closure or obliterative surgery for pelvic organ prolapse.	American Urogynecologic Society
* §	2152 / N/A	431	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Process	Community/ Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use: Screening & Brief Counseling: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for unhealthy alcohol use using a systematic screening method at least once within the last 12 months AND who received brief counseling if identified as an unhealthy alcohol user.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
! (Outcom e)	N/A / N/A	432	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Outcome	Patient Safety	Proportion of Patients Sustaining a Bladder Injury at the Time of any Pelvic Organ Prolapse Repair: Percentage of patients undergoing pelvic organ prolapse repairs who sustain an injury to the bladder recognized either during or within 30 days after surgery.	American Urogynecologic Society

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§ ! (Outcome)	N/A / N/A	433	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Outcome	Patient Safety	Proportion of Patients Sustaining a Bowel Injury at the time of any Pelvic Organ Prolapse Repair: Percentage of patients undergoing surgical repair of pelvic organ prolapse that is complicated by a bowel injury at the time of index surgery that is recognized intraoperatively or within 30 days after surgery.	Urogynecologic Society
! (Outcome)	N/A / N/A	434	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specification s	Outcome	Patient Safety	Proportion of Patients Sustaining a Ureter Injury at the Time of Pelvic Organ Prolapse Repair: Percentage of patients undergoing pelvic organ prolapse repairs who sustain an injury to the ureter recognized either during or within 30 days after surgery.	American Urogynecologic Society
*	N/A / N/A	462	CMS645 v4	eCQM Specification s	Process	Effective Clinical Care	Bone Density Evaluation for Patients with Prostate Cancer and Receiving Androgen Deprivation Therapy: Patients determined as having prostate cancer who are currently starting or undergoing androgen deprivation therapy (ADT), for an anticipated period of 12 months or greater and who receive an initial bone density evaluation. The bone density evaluation must be prior to the start of ADT or within 3 months of the start of ADT.	Oregon Urology Institute
* ! (Outcome)	N/A / N/A	476	CMS771 v2	eCQM Specification s	Patient Reported Outcome	Person and Caregiver- Centered Experience and Outcomes	Urinary Symptom Score Change 6-12 Months After Diagnosis of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia: Percentage of patients with an office visit within the measurement period and with a new diagnosis of clinically significant Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia who have International Prostate Symptoms Score (IPSS) or American Urological Association (AUS) Symptom Index (SI) documented at time of diagnosis and again 6-12 months later with an improvement of 3 points.	Large Urology Group Practice Association and Oregon Urology Institute