

PCC CODING WEBLAB

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1p, EST



March 2020 Agenda

- COVID-19
- Helpful Hints
- March 2020 AAP Coding Newsletter
- Coding Roundtable



COVID-19 - Telemedicine

TELEPHONE:

MD/DO/NP/PA - Telephone E&M by a *physician or other QHCP*, est patient, parent, guardian not originating from related E/M provided within previous 7 days nor leading to an E/M service or procedure within next 24 hours or soonest available

99441 5-10 minutes of medical discussion

99442 11-20 minutes of medical discussion

99443 21-30 minutes of medical discussion

Qualified RN/MA - Telephone *assessment and management* service provided by a *qualified nonphysician health care professional*, est patient, parent, guardian not originating from a related *assessment and management* provided within previous 7 days nor leading to *assessment and management* service or procedure within next 24 hours or soonest available

98966 5-10 minutes of medical discussion

98967 11-20 minutes of medical discussion

98968 21-30 minutes of medical discussion



COVID-19 - Telemedicine

PORTAL / EMAIL:

MD/DO/NP/PA Online digital evaluation and management service, for an established patient, for up to 7 days, cumulative time during the 7 days

99421 5-10 minutes

99422 11-20 minutes

99423 21 or more minutes

Qualified RN/MA Qualified *nonphysician* health care professional online digital assessment and management service, for an established patient, for up to 7 days, cumulative time during the 7 days

98970 5-10 minutes

98971 11-20 minutes

98972 21 or more minutes



COVID-19 - Telemedicine

Realtime Audio/Video Visits

Established patient E&M's **99201-99205, 99212-99215** may be billed with a modifier to report that they were completed via interactive audio/video using

-95 Synchronous Telemed Rendered Via Real-Time Interactive Audio/Video

OR

-GT Via Interactive Audio/Video

Risk Counseling

Preventive medicine counseling and/or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure)

99401 approximately 5 minutes

99402 approximately 30 minutes

99403 approximately 45 minutes

99404 approximately 60 minutes

Appendix P - CPTs typically performed face-to-face, but may be rendered via synchronous interactive audio and video

- Risk counseling codes 99401-99403 are NQT among these



COVID-19 - Lab Order

COVID-19 Lab Code Released by AMA 3/13/20

87635 Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (Coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), amplified probe technique



COVID-19 - Modifiers

-GT Via interactive audio and video telecommunication services

- CMS relegated this to institutional claims in 2018, but some carriers are paying outpatient claims that use it. Consult with your carriers.

-95 Synchronous Telemedicine Service Rendered Via a Real-Time Interactive Audio and Video Telecommunications System

- Synchronous, real-time between physician/QHCP and patient located at a distant site. Communication must be of an amount and nature sufficient to meet the key components and/or requirements of same as rendered face-to-face.



COVID-19 - CDC ICD Guidance

Confirmed as due to COVID-19

Pneumonia

J12.89 Other viral pneumonia
and
B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere

Bronchitis

Acute
J20.8 Acute bronchitis due to other specified organisms
and
B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere

Not otherwise specified (NOS)

J40 Bronchitis, not specified as acute or chronic
and
B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere

Lower Respiratory Infection NOS, or Acute respiratory infection, NOS

J22, Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection
and
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere

Respiratory infection, NOS

J98.8, Other specified respiratory disorders
and
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere

Acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS)

J80, Acute respiratory distress syndrome
and
B97.29, Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere.



COVID-19 - CDC ICD Guidance

Exposure to COVID-19

Possible exposure to COVID-19 that is ruled out after evaluation
Z03.818, Encounter for observation for suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out

Actual exposure to someone who is confirmed to have COVID-19
Z20.828, Contact with and (suspected) exposure to other viral communicable diseases.

Signs and symptoms

Where a definitive diagnosis has not been established
R05 Cough
R06.02 Shortness of breath
R50.9 Fever, unspecified

NOTE:

Diagnosis code B34.2, Coronavirus infection, unspecified, would generally **not be appropriate** for COVID-19, because the cases have universally been respiratory in nature, so the site would not be "unspecified." If the provider documents "suspected", "possible" or "probable" COVID-19, **do not** assign code B97.29. Assign a code(s) explaining the reason for encounter (such as fever, or Z20.828).



COVID-19 - ICD Coding

Z63.79 Other stressful life events affecting family and household



COVID-19 - Diagnosis Map

Learn.pcc.com: [Link Diagnoses to ICD-10 Billing Codes](#)

Available SNOMED	Assisted Mapping ICD-10
Disease due to Coronaviridae	B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere
Pneumonia caused by Human coronavirus	J12.89 Other viral pneumonia B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere
Acute lower respiratory tract infection	J22 Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection
Acute respiratory infections	J22 Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection
Lower respiratory tract infection	J22 Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection
Severe respiratory tract infection	J22 Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection
Bronchitis	Assumes w/Tracheitis; requires selection based on Patient's age 15 yrs and above: J40 Bronchitis, not specified as acute or chronic Under 15 years old: J20.9 Acute bronchitis, unspecified
Acute respiratory distress syndrome	J80 Acute respiratory distress syndrome
O/E - respiratory distress	18 yrs and above: J80 Acute respiratory distress syndrome Less than 29 days: P22.9 Respiratory distress of newborn, unspecified Other Age Ranges: R06.03 Acute respiratory distress
Wide variety; None obviously related	J98.8 Other specified respiratory disorders



COVID-19 - Resources

1. *LINK CHANGED* Webinar Thurs 3/19/20, 7pm EDT: [The Business Impact Of COVID-19 On Pediatric Practices](#)
2. [PCC COVID-19 Resources](#)
3. [PCC's COVID-19 Coding Guide](#)
4. [Schedule, Chart, and Bill a Telemedicine Visit in PCC EHR](#) (requires login to PCCCommunity)
5. [Message to our clients during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)
6. [AMA Physician's Guide to COVID-19](#)
7. [AAP Telehealth Resource](#)



Helpful Hint: Synagis

SNOMED

- Prophylactic immunotherapy

ICD-10

- Z29.11 Encounter for prophylactic immunotherapy for RSV



Helpful Hint: PANDAS

SNOMED

- PANDAS - Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal Infections

ICD-10

- G93.49 Encephalopathy
- B94.8 Sequela of Infectious disease
- G04.01 Post infections encephalopathy



AAP Coding Newsletters

Access via PCC EHR or Login to community.pcc.com

March 2020

- Office E/M 2021: An Overview of Time-Based Code Selection
- Aftercare, Follow-up, Status, and History
- Principal Care Management: New Codes for Single Disease Management Services
- Don't Continue Leaving Money on the Table



v8.12 Highlights - Released 3/15/20

- Introducing Charge Posting Workflow in EHR!
- View complete day in pocketPCC - including blocks
- Search a patient's visit history for a word or phrase
- Patient demographic options for race, ethnicity and preferred language
- Refreshed lab test (LOINC) library
- Improved control for report export formatting
- Dashboard immunization rates per provider
- Billing reports updated for new billing statuses



Roadmap - Version 8.13

General Deployment *planned*:

Sunday, June 7, 2020



Version 8.12 Materials

- [v8.12 Documentation](#)
- [v8.12 Video](#)
- [V8.12 Migration Considerations](#)
- [All Recent Update Documentation and Videos](#)



What Coding Questions Do You Have?

How do you code when your doc diagnoses...?

What code do folks' insurers accept for...?

What's a better/more specific code for...?

I recently discovered a code for ...



Next Weblab: Billing

Thurs, April 16, 2020

2pm



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