



CURRENT PROCEDURAL TERMINOLOGY (CPT) CODES

These codes describe a visit or procedure(s) that is administered. Payment is usually solely based on these codes and differs between insurance plans. Please check with the insurance plans you work with to find out if the following codes are valid.

*Smoking Cessation Counseling**

For face-to-face counseling by a physician or other qualified health-care professional using standardized, evidence-based screening instruments and tools with reliable documentation and appropriate sensitivity

- 99406 For an intermediate visit of between 3 and 10 minutes
- 99407 For an intensive visit lasting longer than 30 minutes

**Effective January 1, 2011, Medicare will expand coverage of tobacco-cessation counseling services for any Medicare patient who smokes or uses tobacco.*

Preventive Medicine, Individual Counseling

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

- 99401 Approximately 15 minutes
- 99402 Approximately 30 minutes
- 99403 Approximately 45 minutes
- 99404 Approximately 60 minutes

Preventive Medicine, Group Counseling

For preventive medicine counseling and/or tobacco risk factor treatment intervention provided to an individual (separate procedure)

- 99411 Approximately 30 minutes
- 99412 Approximately 60 minutes

Dental Billing Codes

- D1320 Tobacco counseling for the control and prevention of oral diseases

DIAGNOSTIC CODES (ICD-9)

These are diagnosis codes, and payment is not usually received for them. The codes will provide the payers with valuable information that may in the future effect change or encourage payer-based programs.

- 305.1 Tobacco use disorder (tobacco dependence; excludes a history of tobacco use)
- 649.0x Tobacco use disorder complicating pregnancy, childbirth, or puerperium
- V15.82 History of tobacco use (excludes history of tobacco dependence, or code 305.1)

Medically related codes affected by tobacco use

- 493.00 Asthma
- 493.02 Asthma exacerbation
- 786.07 Wheezing
- 462 Pharyngitis
- 312.9 Behavior problems
- 786.50 Chest pain
- 473.9 Chronic sinusitis
- 461.9 Sinusitis, acute
- 780.4 Dizziness
- 530.81 Gastroesophageal reflux
- 346.00 Headache, migraine
- 784 Headache, other
- 401.9 Hypertension
- 785.1 Palpitation
- V61.20 Psychosocial problem
- V62.3 School problems
- 780.50 Sleep problem
- 465.9 URI, acute
- 786.05 SOB, respiratory distress
- 783.21 Weight loss
- 311 Depression
- 314.01 ADHD
- 296.90 Mood disorder
- 786.2 Cough
- 477.9 Allergic rhinitis

CRITERIA FOR REIMBURSEMENT ON MEDICAID CESSATION COUNSELING FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

- Counseling must be face-to-face.
- Services are only available for Medicaid-eligible pregnant females who smoke.
- The claim must include a diagnosis of pregnancy (ICD-9 CM Diagnosis Codes: 630-677, V22, V23, V28).
- Counseling must be provided by a physician, registered physician's assistant, registered nurse practitioner, or licensed midwife during a medical visit (no group sessions).
- Physicians, nurse practitioners, licensed midwives, hospital outpatient departments, and freestanding diagnostic and treatment centers will be allowed to bill for smoking cessation counseling (SSC).
- Smoking cessation counseling is payable in a clinic setting with a diagnosis of pregnancy, an E&M code, and a SCC CPT procedure code.
- Pregnant women will be allowed up to six counseling sessions within a continuous 12-month period.