

## **Subacute Care Programs: Billing Codes**

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This section describes the procedures codes used to bill the adult and pediatric subacute care programs.

### **Billing Codes**

«Physician Evaluation and Management (E&M) CPT® codes for initial hospital care (99221 thru 99223), subsequent hospital care and discharge (99231 thru 99233, 99238, 99239), office consultation (99242 thru 99245) and inpatient consultation (99252 thru 99255) are used for billing adult and pediatric subacute care.»

### **Required Modifier**

For Medical Claim types, providers must specify the appropriate Place of Service and use modifier U2.

### **Initial Hospital Care**

**Initial Hospital Care Codes Table**

<b>CPT Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
99221	Initial hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires a detailed or comprehensive history, a detailed or comprehensive examination, and medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity
99222	Initial hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of moderate complexity
99223	Initial hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of high complexity

## Subsequent Hospital Care and Discharge

### «Subsequent Hospital Care and Discharge Codes Table»

<b>CPT Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
99231	Subsequent hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: A problem focused interval history, a problem focused examination, or medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity
99232	Subsequent hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: An expanded problem focused interval history, an expanded problem focused examination, or medical decision making of moderate complexity
99233	Subsequent hospital care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: A detailed interval history, a detailed examination or medical decision making of high complexity
99238	Hospital discharge day management, 30 minutes or less
99239	Hospital discharge day management, more than 30 minutes

## Office Consultation

### Office Consultation Codes Table

<b>CPT Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
99242	Office consultation, for a new or established patient, which requires an expanded problem focused history, an expanded problem focused examination, and straightforward medical decision making
99243	Office consultation, for a new or established patient, which requires a detailed history, a detailed examination, and medical decision making of low complexity
99244	Office consultation, for a new or established patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of moderate complexity
99245	Office consultation, for a new or established patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of high complexity

## Inpatient Consultation

**Inpatient Consultation Codes Table**

<b>CPT Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
99252	Inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires an expanded problem focused history, an expanded problem focused examination, and straightforward medical decision making
99253	Inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires a detailed history, a detailed examination and medical decision making of low complexity
99254	Inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of moderate complexity
99255	Inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, and medical decision making of high complexity

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