

LCMC Health 2021 E/M MDM Guide



To qualify for a particular level of MDM, **two** of the **three** elements **for that level** must be met or exceeded.

MDM	Diagnoses	Data	Risk
Straightforward 99202/99212	Self-limited or minor problem	None or Minimal	Minimal risk of treatment or no treatment
Low 99203/99213	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 or more self-limited or minor problem • 1 stable chronic illness Acute uncomplicated illness/injury 	<u>Meet 1 of 2:</u> 1. Review or order two documents 2. Independent historian	Low risk, minimal consent discussion
Moderate 99204/99214	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 or more chronic illness w/ exacerbation, progression, side effects • 2 or more stable chronic illnesses • 1 undiagnosed new problem • Acute complicated illness/injury 	<u>Meet 1 of 3:</u> 1. Review or order three document and Independent historian 2. Independent interpretation of test performed by another MD/QHP 3. Confer with external MD/QHP	Rx drug management Minor surgery w/ risk discussion Major surgery w/out risk discussion Significant social determinants
High 99205/99215	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, side effects • Illness or injury poses threat to life or bodily function 	<u>Meet 2 of 3:</u> 1. Review or order three document and Independent historian 2. Independent interpretation of test performed by another MD/QHP 3. Confer with external MD/QHP	Intensive monitoring of drug therapy Major surgery w/ risk Emergency major surgery Hospitalization DNR/Palliative or Hospice care

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Represents **total time** on the **date of encounter** (face-to-face and non-face-to-face)
If **total time** is less than 10 minutes, then use **MDM** when selecting level

New patient		Established patient	
99202	15 – 29 minutes	99212	10 – 19 minutes
99203	30 – 44 minutes	99213	20 – 29 minutes
99204	45 – 59 minutes	99214	30 – 39 minutes
99205	60 – 74 minutes	99215	40 – 54 minutes

Prolonged services

Capture each 15 minutes; only when using time; only with 99205/99215

New patient 99205

Medicare/Medicare managed care reporting		All other payer reporting	
89–103 minutes	99205 and G2212	75–89 minutes	99205 and 99417
104–118 minutes	99205 and G2212 x 2	90–104 minutes	99205 and 99417 x 2
119–133 minutes	99205 and G2212 x 3	105–119 minutes	99205 and 99417 x 3

Established patient 99215

Medicare/Medicare managed care reporting		All other payer reporting	
69–83 minutes	99215 and G2212	55–69 minutes	99215 and 99417
84–98 minutes	99215 and G2212 x 2	70–84 minutes	99215 and 99417 x 2
99–113 minutes	99215 and G2212 x 3	85–99 minutes	99215 and 99417 x 3