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Goal of Correct Billing and Coding:

Get paid for the work you are doing, working within the parameters of the rules and guidelines of payers

With this in mind, **how much work are we doing?**

Quick numbers:

- 365 days in a year, 260 total workdays per Feds
- 20 vacation + 10 CME days per year = 230 workdays

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How much work are we doing?

But is it really 230 work days?



2/3-1/3 model with ½ day admin

- 3 days clinic/wk, 1.5 days per week in OR
- 4.5 days / 5 days = 90% of the 230 days =
–it's really **207 “days”**

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- Clinic 2/3 is **137** days, OR 1/3 is **70** days

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Lets Talk MONEY

Goal: **Salary of \$500,000 (lets do this!)**

- Conversion factor of 55 \$/wRVU
 - range is HUGE (36-75)
- RVU target – 9100 wRVU/**207** days = 44 wRVU/day

To get the RVUs we need, we need PATIENTS...

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Continued
how much work are we doing?

Patient Load

- 137 clinic days
- Hours 8am – 4pm, 1h lunch = 7h
- 7h clinic x 137 days = 960 h clinic (recall this is 2/3 of work)
- Target is 2/3 9100 wRVU = 6000 wRVU / 960h = **6.25 wRVU/h**
- What is the average wRVU per patient?
 - Check productivity...

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Physician Monthly Report: Feb-24

Report Type: WRVU

Physician Background Information

Physician Name:	HARRIS IV, GEORGE F	Date of Hire:	2/5/2023
Specialty:	Pediatrics: Otorhinolaryngology Boarded	Bill Provider Group:	LPG Peds ENT & Surgery
FTE Status:	1.00	Guarantee End Date:	3/5/2025
Employee ID:	124840	Plan Start Date:	7/1/2023

Physician Productivity Summary

Plan Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Plan Year 2022-2023													
BP-SP wRVUs1	4.94	1.70	16.58	3.77	4.00	3.29	2.00	210.57	641.41	566.89	639.62	728.22	2,822.99
RN/MA wRVUs2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total wRVUs	4.94	1.70	16.58	3.77	4.00	3.29	2.00	210.57	641.41	566.89	639.62	728.22	2,822.99
Visits	2	2	7	1	2	1	1	100	264	215	206	228	1,029
wRVUs per Visit	2.47	0.85	2.37	3.77	2.00	3.29	2.00	2.11	2.43	2.64	3.10	3.19	
Plan Year 2023-2024													
BP-SP wRVUs1	610.97	718.03	475.72	738.82	646.52	584.98	391.55	511.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,678.33
RN/MA wRVUs2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total wRVUs	610.97	718.03	475.72	738.82	646.52	584.98	391.55	511.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,678.33
Visits	194	169	98	245	215	186	141	224	0	0	0	0	1,472
wRVUs per Visit	3.15	4.25	4.85	3.02	3.01	3.15	2.78	2.28					3.18

1 Physician is both the billing provider ("BP") and service provider ("SP")
2 Physician is the billing provider and an RN, MA, etc. is service provider

Annualized Productivity				wRVU Market Data 2023 based on 2022 (FTE Adjusted)			
Time Period	wRVUs	Approx. %ile	Visits	wRVUs per Visit	P25	P50	P75
Plan Year	7,018	58	2,208	3.18	4,926	6,605	7,914
Rolling 12 mo	7,254	62	2,385	3.04			9,380

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Patient Load

- 7h clinic x 137 days = 960 h clinic (recall this is 2/3 of work)
- Target is 2/3 9100 wRVU = 6000 wRVU / 960h = **6.25 wRVU/h**
- What is the average wRVU per patient?
 - 3 wRVU / visit
- **So, how many patients do we need to see?**
- Schedule ≠ See
 - Factor in 20-25% no show (institutions will say its 10-15%)
- Need about 3-4 patients per hour on schedule

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We want to achieve 3 wRVU per visit

Is this achievable?

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MUST know
how to document your E&M levels

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Level Of Service Calculator

Medical Decision Making

Time

List

Additional E/M

Patient type:

New

Established

Service type:

OFFICE/OUTPATIENT

Level	Problems Addressed	Amount and/or Complexity	Risk
2	☐ 1 Self-limited or minor problem	☒ Minimal or None	☒ Minimal
3	☐ 2 or more self-limited or minor problems ☐ 1 stable, chronic illness ☒ 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury ☐ 1 stable, acute illness ☐ 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury requiring hospital inpatient or observation level of care	☐ Limited Any combination of 2: Review of prior external notes from unique source 1 2 3+ Review of the results from each unique test 1 2 3+ Ordered of each unique test 1 2 3+ or ☐ Assessment requiring an independent historian that is not the patient	☐ Low - OTC drugs - Minor surgery with no identified risk factors
4	☐ 1 or more chronic illness with exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment ☐ 2 or more stable chronic illnesses ☐ 1 undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis ☐ 1 acute illness with systemic symptoms ☐ 1 acute complicated injury	☐ Moderate (one from below) - Tests, documents, or independent historians (modify in level 3) - Independent interpretation of tests completed by another healthcare professional - Discussion of management or test interpretation with external healthcare professional	☐ Moderate - Prescription drug management - Minor surgery with identified risk factors - Elective major surgery with no identified risk factors - Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health
5	☐ 1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment ☐ 1 acute or chronic illness or injury that poses a threat to life or bodily function	☐ Extensive (two from below) - Tests, documents, or independent historians (modify in level 3) - Independent interpretation of tests completed by another healthcare professional - Discussion of management or test interpretation with external healthcare professional	☐ High - Elective major surgery with identified risk factors - Emergency major surgery - Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity - Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis - Decision regarding hospitalization - Parenteral controlled substances

Medical Decision Making Level: 2

Time Level: None selected

Code to be added: OFFICE/OUTPAT VISIT, NEW/LEVEL II [99202 CPT®]

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J03.90

Tonsillitis, Acute

J35.01

Tonsillitis, Chronic

J35.02

Chronic Adenoiditis

J35.03

Chronic Adenotonsillitis

J35.3

Adenotonsillar Hypertrophy

J35.1

Tonsil Hypertrophy

J35.2

Adenoid Hypertrophy

J36

Peritonsillar Abscess

K11.21

Sialoadenitis

K11.7

Sialorrhea

EAR

H60.509

Otitis Externa

H60.60

Chronic Otitis Externa

H61.20

Impacted Cerumen

H65.199

Acute OM w/ eff

H65.20

Chr. Ser. OM

H65.499

Chr OM w/ eff

H69.80

ETD Dysfunction

H66.009

Acute Purulent OM

H70.009

Acute Mastoiditis

H70.10

Chronic Mastoiditis

H72.90

TM Perforation

H74.09

Tympanosclerosis, TM only

H74.09

Tympanosclerosis, TM & Ossicles

H71.20

Cholesteatoma

H81.13

BPPV

H92.10

Otorrhea

H92.09

Otalgia

R42

Dizziness/Vertigo

T16.9XXA

Foreign Body - EAR

LARYNX

J02.9

Acute Pharyngitis

R06.1

Stridor

D14.1

Laryngeal Papilloma

V12.69

TVC Paralysis

J38.1

TVC Polyp

J38.3

TVC Nodules

K21.9

LPR/GERD

R49.0

Hoarseness/Dysphonia

J38.6

Subglottic Stenosis

Q31.0

Cong Web Larynx

K13.79

VPI

LOWER AIRWAY

R05

Chronic Cough

R06.2

Shortness of Breath

J96.10

Resp. Failure, Chronic

J39.8

Tracheal Stenosis

J98.8

Airway Obstruction

D14.2

Benign Neoplasm Trachea

T17.908A

FB airway

SLEEP/PEDS OTHER

G47.33

OSA

G47.30

Unspecified Sleep Apnea

R06.83

Snoring

Q34.9

Larynx & Tracheal Anomalies

Q38.1

Angiogliosis

Q89.2

Thyroglossal Duct Cyst

Q18.0

Branchial Cleft Cyst

R22.1

Swelling, Lump, Mass of H&N

R59.0

Lymphadenopathy

G51.0

Bell's Palsy

G47.30

SDB

RHINOLOGY

J02.9

Acute Pharyngitis

J01.10

Acute Frontal Sinusitis

J01.20

Acute Ethmoid Sinusitis

J01.30

Acute Sphenoid Sinusitis

J01.40

Acute PCA Sinusitis

J34.2

Deviated Nasal Septum, Acquired

J33.1

Polypoid Degeneration

J33.8

Polyp of Sinus

J31.0

Chr Rhinitis

J32.0

Chr Max Sinusitis

J32.9

Chr Pan-sinusitis

J30.0

Allergic/Vasomotor rhinitis

J34.3

Hypertrophy of Turbinates

J34.89

Other Dis of Nasal Cavity

M95.0

Acquired Nasal Deformity

R43.9

Disturbance of Smell Sensation

R04.0

Epistaxis

T17.1XXA

Foreign Body - NOSE

HEARING

H90.11

Cond HL, Unilateral

H90.0

Cond HL, Bilateral

H90.3

SNHL

H90.41

SNHL, Unilateral

H90.42

SNHL, Unspecified

H90.8

Mixed HL, Unspecified

H90.71

Mixed HL, Unilateral

H90.6

Mixed HL, Bilateral

R62.50

Developmental Delay

R13.10

Dysphagia, Unspecified

R13.11

Dysphagia, Oral Phase

R13.12

Dysphagia, Oropharyngeal

R13.13

Dysphagia, Pharyngeal

R13.19

Dysphagia, Other

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PATIENT NAME :			
Airway Level 1			
Laryngoscopy (diag) FL	31572		
Laryngoscopy direct (except prebored)	31525		
Laryngoscopy, Micro	31526		
Tracheoscopy, Diag Flex/Higid	31622		
Tracheobronchoscopy (via Stoma)	31615		
Airway Level 2			
Laryngoscopy dilation (initial)	31528		
Laryngoscopy, dilation (subsequent)	31529		
Laryngoscopy, w/Biopsy Microscopy	31536		
Laryngoscopy/Tumor Exc'n, Microscopy (RFA)	31541		
Laryngoscopy, w/INI Microscopy	31571		
Type 1 Laryngeal Cleft repair	31599		
Supraglottoplasty	31561		
Bronchoscopy, Stoma GT removal	31640		
Tracheostomy Stoma GT removal	31785		
Bronchoscopy, w/Biopsy	31625		
Bronchoscopy, w/dilation	31630		
Bronchoscopy, w/rem FBDT	31635		
Bronchoscopy, w/ventilator relief w/ laser (VSL)	31641		
Bronchoscopy, w/ Lavage	31624		
Lungbiopsy with biopsy	43181		
Airway Level 3			
Laryngoplasty w/ keel for web	31580		
Laryngoplasty (w/stent, graft) (for stenosis)	31551		
Laryngoplasty cricoid split (ACS)	31587		
Laryngoplasty (Other)	31581		
Cartilage graft	20976		
Tracheal resection cervical	31750		
Tracheal resection cervical	31750		
Stoma/TCF Level 1			
TCF closure, w/fin. Repair	31827		
Tracheostomy Stoma revision (SM)	31613		
Trach Stoma REV (Complex) (fin)	31614		
Trach scar revision	31830		
Nasal Obstruction			
Nasal endoscopy, diagnostic	31231		
Submucosal Reduction of Inferior Turbinate	30802		
Submucosal Reduction of Inferior Turbinate	30140		
Rem FBDT, nose (DR) under GA	30310		
Septoplasty	30526		
Nasal Biopsy	30100		
Direct Removal of Nasal Poly	30110		
Direct Nasal Polypectomy (excisional)	30115		
EB removal nose	30310		
Sinus			
Nasal Endo. (Diagnostic Sinus)	31231		
Nasal Endo "polypectomy/debride"	31237		
Maxillary sinus tap & culture	31000		
Nasal/sinus endoscopy maxillary antrostomy + TIS REM	31267		
Nasal Endo. W/ ethmoid Partial	31254		
Nasal Endo. W/ethmoid Total	31255		
Balloon Sinuplasty - Maxillary	31295		
Balloon Sinuplasty - Frontal	31296		
Balloon Sinuplasty - Sphenoid	31297		
Nasal/sinus endoscopy w/ frontal polypectomy	31276		
Nasal/sinus endoscopy w/ subnasal w/ tissue rem	31287		
Nasal/sinus endoscopy w/ subnasal w/ tissue rem	31288		
Resection of concha bullosa	31240		
Image Guidance Used	61795		
Epistaxis			
Nasal endoscopy, diagnostic	31231		
Nasal endoscopy, epistaxis control	31238		
Control nasal hemorrhage, simple (topical)	30901		
Control nasal hem. Posterior out.	30902		
Control nasal hem. Posterior out.	30903		
Chanal Atresia			
Repair choanal atresia, Intranasal	30549		
Excision of choanal atresia or choanal removal	30560		
Tonsils/Ads			
Adenoid, Under 12	42830		
Tonsil, Under 12	42825		
T&A, Under 12	42820		
Adenoid, 12 & over	42811		
Tonsil, 12 & over	42826		
T&A, 12 & over	42821		
Adenoid Revision <12	42835		
Adenoid Revision 12 and up	42836		
Advanced Sleep Level 1			
Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty	42870		
Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty	42900		
Neck Masses			
Neck Lymph node biopsy deep, central	38510		
Excision, cystic hygroma (surgery/cervical)	38550		
Excision, cystic hygroma, deep neck space dissection	38555		
Excision, branchial cleft cyst (superficial)	42810		
Excision, branchial cleft cyst (deep)	42815		
Excision, thyroglossal duct cyst (superficial)	40280		
Excision, thyroglossal duct cyst, (deep)	40281		
Exc. /Excision Lesion of Thymus	42808		
Biopsy, soft tissue of neck or thorax	21550		
Excision tumor/neck or thorax (superficial)	21555		
Excision tumor/neck or thorax (deep)	21556		
Radical resection of tumor neck or thorax	21557		
Neck lymph node biopsy superficial	38500		
Frenulum			
Uvular frenotomy (excision)	41010		
Frenectomy (excision)	41115		
Frenoplasty (tumes)	41520		
Labial frenectomy	40806		
Glosso SMO/Para			
Chondrodermatitis (MUS/Parotid)	64611		
UV guidance	70942		
Other (Check ONE)			
Excision of Submandibular gland	21550		
Bandula Marsupialization	42409		
Bandula Excision	42408		
Excision mucocoele, vestibule (mouth w/ repair)	40812		
Neck lymph node abscess (RD Fat)	38300		
Neck lymph node abscess (RD Fat)	38305		
Control post-tonsillectomy bleed	42960		
Closed Nasal Reduction	21320		
Repair of nasal vestibular stenosis	30465		
RD peristomal abscess	42700		
RD retropharyngeal abscess, retropharyngeal abscess	42720		
RD retropharyngeal abscess, retropharyngeal abscess	42725		
RD Auricular Abscess/Hematomas, simple	69000		
RD Auricular Abscess/Hematomas, complex	69005		
Lesion Excision	31442		
Ligation of Parotid duct	42665		
Ligation of Parotid duct	42500		
Ears			
EMT	69437		
Microscope	69990		
Binocular microscope (w/ general anesthesia)	92504		
TE removal requiring GA	69424		
T&A repair w/ patch	69610		
Removal cerumen	69210		
Removal FBDT, E.A.C. without general anesthesia (RD)	69200		
Removal FBDT, E.A.C. with general anesthesia (RD)	69205		
Myringotomy, bilateral under 12 (RD)	69421		
Excision soft tissue lesion EAC	69145		
EAC (RD)	69070		
Tympanoplasty	69631		
Tympanoplasty w/ OCB	69632		
Pneumococcal pit excision	11440		
SABR			
INI exam under GA	31502		
INI/CO2 OTC	69990		
SABR, complete/hemisection	92185		
CHL, uterine	92587		

Anesthesia Type:
GETA
LMA
MASK
MAC
SPONTANEOUS
OTHER _____

Duration Time: _____

Type Of Patient:
ICU
I/P: OVER 1 DAY STAY
O/P IN A BED (home after 23hrs)
O/P (HOME)

Equipment Needed:
COBLATOR W/EZ VIEW
EAR MICRO
OTHER _____

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Example:

New Patient, eval for T&A

- Parent is historian
 - Level 3 at least
- OSA symptoms for > 1year, worsening over 3-6 mo
 - (chronic condition, exacerbation & will need surgery)
- Has reactive airway disease
 - (Comorbidity affecting surgical risk)
- Adenoidal hypertrophy difficult to determine visually
 - Needs Nasal endoscopy to confirm dx - 31231

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Example:

New Patient, eval for T&A

- Parent is historian
- OSA symptoms for > 1year, worsening over 3-6 mo
- Has reactive airway disease
- Adenoidal hypertrophy difficult to determine visually
- Finally – severe exacerbation vs exacerbation?
 - Major Surgery needed BY DEFINITION is severe

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Pediatric ENT evaluation record

Evaluation takes place with guardians providing answers to questions and filling in all background information unless otherwise noted, therefore it is considered that PARENTS/GUARDIANS ACTED AS INDEPENDENT HISTORIAN/S FOR THIS EVALUATION. (Level 3)

Child able to give age-appropriate answers and incorporated into note as well.

Of note, we discussed medications and medical management as needed, including possible prescriptions. (Level 4)

Note, visit complexity inherent to the evaluation and management IS DOCUMENTED WHEN associated with the medical care services provided in THIS clinic that service the continuing focal point of medical care services that are including the ongoing care related to this patient's single (or at times multiple) potentially serious condition or complex condition (requiring surgery at times). (G2211)

5 y.o. female with adenotonsillar hypertrophy, sleep disordered breathing. Mild to moderate obstructive sleep apnea.

This **severe exacerbation / progression of a chronic illness** has significant risk of morbidity (risk classified as MAJOR SURGERY by CMS) and may require hospital (surgical) level of care.

Risks: osa, ath

Recommend Tonsil and adenoid removal

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<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/PDF>

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Global Surgery Calculator

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Method 1: To determine when the global period ends for a major surgical procedure with a global period, please enter the date of surgery. A date picker box will then help guide you through the rest of the process.

Method 2: You can look up your 2024 procedure code global days requirement by using this tool. Enter your procedure code. Alternatively, you can go straight to our [Medicare Physicians Fee Schedule Tool](#) and lookup your code there.

Enter the Date

mm/dd/yyyy



90 Days

10 Days

Calculate

Enter your Procedure Code

Last Updated On 01/02/2024

Lookup

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Level Of Service Calculator

Patient type: **New** Established Service type: OFFICE/OUTPATIENT

Medical Decision Making Time List + Additional E/M

Level	Problems Addressed	Amount and/or Complexity	Risk
2	☐ 1 Self-limited or minor problem	☒ Minimal or None	☒ Minimal
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	☐ 1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment ☐ 1 acute or chronic illness or injury that poses a threat to life or bodily function	☐ Extensive (two from below) - Tests, documents, or independent historians (modify in level 3) ☐ Independent interpretation of tests completed by another healthcare professional ☐ Discussion of management or test interpretation with external healthcare professional	☐ High • Elective major surgery with identified risk factors • Emergency major surgery • Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity • Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis • Decision regarding hospitalization • Parenteral controlled substances

Medical Decision Making Level: 2 Time Level: None selected
Code to be added: OFFICE/OUTPT VISIT, NEW, LEV. II [99202 CPT®]

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If you don't remember anything else from my talk, remember this:

If the discussion for surgery involves a procedure with
a 90 day global period,

it is by definition MAJOR SURGERY

and will automatically be level 4 or level 5 E&M code

With ANY comorbidities, even ones you personally do not manage but which
will factor at some point (for example to Anesthesia service), it will be a 5

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CPT Code	Service Description	Office	Facility	RVUs (Non-Facility/Facility)*
Office or Other Outpatient Visit, New Patient^a				
99202 [†]	Straightforward medical decision making or 15-29 minutes	\$72.86	\$48.12	2.15/1.42
99203 [†]	Low level of medical decision making or 30-44 minutes	\$112.85	\$83.03	3.33/2.45
99204 [†]	Moderate level of medical decision making or 45-59 minutes	\$167.42	\$132.17	4.94/3.94
99205 [†]	High level of medical decision making or 60-74 minutes	\$220.96	\$181.31	6.52/5.35
Office or Other Outpatient Visit, Established Patient^a				
99211	Evaluation and management (E/M) that may not require the presence of a physician or other qualified health care professional (QHP)	\$23.38	\$8.81	0.69/0.26
99212 [†]	Straightforward medical decision making or 10-19 minutes	\$56.93	\$35.58	1.68/1.05
99213 [†]	Low level of medical decision making or 20-29 minutes	\$90.83	\$66.10	2.68/1.95
99214 [†]	Moderate level of medical decision making or 30-39 minutes	\$128.44	\$97.60	3.79/2.88
99215 [†]	High level of medical decision making or 40-54 minutes	\$179.96	\$143.35	5.31/4.23
Office or Other Outpatient Consultations, New or Established Patient^b				
99242 [†]	Straightforward medical decision making or at least 20 minutes	\$76.25	\$56.26	2.25/1.66
99243 [†]	Low level of medical decision making or at least 30 minutes	\$114.21	\$88.79	3.37/2.62
99244 [†]	Moderate level of medical decision making or at least 40 minutes	\$163.35	\$135.56	4.82/4.00
99245 [†]	High level of medical decision making or at least 55 minutes	\$213.17	\$181.31	6.29/5.35

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Value-added Modifier: 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**

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<https://www.aapc.com/tools/rvu-calculator.aspx>



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Work RVU Calculator (Relative Value Units)

The work RVU calculator provides quick analysis of work relative value units associated with CPT® and HCPCS Level II codes. By entering the appropriate code and number of units associated with it, you will receive the total work RVUs and individual work RVU value for that code. The RVU calculation results are based on the values supplied by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in the January 2024 national Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) relative value file.

The Importance of RVUs

Work RVUs are the most frequently used component of the Resource-Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS). Different from practice expense RVUs and malpractice RVUs, work RVUs — based on wage data for multiple specialty occupation categories — provide a measure of the physician work involved with performing a service or procedure represented by a CPT® or HCPCS Level II code.

On a common scale, physician work RVUs compare the work involved with performing a service to all other services and procedures. For example, removing a foreign body from an eye (CPT® code 65205) is assigned 0.49 work RVUs. But performing a minor eye wound repair (65270) is valued at 1.95 work RVUs. The work required to repair the eye wound, then, is roughly four times greater than the work involved with the foreign body removal.

What Measures Are Included in Work RVUs?

Work RVUs assess physician labor on several levels — accounting for technical skill, physical effort, mental effort, judgment, and stress related to patient outcome. But

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What are RVUs? Why wRVU?

CPT Code	Number of Units	wRVU
99204	1	2.60
99205	1	3.50
99213	1	1.30
99214	1	1.92
G2211	1	0.33
31231	1	1.10
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1. new pt, needs script

2. new patient, needs scope, T&A with asthma

3. return for tube check, with g2211

4. returns for refractory tube otorrhea – gets script

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=10.75 wRVU

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Questions, discussion, opinions? What did I say WRONG?

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