

HISTORY	Circle appropriate numbers			
HPI: Each letter in () only used once <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onset (T) • Location (L) • Duration (timing and frequency) (D) • Characteristic {quality (Q), associated signs and symptoms (A), severity or pain scale (S), context (C) = activity/events} • Aggravating Factors (makes it worse) (M) • Relieving Factors (make it better) (M) • Treatment (tried for problem) (M) 				Expanded 4+ HPI Elements of TLDQASCM
Areas of PFSH = circle areas that apply: Past medical (P), family (F), social (S) History (H)				1 element in 2 areas
ROS—Circle all that apply: (14) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitutional • Eyes • ENT (Ears, Nose, Mouth, Throat) • Cardiovascular • Respiratory • GI • Musculoskeletal • Skin (includes breast) • Neuro • Psych • Endocrine • Lymph/Hemo • GU • Allergy/Immuno 				10+
To determine the history level, draw a line down the column with the circle farthest to the LEFT				C Comprehensive
PHYSICAL EXAM 1995 CMS Guidelines				
Systems (12) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitutional • Eyes • ENT (Ears, Nose, Mouth, Throat) • Cardiovascular • Respiratory • GI • GU • Musculoskeletal • Skin • Neuro • Psych • Hematologic, lymphatic, immunological 				Assessed Systems or Area
				8+
				C Comprehensive
Count either Systems to left or Body Areas listed below <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Head, including face * Chest, including breasts and axillae * Abdomen * Neck * Back, including spine * Genitalia, groin, buttocks * Each extremity 				

MEDICAL DECISION MAKING: Draw a line down the column with 2 or 3 circles and circle Decision-Making Level OR draw a line down the column with the center circle and circle the Decision-Making Level (* if there aren't at least 2 in the same column, go to the LOWEST column of the 2 highest)				
Diagnosis or Treatment Options	Minimal	Limited	Multiple	Extensive
				Patient high complexity & possible life or limb threatening
Complexity of Data	Minimal to none	Category 1: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s) (must meet 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source • Review of the result(s) of each unique test • Ordering of each unique test OR Category 2 - Assessment requiring an independent historian	Category 1: Tests, documents, or independent historian(s) (must meet 3) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source • Review test results • Ordering of each unique test • Assessment requiring an independent historian(s) OR Category 2: Independent interpretation of tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent interpretation of a test performed by another provider OR Category 3: Discussion of management or test interpretation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of management or test interpretation with external provider 	
Must meet requirements	0	1 category out of 2	1 category out of 3	2 categories out of 3
Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of test • EKG/EEG • Chest x-ray • US • KOH prep • Apply ACE wrap or dressing • Therapeutic modalities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low complexity and low risk • Physiologic tests not under stress (PFT) • Non-cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast (e.g. barium enema) • Superficial needle biopsies • Clinical laboratory tests requiring arterial puncture • Skin biopsies • Minor surgery with no identified risk factors • PT, OT • IV fluids without additives • OTC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderate complexity • Rx Management (new script or changing existing Rx) • Needle incisional biopsy • LP, Thoracentesis • Endoscopies\minor surgery • Elective surgery • Closed fracture or dislocation without manipulation • Prescription medications • IV fluids w/additives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High complexity • Admission to hospital • Emergency major surgery • Parenteral controlled substance • Drugs requiring monitoring for toxicities • Decision to not resuscitate or stop
(Determined by presenting problem, data, and treatment) <i>Choose highest risk</i>				
MDM Level	Straight forward	Low	Moderate	High
E/M for ER	99282	99283	99284	99285
E/M for clinic	99202 99212	99203 99213	99204 99214	99205 99215
OVERALL OUTPATIENT ENCOUNTER LEVEL				
E/M by time or by MDM		Presenting problem severity on MDM		
		99282	Straight Forward	
		99283	Low	
		99284	Moderate	
		99285	High	