

	Chief Complaint must be documented.	Problem Focused	Exp. Problem Focused	Detailed	Comprehensive
HISTORY	HPI: ____Location ____Severity ____Timing ____Modifying Factor ____Quality ____Duration ____Context ____Associated sign/symptom	1-3	1-3	4+	4+
	Review of Systems: ____Constitutional ____Eyes ____ENMT ____Musculo ____Neuro ____Integumentary ____GI ____GU ____Cardio ____Resp ____Hem/Lymph ____Endo ____Psych ____Allergy/ Immuno	None	1	2-9	10+ or "All others reviewed & negative"
	____Past History: medications, past illness, surgeries, allergies to meds ____Family History: medical events/disease in family ____Social History: marital status, education, use of drugs, tobacco, etc.	None	None	1	3*

*Complete PFSH: 2 HX areas for Est pts. Office, Domiciliary, Home, Emergency Dept, Subseq Nursing Facility

3 HX areas for New pts. Office, Consultation, Initial Hospital, Hospital Obs, Comp Nursing facility assessment

95 EXAM	Body Areas ____Head/Face ____Chest/Breast ____Abdomen ____Back/Spine ____Neck ____Genitalia/groin/buttocks ____Extremities Organ Systems ____Constitutional ____Eyes ____ENMT ____CV ____Resp ____GI ____GU ____Skin ____Neuro ____Musculoskeletal ____Psych ____Hem/Lymph/Immuno	1 Area or Organ system	2-7 Areas &/or Organ systems	2-7 Areas &/or Organ Systems; 1 in Detail	8+ Organ Systems Only
97 EXAM	ENMT Bullets listed on back.	1-5 bullets	6+ bullets	12 bullets	All bullets in shaded borders & 1 in each unshaded

BOX A: Number Of Diagnosis or Management Options (N x P = R)				
Problems	Number	Points	Results	
Self-limited or minor (stable, improved or worsening)	Max = 2	1		
Est. problem: stable or improving		1		
Est problem: worsening		2		
New problem: no additional work-up planned	Max = 1	3		
New problem: additional work-up planned		4		
Bring to line A in Final Result for MDM			Total	
BOX B: Amount and/or Complexity of Data to be reviewed			Points	
Review and/or order of clinical lab test			1	
Review and/or order of tests in the radiology section of CPT			1	
Review and/or order of tests in the medicine section of CPT			1	
Discussion of test results with performing physician			1	
Decision to obtain old records and/or obtaining history from someone other than patient			1	
Review and summarization of old records and/or obtaining history from someone other than patient and/or discussion of case with another health care provider			2	
Independent visualization, tracing or specimen itself (not simply review of report)			2	
Bring to line B in Final Result for MDM			Total	
BOX D: Final Result for Complexity of Medical Decision Making: 2 of 3 required				
A Number of diagnoses or management options	≤ 1 Minimal	2 Limited	3 Multiple	≥ 4 Extensive
B Amount and complexity of data to be reviewed	≤ 1 Minimal	2 Limited	3 Multiple	≥ 4 Extensive
C Risk of complications and/or morbidity or mortality	Minimal	Low	Moderate	High
TYPE OF DECISION MAKING	Straight Forward	Low Complexity	Moderate Complexity	High Complexity

	Presenting Problems	Diagnostic Procedures ordered	Management Options Selected
MINIMAL	• 1 self-limited or minor problem (eg. Cold, insect bite, tinea corporis)	• Lab tests requiring venipuncture • EKG/EEG • Urinalysis • Ultrasound • X-RAYS • KOH prep	• Rest • Gargles • Elastic bandages • Superficial dressings
LOW	• 2 or more self-limited or minor problems • 1 stable chronic illness • Acute uncomplicated illness or injury	• Physiologic test not under stress • Non-cardiovascular imaging • Superficial needle biopsies • Clinical lab test requiring arterial puncture • Skin biopsies	• Over-the-counter drugs • Minor surgery w/ no identified risk factors • Physical therapy • Occupational therapy • IV fluids without additives
MODERATE	• 1 or more chronic illnesses w/mild exacerbation, progression or side effects of treatment • 2 or more stable chronic illnesses • Undiagnosed new problem w/ uncertain prognosis • Acute illness with systemic symptoms • Acute complicated injury	• Physiologic test under stress • Diagnostic endoscopies w/no identified risk factors • Deep needle or incisional biopsy • Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast, no identified risk factors • Obtain fluid from body cavity	• Minor surgery with identified risk factors • Elective major surgery w/o identified risk factors (any approach) • Prescription drug management • Therapeutic nuclear medicine • IV fluids with additives • Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation w/o manipulation
HIGH	• 1 or more chronic illnesses w/ severe exacerbation, progression, side effects of treatment • Acute or chronic illnesses or injuries that pose a threat to life or bodily function • Abrupt change in neurologic status	• Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast w/ identified risk factors • Cardiac electrophysiological tests • Diagnostic endoscopies w/identified risk factors • Discography	• Elective major surgery w/ risk factors (any approach) • Emergency major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) • Parenteral controlled substances • Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity • Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis

System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Constitutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurement of any three of the following seven vital signs: 1) sitting or standing blood pressure, 2) supine blood pressure, 3) pulse rate and regularity, 4) respiration, 5) temperature, 6) height, 7) weight (May be measured and recorded by ancillary staff) General appearance of patient (eg, development, nutrition, body habitus, deformities, attention to grooming) Assessment of ability to communicate (eg, use of sign language or other communication aids) and quality of voice
Head and Face	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspection of head and face (eg, overall appearance, scars, lesions and masses) Palpation and/or percussion of face with notation of presence or absence of sinus tenderness Examination of salivary glands Assessment of facial strength
Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test ocular motility including primary gaze alignment
Ears, Nose, Mouth and Throat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Otoscopic examination of external auditory canals and tympanic membranes including pneumo-otoscopy with notation of mobility of membranes Assessment of hearing with tuning forks and clinical speech reception thresholds (eg, whispered voice, finger rub) External inspection of ears and nose (eg, overall appearance, scars, lesions and masses) Inspection of nasal mucosa, septum and turbinates Inspection of lips, teeth and gums Examination of oropharynx: oral mucosa, hard and soft palates, tongue, tonsils and posterior pharynx (eg, asymmetry, lesions, hydration of mucosal surfaces) Inspection of pharyngeal walls and pyriform sinuses (eg, pooling of saliva, asymmetry, lesions) Examination by mirror of larynx including the condition of the epiglottis, false vocal cords, true vocal cords and mobility of larynx (Use of mirror not required in children) Examination by mirror of nasopharynx including appearance of the mucosa, adenoids, posterior choanae and eustachian tubes (Use of mirror not required in children)
Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examination of neck (eg, masses, overall appearance, symmetry, tracheal position, crepitus) Examination of thyroid (eg, enlargement, tenderness, mass)
Respiratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of respiratory effort (eg, intercostal retractions, use of accessory muscles, diaphragmatic movement) Auscultation of lungs (eg, breath sounds, adventitious sounds, rubs)
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auscultation of heart with notation of abnormal sounds and murmurs Examination of peripheral vascular system by observation (eg, swelling, varicosities) and palpation (eg, pulses, temperature, edema, tenderness)
Lymphatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palpation of lymph nodes in neck, axillae, groin and/or other location
Neurologic/ Psychiatric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test cranial nerves with notation of any deficits <p>Brief assessment of mental status including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orientation to time, place and person, Mood and affect (eg, depression, anxiety, agitation)

Content and Documentation Requirements

Level of Exam

Problem Focused

Perform and Document:

One to five elements identified by a bullet.

Expanded Problem Focused

At least six elements identified by a bullet.

Detailed

At least twelve elements identified by a bullet.

Comprehensive

Perform **all** elements identified by a bullet; document every element in each box with a shaded border and at least one element in each box with an unshaded border.