

HISTORY	Chief Complaint must be documented.	Problem Focused	Exp. Problem Focused	Detailed	Comprehensive
	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	<b>Neurological</b> 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

BOX C: Risk of Complication and/or Morbidity or Mortality			
	Presenting Problems	Diagnostic Procedures ordered	Management Options Selected
MINIMAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 self-limited or minor problem (eg. Cold, insect bite, tinea corporis)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lab tests requiring venipuncture</li> <li>EKG/EEG</li> <li>Urinalysis</li> <li>Ultrasound</li> <li>X-RAYS</li> <li>KOH prep</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rest</li> <li>Gargles</li> <li>Elastic bandages</li> <li>Superficial dressings</li> </ul>
LOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 or more self-limited or minor problems</li> <li>1 stable chronic illness</li> <li>Acute uncomplicated illness or injury</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physiologic test not under stress</li> <li>Non-cardiovascular imaging</li> <li>Superficial needle biopsies</li> <li>Clinical lab test requiring arterial puncture</li> <li>Skin biopsies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over-the-counter drugs</li> <li>Minor surgery w/ no identified risk factors</li> <li>Physical therapy</li> <li>Occupational therapy</li> <li>IV fluids without additives</li> </ul>
MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 or more chronic illnesses w/mild exacerbation, progression or side effects of treatment</li> <li>2 or more stable chronic illnesses</li> <li>Undiagnosed new problem w/ uncertain prognosis</li> <li>Acute illness with systemic symptoms</li> <li>Acute complicated injury</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physiologic test under stress</li> <li>Diagnostic endoscopies w/no identified risk factors</li> <li>Deep needle or incisional biopsy</li> <li>Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast, no identified risk factors</li> <li>Obtain fluid from body cavity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minor surgery with identified risk factors</li> <li>Elective major surgery (open, percut, or endoscopic) no identified risk factors</li> <li>Prescription drug management</li> <li>Therapeutic nuclear medicine</li> <li>IV fluids with additives</li> <li>Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation w/o manipulation</li> </ul>
HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 or more chronic illnesses w/ severe exacerbation, progression, side effects of treatment</li> <li>Acute or chronic illnesses or injuries that pose a threat to life or bodily function</li> <li>Abrupt change in neurologic status</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast w/ identified risk factors</li> <li>Cardiac electrophysiological tests</li> <li>Diagnostic endoscopies w/identified risk factors</li> <li>Discography</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elective major surgery (open, percut or endoscopic) w/ identified risk factors</li> <li>Emergency major surgery (open, percut, or endoscopic)</li> <li>Parenteral controlled substances</li> <li>Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity</li> <li>Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis</li> </ul>

System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Constitutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Measurement of <b>any three of the following seven</b> 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)</li> <li>• General appearance of patient (eg, development, nutrition, body habitus, deformities, attention to grooming)</li> </ul>
Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ophthalmoscopic examination of optic discs (eg, size, C/D ratio, appearance) and posterior segments (eg, vessel changes, exudates, hemorrhages) of conjunctivae and lids</li> </ul>
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of carotid arteries (eg, pulse amplitude, bruits)</li> <li>• Auscultation of heart with notation of abnormal sounds and murmurs</li> <li>• Examination of peripheral vascular system by observation (eg, swelling, varicosities) and palpation (eg, pulses, temperature, edema, tenderness)</li> </ul>
Musculoskeletal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of gait and station</li> </ul> <p>Assessment of motor function including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Muscle strength in upper and lower extremities</li> <li>• Muscle tone in upper and lower extremities (eg, flaccid, cog wheel, spastic) with notation of any atrophy or abnormal movements (eg, fasciculation, tardive dyskinesia)</li> </ul>
Neurologic	<p>Evaluation of higher integrative functions including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orientation to time, place and person</li> <li>• Recent and remote memory</li> <li>• Attention span and concentration</li> <li>• Language (eg, naming objects, repeating phrases, spontaneous speech)</li> <li>• Fund of knowledge (eg, awareness of current events, past history, vocabulary)</li> </ul> <p>Test the following cranial nerves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2nd cranial nerve (eg, visual acuity, visual fields, fundi)</li> <li>• 3rd, 4th and 6th cranial nerves (eg, pupils, eye movements)</li> <li>• 5th cranial nerve (eg, facial sensation, corneal reflexes)</li> <li>• 7th cranial nerve (eg, facial symmetry, strength)</li> <li>• 8th cranial nerve (eg, hearing with tuning fork, whispered voice and/or finger rub)</li> <li>• 9th cranial nerve (eg, spontaneous or reflex palate movement)</li> <li>• 11th cranial nerve (eg, shoulder shrug strength)</li> <li>• 12th cranial nerve (eg, tongue protrusion)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of sensation (eg, by touch, pin, vibration, proprioception)</li> <li>• Examination of deep tendon reflexes in upper and lower extremities with notation of pathological reflexes (eg, Babinski)</li> <li>• Test coordination (eg, finger/nose, heel/knee/shin, rapid alternating movements in the upper and lower extremities, evaluation of fine motor coordination in young children)</li> </ul>

### Content and Documentation Requirements

#### Level of Exam

#### Perform and Document:

Problem Focused

**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.