

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>Respiratory</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>
Ears, Nose, Mouth and Throat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection of nasal mucosa, septum and turbinates</li> <li>• Inspection of teeth and gums</li> <li>• Examination of oropharynx: oral mucosa, salivary glands, hard and soft palates, tongue, tonsils and posterior pharynx</li> </ul>
Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of neck (eg, masses, overall appearance, symmetry, tracheal position, crepitus)</li> <li>• Examination of thyroid (eg, enlargement, tenderness, mass)</li> <li>• Examination of jugular veins (eg, distension; a, v or cannon a waves)</li> </ul>
Respiratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection of chest with notation of symmetry and expansion</li> <li>• Assessment of respiratory effort (eg, intercostal retractions, use of accessory muscles, diaphragmatic movement)</li> <li>• Percussion of chest (eg, dullness, flatness, hyperresonance)</li> <li>• Palpation of chest (eg, tactile fremitus)</li> <li>• Auscultation of lungs (eg, breath sounds, adventitious sounds, rubs)</li> </ul>
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
Gastrointestinal (Abdomen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of abdomen with notation of presence of masses or tenderness</li> <li>• Examination of liver and spleen</li> </ul>
Lymphatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Palpation of lymph nodes in neck, axillae, groin, and/or other location</li> </ul>
Musculoskeletal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of muscle strength and tone (eg, flaccid, cog wheel, spastic) with notation of any atrophy and abnormal movements</li> <li>• Examination of gait and station</li> </ul>
Extremities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection and palpation of digits and nails (eg, clubbing, cyanosis, inflammation, petechiae, ischemia, infections, nodes)</li> </ul>
Skin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection and/or palpation of skin and subcutaneous tissue (eg, rashes, lesions, ulcers, ecchymoses, bruises)</li> </ul>
Neurologic/ Psychiatric	<p>Brief assessment of mental status including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orientation to time, place and person</li> <li>• Mood and affect (eg, depression, anxiety, agitation)</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.