

Smoking-Cessation Billing and Diagnostic Counseling Codes

Private-Payer Codes

Private-payer benefits are subject to specific plan policies. Before providing service, benefit-eligibility and payer-coding requirements should be verified.

Billing Codes:

CPT 99406 Intermediate smoking & tobacco-use cessation counseling visit (more than 3 minutes, up to 10 minutes)

CPT 99407 Intensive smoking & tobacco-use cessation counseling visit (more than 10 minutes)

Diagnostic Codes:

ICD-9 305.1 Tobacco-use disorder

WI Medicaid / BadgerCare+ Codes

Before providing service, benefit-eligibility and payer-coding requirements should be verified.

Billing Codes:

CPT 99201-99205 New patients

CPT 99211-99215 Established patients

Sub-Increments:

* Intermediate smoking and tobacco-use cessation counseling visit (more than 3 minutes, up to 10 minutes)

* Intensive smoking and tobacco-use cessation counseling visit (more than 10 minutes)

Diagnostic Codes:

ICD-9 305.1 Tobacco-use disorder

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:

1. **The combination of counseling and medication to quit smoking is more effective than either alone.**
2. **Counseling for just 3 minutes can increase the rate of abstinence.**

Counseling your patients to quit smoking is crucial.



“Talking to smokers...I don’t have the time.”

When you make the time to talk to your patients about smoking, you save lives. Help them stop.

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