

AMA Summary of 2022 CPT Changes

Additions, Revisions, and Deletions

The new 2022 CPT codes were released. They go into effect on January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022. There are 405 changes that include 249 new codes, 63 deleted codes and 93 codes that have been revised.

All of the CPT sections have changes - except for Respiratory and Category II. The chapters below have the most impactful changes.

- **Evaluation and Management:** 5 new codes, 10 revisions. Codes 99424, 99425, 99426, and 99427 were created for principal care management, to allow physicians to report care management services for patients with chronic conditions to improve monitoring.
- Surgery: 27 new codes, 19 revisions, and 8 deletions. Key changes include new guidelines and definitions added to posterior/posterolateral techniques for spine procedures, new codes for the exclusion of left atrial appendage, new codes for drug-induced sleep endoscopy, changes to codes
- Radiology: 4 new codes, 1 revision, 3 deletions.
- **Pathology and Laboratory:** 32 new codes, 46 revisions, and 3 deletions. New codes for the pathology clinical consultation subsection and a medical decision making table.
- **Medicine:** 10 new. Codes for COVID-19 vaccines have been updated to reflect type of vaccine and number of doses. There also are new guidelines and codes for the cardiac catheterization for congenital heart defects subsection.
- Category III: 9 new codes. New codes were created for emerging and new technology, including noncontact near-infrared spectroscopy studies of flap or wound, transnasal esophagogastroduodenoscopy, and donor hysterectomy.

There are additional changes throughout CPT in the sections beyond the ones outlined above. You can find all Level I additions and revisions to each section on the tabs throughout this workbook.

Starting January 1, 2022, in order to be reimbursed correctly, and avoid being targeted for a payer audit, it is essential that you review and accurately incorporate ALL relevant 2022 CPT procedural code changes.

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