

A Number of Diagnoses or Treatment Options			
Problems to Exam Physician	Number X Points = Result		
Self-limited or minor (stable, improved or worsening)	1		Max= 2
Est. problem (to examiner); stable, improved	1		
Est. problem (to examiner); worsening	2		
New problem (to examiner); no additional workup planned	3		Max= 3
New problem (to examiner); additional workup planned	4		
Total			

Bring total to **Line A** in Final Result for Complexity

C Amount and/or complexity of Data to Be Reviewed	
Data to be Reviewed	Points
Review and/or order of clinical Lab Test(s)	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 obtain 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 of image, tracing or specimen itself (not simply review of report)	2
Total	

Bring total to **Line C** in Final Result for Complexity

B Risk of Complications and/or Morbidity or Mortality			
Level of Risk	Presenting Problem(s)	Diagnostic Procedure(s) Ordered	Management Options Selected
MINIMAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One self limited or minor problem, e.g. cold, insect bite, tinea corporis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laboratory tests requiring venipuncture Chest x-rays EKG/EEG Urinalysis Ultrasound, e.g. echo KOH prep 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rest Gargles Elastic bandages Superficial dressings
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two or more self limited or minor problems One stable chronic illness e.g. well controlled HTN, non-insulin dependent diabetes, cataract, BPH Acute uncomplicated illness or injury e.g. cystitis, allergic rhinitis, simple sprain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiologic tests not under stress, e.g. pulm. Function tests Non-cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast, e.g. barium enema Superficial needle biopsies Clinical laboratory tests requiring arterial puncture Skin biopsies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over the counter drugs Minor surgery with no identified risk factors Physical therapy Occupational therapy IV fluids without additives
MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more chronic illnesses with mild exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment Two or more stable chronic illnesses Undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis, e.g. lump in breast Acute illness with systemic symptoms, e.g. pyelonephritis, pneumonia, colitis Acute complicated injury, e.g. head injury with brief loss of consciousness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiologic tests under stress, e.g. cardiac stress test fetal contraction stress test Diagnostic endoscopies with no identified risk factors Deep needle or incisional biopsy Cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast and no identified risk factors, e.g. arteriogram, cardiac cath Obtain fluid from body cavity, e.g. lumbar puncture, thoracentesis, culdocentesis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor surgery with identified risk factors Elective major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) with no identified risk factors Prescription drug management Therapeutic nuclear medicine IV Fluids w/additives Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation without manipulation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more chronic illnesses with severe exacerbation, progression, or side effects of tx. Acute or chronic illnesses or injuries that may pose a threat to life or bodily function, e.g. multiple trauma, acute MI, pulmonary embolus, severe respiratory distress, progressive severe rheumatoid arthritis, psychiatric illness with potential threat to self or others, peritonitis, acute renal failure An abrupt change in neurologic status, e.g. seizure, TIA, weakness, or sensory loss 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast with identified risk factors Cardiac electrophysiological tests Diagnostic endoscopies with identified risk factors Discography 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elective major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) with identified risk factors 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

Bring result to **Line B** in Final Result for Complexity

Final Result for Complexity

A	Number diagnoses or treatment options	≥1 Minimal	2 Limited	3 Multiple	≥4 Extensive
B	Highest Risk	Minimal	Low	Moderate	High
C	Amount and/or complexity of data	>1 Minimal or low	2 Limited	3 Moderate	>4 Extensive
Type of decision making		Straight Forward	Low Complex	Moderate Complex	High Complex

Draw a line down the column with 2 or 3 circles and circle Decision Making Level OR draw a line down the column with the center circle and circle the Decision Making Level

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