

## AUDITING & COMPLIANCE TIP

### Auditing Tip Series #3 of 5

During the next few weeks we will be breaking down an ER record through the audit process. Our series will include a breakdown of the History, Exam, MDM, and Medical Necessity of the encounter. This week we will cover the exam portion of the encounter.

Let's review the required components and how they stack up for the exam for an ER patient compared to that of the new patient.

EXAM COMPARISON		
99201	PF	99281
99202	EPF	99282, 99283
99203	D	99284
99204, 99205	COMP	99285

### PHYSICAL EXAM:

Nursing note and vitals were noted and reviewed. Vitals appear to be stable at this time.

Constitutional: He is oriented to person, place, and time. He appears well-developed and well-nourished. No distress.

HEENT:

Head: Normocephalic and atraumatic

Eyes: Good ocular movement, equal and reactive to light

Neck: non-tender

Cardiovascular: normal rate, rhythm, and sound

Abdomen: Exhibits no distension, guarded tender, no rebound

Click the **ER Icon** for the PDF breakdown, but FIRST, audit the exam yourself!



Post your comments about the breakdown and medical necessity of this encounter to the new thread on the forum.

