

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	1 Area or Organ system	2-7 Areas &/or Organ systems	2-7 Areas &/or Organ Systems; 1 in Detail	8+ Organ Systems Only
	Organ Systems __ Constitutional __ Eyes __ ENMT __ CV __ Resp __ GI __ GU __ Skin __ Neuro __ Musculoskeletal __ Psych __ Hem/Lymph/Immuno				

97 EXAM	Hematologic/Lymphatic/Immunologic 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"> 1 self-limited or minor problem (eg. Cold, insect bite, tinea corporis) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lab tests requiring venipuncture EKG/EEG Urinalysis Ultrasound X-RAYS KOH prep 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rest Gargles Elastic bandages Superficial dressings
LOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 or more self-limited or minor problems 1 stable chronic illness Acute uncomplicated illness or injury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiologic test not under stress Non-cardiovascular imaging Superficial needle biopsies Clinical lab test requiring arterial puncture Skin biopsies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over-the-counter drugs Minor surgery w/ no identified risk factors Physical therapy Occupational therapy IV fluids without additives
MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 or more chronic illnesses w/mild exacerbation, progression or side effects of treatment 2 or more stable chronic illnesses Undiagnosed new problem w/ uncertain prognosis Acute illness with systemic symptoms Acute complicated injury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiologic test under stress Diagnostic endoscopies w/no identified risk factors Deep needle or incisional biopsy Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast, no identified risk factors Obtain fluid from body cavity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor surgery with identified risk factors Elective major surgery (open, percut, or endoscopic) no identified risk factors Prescription drug management Therapeutic nuclear medicine IV fluids with additives Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation w/o manipulation
HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 or more chronic illnesses w/ severe exacerbation, progression, side effects of treatment Acute or chronic illnesses or injuries that pose a threat to life or bodily function Abrupt change in neurologic status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cardiovascular imaging studies w/contrast w/ identified risk factors Cardiac electrophysiological tests Diagnostic endoscopies w/identified risk factors Discography 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elective major surgery (open, percut or endoscopic) w/ identified risk factors Emergency major surgery (open, percut, 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

System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Constitutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement of any three of the following seven 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) • General appearance of patient (eg, development, nutrition, body habitus, deformities, attention to grooming)
Head and Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palpation and/or percussion of face with notation of presence or absence of sinus tenderness
Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection of conjunctivae and lids
Ears, Nose, Mouth and Throat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ooscopic examination of external auditory canals and tympanic membranes • Inspection of nasal mucosa, septum and turbinates • Inspection of teeth and gums • Examination of oropharynx: oral mucosa, salivary glands, hard and soft palates, tongue, tonsils and posterior pharynx
Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of neck (eg, masses, overall appearance, symmetry, tracheal position, crepitus) • Examination of thyroid (eg, enlargement, tenderness, mass)
Respiratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of respiratory effort (eg, intercostal retractions, use of accessory muscles, diaphragmatic movement) • Auscultation of lungs (eg, breath sounds, adventitious sounds, rubs)
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auscultation of heart with notation of abnormal sounds and murmurs • Examination of peripheral vascular system by observation (eg, swelling, varicosities) and palpation (eg, pulses, temperature, edema, tenderness)
Gastrointestinal (Abdomen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of abdomen with notation of presence of masses or tenderness • Examination of liver and spleen
Lymphatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palpation of lymph nodes in neck, axillae, groin, and/or other location
Extremities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection and palpation of digits and nails (eg, clubbing, cyanosis, inflammation, petechiae, ischemia, infections, nodes)
Skin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection and/or palpation of skin and subcutaneous tissue (eg, rashes, lesions, ulcers, ecchymoses, bruises)
Neurologic/ Psychiatric	<p>Brief assessment of mental status including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orientation to time, place and person • Mood and affect (eg, depression, anxiety, agitation)

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.