

## Oncology Coding Updates and the 2026 Proposed Physician Fee Schedule

The CPT official code set is maintained by the AMA, and assigned codes will be available once AMA releases the official code set. Therefore, some codes listed below are placeholders until an official alphanumeric code is assigned. HCPCS codes are maintained by CMS on a quarterly basis. ASCO's coding summary is published annually on the Coding and Reimbursement page. Be on the lookout for the full summary in early fall.

### Evaluation and Management

- CMS to expand HCPCS code [G2211](#), reported for visit complexity of evaluation and management services, to home and residence evaluation and management (E/M) visits (99341-99350).
- CMS proposes to delete HCPCS G0136 (Administration of standardized, evidence-based social determinants of health risk assessment tool) as the department believes this service is part of an E/M service.
- Revisions are proposed to Community Health Integration HCPCS code G0019 to remove the phrase “social determinants of health” and replace with “upstream drivers” which refers to social drivers of health, drivers of health, and health-related social needs to promote consistent language through agencies.

### Immunization Counseling

- New CPT codes 90XX1, 90XX2, 90XX3 to report vaccine counseling performed in the absence of the corresponding vaccine administration.
- Medicare has proposed to assign status indicator “I” (definition of I) to the immunization counseling CPT codes. However, they will continue to accept the HCPCS G codes G0310-G0315 to report immunization counseling provided to Medicaid patients only.

### Mechanical Scalp Cooling

- The CPT Editorial Panel created new Category I codes to report mechanical scalp cooling services.
  - 9XX01: Mechanical scalp cooling, including individual cap supply with head measurement, fitting and patient education
  - 9XX02: Mechanical scalp cooling; including hair preparation, individual cap placement, therapy initiation, and pre-cooling period

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- 9XX03: Mechanical scalp cooling, provided after discontinuation of chemotherapy, each 30 minutes (List separately in addition to primary code)
- Category III codes 0662T and 0663T will be deleted effective January 1st, 2026.

## Remote Monitoring

- CPT revised the current remote physiologic monitoring (RPM) and remote therapeutic monitoring codes (RTM) and guidelines and added new codes to allow for 2-15 days or 16-30 days of monitoring and for 10-20 minutes of management per calendar month.
- CMS is proposing different RVU calculations for these services than the RUC recommended values.

| Remote Physiologic Monitoring |  |                            |
|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| CPT                           | Service  | Time                       |
| 99453                         | Initial set-up and education   |                            |
| 99XX4                         | Remote monitoring of physiologic parameter(s) (e.g., weight, blood pressure, pulse oximetry, respiratory flow rate), initial: device(s) supply with daily recording(s) or programmed alert(s) transmission                     | 2-15 days                  |
| 99454                         | Device supply (see above)  | 16-30 days                 |
| 99XX5                         | Remote physiologic monitoring treatment management services, clinical staff/physician/other qualified health care professional time requiring real-time interactive communication with patient/caregiver during calendar month | First 10 minutes           |
| 99457                         | Management (see above)   | First 20 minutes           |
| 99458                         | Management (see above)   | Each additional 20 minutes |

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| Remote Therapeutic Monitoring |  |                            |
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| CPT                           | Service  | Time                       |
| 98975                         | Initial set-up and education   | No time                    |
| 98XX4                         | Remote therapeutic monitoring (e.g., therapy adherence, therapy response, digital therapeutic intervention; device(s) supply for data access or data transmission(s) to support monitoring of respiratory system   | 2-15 days                  |
| 98976                         | —Device supply, respiratory (see above)  | 16-30 days                 |
| 98XX5                         | Remote therapeutic monitoring (e.g., therapy adherence, therapy response, digital therapeutic intervention; device(s) supply for data access or data transmission(s) to support monitoring of musculoskeletal system                                     | 2-15 days                  |
| 98977                         | —Device supply, musculoskeletal (see above)  | 16-30 days                 |
| 98XX6                         | Remote therapeutic monitoring (e.g., therapy adherence, therapy response, digital therapeutic intervention; device(s) supply for data access or data transmission(s) to support monitoring of cognitive behavioral therapy                               | 2-15 days                  |
| 98978                         | —Device supply, cognitive behavioral therapy (see above)   | 16-30 days                 |
| 98XX7                         | Remote therapeutic monitoring treatment management services, physician or other qualified healthcare professional time in a calendar month requiring at least 1 real-time interactive communication with the patient/caregiver during the calendar month | First 10 minutes           |
| 98980                         | —Management (see above)  | First 20 min               |
| 98981                         | —Management (see above)  | Each additional 20 minutes |

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