

CPC Practice Test #1

- 100 Full-Length Questions
- 4 Hours to Complete
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Welcome to *YOUR* practice test!

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4 HOURS

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1. During a regular checkup, Dr. Stevens discovered a suspicious lesion on the floor of Paul's mouth and decided to perform an excision. Which CPT code covers the excision of an oral lesion?

- A. 40800
- B. 41105
- C. 41113
- D. 40804

2. While shaving, Robert accidentally caused a small cut on his chin that later became infected. He visited a healthcare provider who incised and drained the infected area. Which CPT code covers the incision and drainage of an infected cut?

- A. 10080
- B. 10021
- C. 10060
- D. 10160

3. Lucas, a professional swimmer, developed a cyst in his arm due to repetitive motion. The doctor decided to excise the cyst. Which CPT code represents the excision of a cyst?

- A. 20005
- B. 20055
- C. 20010
- D. 20020

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4. Ella's doctor suspected she might have diabetes. He ordered a Hemoglobin A1c test to assess her average blood sugar levels over the past three months. Which CPT code represents the Hemoglobin A1c test?

- A. 83036
- B. 83033
- C. 83035
- D. 83034

5. Riley had an overactive thyroid and was recommended for a thyroid lobectomy. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 60210
- B. 60212
- C. 60220
- D. 60225

6. After a series of tests, Dr. Wright determined that Katie had a kidney stone and recommended a percutaneous nephrostolithotomy. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

- A. 50010
- B. 50020
- C. 50200
- D. 50543

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7. Ethan, experiencing persistent flank pain, underwent a diagnostic renal angiography. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 50010
- B. 50220
- C. 50200
- D. 50398

8. The Relative Value Unit (RVU) associated with a CPT code reflects:

- A. The complexity of the procedure
- B. The average time a procedure takes
- C. The cost associated with performing the procedure
- D. All of the above

9. What does the term "bradycardia" refer to?

- A. Fast heartbeat
- B. Slow heartbeat
- C. Irregular heartbeat
- D. Strong heartbeat

10. After weeks of sinus congestion, Olivia saw an ENT specialist. The doctor decided to perform a nasal endoscopy. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

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- A. 30000
- B. 30140
- C. 31231
- D. 31237

11. During her yoga class, Claire felt a sharp pain in her thigh. The doctor diagnosed her with a seroma that needed drainage. Which CPT code should be used for the drainage of a seroma?

- A. 20005
- B. 20055
- C. 20010
- D. 20016

12. Jackson has been feeling pain and pressure in his sinuses. The ENT decided to perform a sinusotomy to improve drainage. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 31020
- B. 31256
- C. 31287
- D. 31288

13. During a routine check-up, Mark was diagnosed with essential (primary) hypertension. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this condition?

- A. I10

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- B. I11.9
- C. I12.9
- D. I13.10

14. After tests indicated abnormal parathyroid function, Natalie underwent a parathyroidectomy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 60212
- B. 60240
- C. 60100
- D. 60500

15. David uses a manual wheelchair due to his mobility limitations. Which HCPCS Level II code pertains to a standard manual wheelchair?

- A. K0001
- B. K0002
- C. K0003
- D. K0004

16. After a fall, Clara's primary care doctor ordered an X-ray of her wrist. The radiologist took three views of her wrist. Which CPT code pertains to this X-ray?

- A. 73110
- B. 73100
- C. 73120

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D. 73115

17. While eating popcorn, Mike felt a sharp pain and found he had bitten the inside of his cheek, causing a mucocele. His dentist performed a removal of the mucocele. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

A. 40804

B. 40812

C. 41108

D. 40819

18. During a routine check-up, Brian was diagnosed with benign essential hypertension. What ICD-10-CM code should be used for this diagnosis?

A. I10

B. I15.0

C. I15.1

D. I15.2

19. Megan had been facing difficulty urinating. Her urologist performed a cystourethroscopy to diagnose the issue. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

A. 52000

B. 50250

C. 50200

D. 50395

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20. Ryan has had chronic sinusitis for months. The doctor advised functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS) to clear the blockages. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

- A. 31255
- B. 31256
- C. 31267
- D. 31276

21. Which part of the brain is responsible for regulating vital functions like heartbeat and breathing?

- A. Cerebellum
- B. Medulla Oblongata
- C. Cerebrum
- D. Pons

22. After a trip to a tropical country, Jessica was diagnosed with Dengue fever without warning signs. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

- A. A90
- B. A91
- C. A92.0
- D. A92.8

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23. After a car accident, Liam required a retrograde pyelography to assess kidney damage. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

- A. 50320
- B. 50430
- C. 50200
- D. 50390

24. Olivia went to the pediatrician for her annual checkup. The doctor conducted a comprehensive review covering her past, family, and social history. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

- A. 99391
- B. 99382
- C. 99392
- D. 99381

25. During his physical therapy, John was provided with a therapeutic elastic band. Which HCPCS Level II code represents the supply of this band?

- A. A4450
- B. A4465
- C. A4466
- D. A4470

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26. Dr. Lewis suspected a liver issue with Lily and ordered a comprehensive metabolic panel. Which CPT code is for a comprehensive metabolic panel?

- A. 80053
- B. 80051
- C. 80050
- D. 80055

27. The heart is enclosed in a double-layered sac called the:

- A. Pericardium
- B. Myocardium
- C. Endocardium
- D. Epicardium

28. 'Osteoporosis' describes a condition where:

- A. Bones become soft and bendable
- B. Bone density is increased
- C. Bones are broken easily
- D. Bones become brittle and fragile due to loss of tissue

29. Leo had been experiencing difficulty breathing and went to a clinic. The doctor performed a procedure to remove nasal polyps. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

- A. 30110
- B. 30140

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- C. 30220
- D. 31237

30. For his severe back pain, Dr. Simmons administers an epidural injection to Mike. Which HCPCS Level II code corresponds to the supply of the injection?

- A. J1020
- B. J1030
- C. J1040
- D. J1050

31. Experiencing persistent headaches, Daniel was sent for an MRI of his brain. Which CPT code covers an MRI of the brain without contrast?

- A. 70551
- B. 70553
- C. 70549
- D. 70550

32. Dr. Johnson saw Sarah in the ER after she experienced a severe asthma attack. After stabilization, he conducted a comprehensive review of her systems and medical history. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

- A. 99221
- B. 99218
- C. 99223

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D. 99220

33. Ella went to the doctor after experiencing pain from a swollen salivary gland. The doctor performed a sialolithotomy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 40810
- B. 40812
- C. 40819
- D. 40820

34. During a follow-up visit, Dr. Allen asked Emily about the progress of her symptoms, her current medications, and performed a limited examination. Which CPT code represents this level of service?

- A. 99212
- B. 99214
- C. 99213
- D. 99215

35. In medical terminology, the prefix 'osteo-' relates to which of the following?

- A. Bone
- B. Heart
- C. Liver
- D. Brain

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36. Lucas went to the hospital after noticing blood in his urine. The doctor performed a renal biopsy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 50200
- B. 50220
- C. 50225
- D. 50230

37. Ryan had been experiencing chronic chest pain. During a diagnostic procedure, the anesthesiologist administered anesthesia to keep him comfortable. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for intrathoracic procedures?

- A. 00520
- B. 00522
- C. 00524
- D. 00526

38. While hiking, Alex slipped on a rock and hurt his ankle. At the hospital, they discovered a hematoma that needed to be incised and drained. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 20005
- B. 20055
- C. 20000
- D. 20025

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39. Bianca visited an oral surgeon due to a cyst under her tongue. The surgeon decided to perform a marsupialization of the ranula. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

- A. 40800
- B. 41115
- C. 40801
- D. 40806

40. Sarah uses a continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) device for her sleep apnea. Which HCPCS Level II code pertains to the CPAP device?

- A. E0601
- B. E0621
- C. E0631
- D. E0650

41. During a hernia repair, Dr. Stevens administered anesthesia to ensure Michael was comfortable and pain-free. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for an inguinal hernia repair?

- A. 00102
- B. 00144
- C. 00145
- D. 00148

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42. Sophie, pregnant with her first child, went for an ultrasound in her second trimester. Which CPT code is appropriate for a routine obstetric ultrasound of a fetus?

- A. 76805
- B. 76810
- C. 76815
- D. 76816

43. Sophie, after a minor car accident, had a nosebleed that wouldn't stop. The ER doctor performed a nasal endoscopy to control the posterior nosebleed. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

- A. 30000
- B. 31255
- C. 31231
- D. 30903

44. Ryan had been experiencing chronic chest pain. His cardiologist ordered a chest CT scan with contrast. Which CPT code represents a CT of the chest with contrast?

- A. 71250
- B. 71260
- C. 71270
- D. 71275

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45. Nina, who had been dealing with depression, visited a psychiatrist who prescribed her a 30-minute psychotherapy session. Which CPT code is appropriate for individual psychotherapy for 30 minutes?

- A. 90832
- B. 90834
- C. 90837
- D. 90839

46. Tom was diagnosed with bilateral primary osteoarthritis of the knee. Which ICD-10-CM code is suitable for this diagnosis?

- A. M17.0
- B. M17.1
- C. M17.2
- D. M17.3

47. Samantha was diagnosed with acute sinusitis due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. What ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her condition?

- A. J01.00
- B. J01.10
- C. J01.01
- D. J01.11

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48. Dr. Parker recommended a colonoscopy for Maria due to her family history of colorectal cancer. Which CPT code represents a diagnostic colonoscopy?

- A. 45378
- B. 45379
- C. 45380
- D. 45381

49. Lena, a 28-year-old, was diagnosed with a mild form of endometriosis. Which ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her diagnosis?

- A. N80.0
- B. N80.1
- C. N80.2
- D. N80.3

50. Leo visited a cardiologist due to chest pain. The doctor took an extended history, reviewed multiple systems, and performed a detailed examination. Which CPT code represents this level of service?

- A. 99221
- B. 99222
- C. 99223
- D. 99220

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51. Robert visited an ophthalmologist after experiencing blurry vision. After examination, the doctor diagnosed him with cataracts. Which CPT code corresponds to a cataract removal with intraocular lens insertion?

- A. 66982
- B. 66984
- C. 66983
- D. 66985

52. The largest bone in the human body is the:

- A. Humerus
- B. Femur
- C. Tibia
- D. Fibula

53. Which organ is responsible for producing insulin?

- A. Pancreas
- B. Liver
- C. Kidney
- D. Spleen

54. With symptoms of anemia, Riley's doctor ordered a complete blood count with differential. Which CPT code pertains to this test?

- A. 85027

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- B. 85025
- C. 85029
- D. 85023

55. Sophie, pregnant with her first child, went for an ultrasound in her second trimester. The anesthesiologist administered anesthesia to keep her comfortable during the procedure. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for a routine obstetric ultrasound?

- A. 00860
- B. 00864
- C. 00862
- D. 00868

56. Which U.S. federal regulation protects the privacy and security of patients' medical information?

- A. Affordable Care Act (ACA)
- B. Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)
- C. Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act
- D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

57. After her morning run, Maria noticed a painful abscess on her thigh. She immediately went to the clinic, where the doctor performed an incision and drainage. Which CPT code represents the incision and drainage of an abscess?

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- A. 10080
- B. 10021
- C. 10060
- D. 10160

58. James had difficulty breathing and underwent a pulmonary function test to assess his lung function. Which CPT code represents a simple pulmonary function test?

- A. 94010
- B. 94060
- C. 94070
- D. 94015

59. After a minor car accident, Emma was taken to the emergency room. They found a hematoma in her shoulder that needed incision and drainage. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 20005
- B. 20010
- C. 20016
- D. 20100

60. For outpatient coding, when coding for a condition that is both acute and chronic and separate subentries exist in the alphabetic index, which code should be sequenced first?

- A. Acute

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- B. Chronic
- C. Either - based on the severity
- D. The condition that is being treated during the visit

61. Alex was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes mellitus without complications. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

- A. E10.9
- B. E11.9
- C. E13.9
- D. E08.9

62. John, an avid gardener, discovered a wart on his finger. Concerned about its appearance, he consulted a physician who recommended its removal. Which CPT code covers the excision of a wart?

- A. 10021
- B. 10040
- C. 10060
- D. 10120

63. According to CPT guidelines, if a code exists that describes a certain service or procedure, you should:

- A. Use a similar code that might fit
- B. Use the exact code describing the service
- C. Use an unspecified code

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D. Use any code as long as it's from the correct section

64. Dr. Lewis found a nodule in Chloe's thyroid and decided to perform a core needle biopsy. Which CPT code covers this procedure?

- A. 60100
- B. 60240
- C. 60271
- D. 60101

65. Grace required a knee replacement. The anesthesiologist administered anesthesia specific to the lower leg procedure. Which CPT code is suitable for anesthesia during a knee replacement?

- A. 01402
- B. 01400
- C. 01404
- D. 01406

66. During a routine checkup, a physician noticed a suspicious lesion on Peter's back. To ensure it was benign, the doctor performed a punch biopsy. Which CPT code is appropriate for a punch biopsy of the skin?

- A. 10040
- B. 10005
- C. 11104

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D. 11100

67. Elena visited the ER with a severe migraine without aura, not intractable. What ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her condition?

- A. G43.009
- B. G43.109
- C. G43.209
- D. G43.309"

68. Michael had always had a large mole on his arm. However, recently he observed changes in its appearance. On the advice of his friend, he visited a dermatologist who biopsied the mole. Which CPT code pertains to the biopsy of a lesion?

- A. 10040
- B. 10005
- C. 10060
- D. 11100

69. What is the purpose of the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI)?

- A. Ensure appropriate coding based on the medical record
- B. Prevent improper payment of procedures that should not be billed together
- C. Assign specific dollar amounts to procedures
- D. Monitor fraudulent billing practices across states

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70. Peter visited a dermatologist for a persistent rash. The doctor diagnosed him with atopic dermatitis of the hands. What ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

- A. L20.81
- B. L20.82
- C. L20.83
- D. L20.84

71. Sophia went to a dermatologist for a facial consultation. The doctor noticed a milia near her eye and removed it. Which CPT code represents the removal of milia?

- A. 10021
- B. 10030
- C. 10040
- D. 10120

72. Owen was diagnosed with thyroid cancer. His oncologist recommended a total thyroidectomy. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

- A. 60212
- B. 60240
- C. 60100
- D. 60252

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73. According to the ICD-10-CM guidelines, when a patient has both an acute and chronic condition, which one should be sequenced first?

- A. Acute condition
- B. Chronic condition
- C. Either - based on the severity
- D. The condition that is being treated during the visit

74. The term "hepatomegaly" refers to:

- A. Inflammation of the liver
- B. Enlargement of the liver
- C. Disease of the liver
- D. Absence of the liver

75. Jake came to the clinic for a routine checkup. The doctor asked him basic questions about his current health without going into a detailed history or review of systems. What CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

- A. 99201
- B. 99212
- C. 99203
- D. 99204

76. During her beach vacation, Lisa noticed a skin tag on her neck. Wanting to wear her new necklace without any obstructions, she decided to visit a dermatologist to have it

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removed. Which CPT code represents the removal of a skin tag?

- A. 10021
- B. 10030
- C. 10060
- D. 11200

77. Ava was having persistent nosebleeds. The ENT decided to cauterize the bleeding vessel in her nasal cavity. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

- A. 30000
- B. 30901
- C. 31231
- D. 31237

78. During a dental cleaning, Dr. Adams noticed a white patch inside Hannah's mouth. She suggested a biopsy of the oral mucosa. Which CPT code covers a biopsy of the oral mucosa?

- A. 40000
- B. 41105
- C. 40100
- D. 40804

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79. After experiencing rapid heartbeats, Karen underwent an electrophysiology study. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 93619
- B. 93620
- C. 93621
- D. 93622

80. While gardening, Chloe got a thorn embedded in her hand. She went to a healthcare provider who removed the foreign body. Which CPT code covers the removal of a foreign body from soft tissue?

- A. 20005
- B. 20055
- C. 20010
- D. 10120

81. During a football match, Ethan had a collision and developed a hematoma in his upper arm. The doctor performed an incision to drain it. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

- A. 20005
- B. 20002
- C. 20010
- D. 20100

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82. The term "hyperglycemia" means:

- A. Low blood sugar level
- B. Normal blood sugar level
- C. High blood sugar level
- D. Blood without sugar

83. Julie was diagnosed with iron-deficiency anemia secondary to chronic blood loss. Which ICD-10-CM code is appropriate for this diagnosis?

- A. D50.0
- B. D50.1
- C. D50.8
- D. D50.9

84. Nathan visited the clinic with flu-like symptoms. The doctor took a brief history, focusing mainly on the respiratory system. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

- A. 99201
- B. 99202
- C. 99203
- D. 99204

85. Dr. Harris diagnosed Grace with hyperthyroidism and recommended a partial thyroidectomy. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

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- A. 60210
- B. 60212
- C. 60100
- D. 60225

86. According to Medicare, the "Three-Day Payment Window Rule" refers to:

- A. The time frame in which a patient must pay their bill
- B. Services provided to a patient 3 days prior to their inpatient admission
- C. The time frame in which Medicare must process a claim
- D. The period within which a patient can dispute a charge

87. In ICD-10-CM, how should unspecified codes be utilized?

- A. Frequently; as they are easy to use
- B. Only when the documentation doesn't provide more specific information
- C. When the coder is unsure about the specifics of the condition
- D. In any situation where a quick code is needed

88. Sophia had recurrent UTIs. To determine the cause, her physician performed a cystography. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 50395

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- B. 50250
- C. 50200
- D. 51600

89. In CPT coding, what does a modifier -25 indicate?

- A. Repeat procedure by the same physician
- B. Bilateral procedure
- C. Multiple procedures
- D. Significant and separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician on the same day of the procedure

90. What does the term "cardiomyopathy" refer to?

- A. Inflammation of the heart muscle
- B. Enlargement of the heart
- C. Disease of the heart muscle
- D. Blockage in the heart's arteries

91. James noticed a lump in his armpit and visited a physician who diagnosed it as an abscess. The doctor performed an incision and drainage. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

- A. 20002
- B. 20060
- C. 20000
- D. 20005

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92. George received an infusion of Remicade for his Crohn's disease. What HCPCS Level II code corresponds to the Remicade infusion?

- A. J1745
- B. J1750
- C. J1756
- D. J1760

93. When it comes to Medicare fraud and abuse, what does "upcoding" refer to?

- A. Billing for services not rendered
- B. Billing a higher service code than what was performed
- C. Billing for unnecessary services
- D. Assigning a lower code to save the patient money

94. Max complained of fatigue and frequent infections. His doctor ordered an immunoglobulin test to check his immune system's health. Which CPT code corresponds to the immunoglobulin test?

- A. 82784
- B. 82782
- C. 82785
- D. 82783

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95. When a patient is admitted to the hospital for a high fever and is later diagnosed with sepsis, what should be the primary diagnosis according to ICD-10-CM guidelines?

- A. Fever
- B. Sepsis
- C. Both can be primary
- D. The condition that prompted the admission

96. Jason went to the clinic after noticing a sore that wouldn't heal inside his mouth. The doctor performed an excision of the oral lesion. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

- A. 41108
- B. 41110
- C. 40100
- D. 40819

97. Nancy was fitted with a below-the-knee artificial limb after her leg amputation. Which HCPCS Level II code represents this prosthetic?

- A. L5631
- B. L5637
- C. L5645
- D. L5650

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98. Tyler had a lump on his thyroid. The endocrinologist performed a fine needle aspiration biopsy. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 60100
- B. 60240
- C. 60220
- D. 60212

99. Lily felt a sudden blockage in her nose. The doctor diagnosed a deviated septum and recommended a septoplasty. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

- A. 31231
- B. 31000
- C. 31254
- D. 30520

100. Anna received an injection of Botox for her chronic migraines. Which HCPCS Level II code represents the Botox injection?

- A. J0585
- B. J0586
- C. J0587
- D. J0588

Answer Key

Use the [] boxes to mark your correct answers and count your score :).

Want to know why a particular answer was more correct? Explanations for every question are in the section after this, labeled "Explanations".

Passing score: 70 correct out of 100 questions total.

- 1. C. 41113
- 2. C. 10060
- 3. D. 20020
- 4. A. 83036
- 5. C. 60220
- 6. D. 50543
- 7. A. 50010
- 8. D. All of the above
- 9. B. Slow heartbeat
- 10. C. 31231
- 11. C. 20010
- 12. B. 31256
- 13. A. I10
- 14. D. 60500
- 15. A. K0001
- 16. A. 73110
- 17. A. 40804

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- [] 18. A. I10
- [] 19. A. 52000
- [] 20. B. 31256
- [] 21. B. Medulla Oblongata
- [] 22. A. A90
- [] 23. B. 50430
- [] 24. D. 99381
- [] 25. B. A4465
- [] 26. A. 80053
- [] 27. A. Pericardium
- [] 28. D. Bones become brittle and fragile due to loss of tissue
- [] 29. A. 30110
- [] 30. C. J1040
- [] 31. A. 70551
- [] 32. C. 99223
- [] 33. D. 40820
- [] 34. C. 99213
- [] 35. A. Bone
- [] 36. A. 50200
- [] 37. C. 00524
- [] 38. A. 20005
- [] 39. B. 41115
- [] 40. A. E0601
- [] 41. B. 00144
- [] 42. A. 76805
- [] 43. D. 30903
- [] 44. B. 71260
- [] 45. A. 90832

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- 46. B. M17.1
- 47. D. J01.11
- 48. A. 45378
- 49. A. N80.0
- 50. C. 99223
- 51. B. 66984
- 52. B. Femur
- 53. A. Pancreas
- 54. B. 85025
- 55. A. 00860
- 56. D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
- 57. A. 10080
- 58. A. 94010
- 59. D. 20100
- 60. A. Acute
- 61. A. E10.9
- 62. B. 10040
- 63. B. Use the exact code describing the service
- 64. D. 60101
- 65. B. 01400
- 66. C. 11104
- 67. A. G43.009
- 68. D. 11100
- 69. B. Prevent improper payment of procedures that should not be billed together
- 70. B. L20.82
- 71. C. 10040
- 72. B. 60240

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- 73. A. Acute condition
- 74. B. Enlargement of the liver
- 75. A. 99201
- 76. D. 11200
- 77. B. 30901
- 78. B. 41105
- 79. B. 93620
- 80. D. 10120
- 81. A. 20005
- 82. C. High blood sugar level
- 83. A. D50.0
- 84. B. 99202
- 85. A. 60210
- 86. B. Services provided to a patient 3 days prior to their inpatient admission
- 87. B. Only when the documentation doesn't provide more specific information
- 88. D. 51600
- 89. D. Significant and separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician on the same day of the procedure
- 90. C. Disease of the heart muscle
- 91. A. 20002
- 92. A. J1745
- 93. B. Billing a higher service code than what was performed
- 94. A. 82784
- 95. B. Sepsis
- 96. B. 41110

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[] 97. B. L5637

[] 98. A. 60100

[] 99. D. 30520

[] 100. A. J0585

Explanations

1. During a regular checkup, Dr. Stevens discovered a suspicious lesion on the floor of Paul's mouth and decided to perform an excision. Which CPT code covers the excision of an oral lesion?

Answer: C. 41113

Explanation:

41113 pertains to excision of lesion of floor of mouth.

2. While shaving, Robert accidentally caused a small cut on his chin that later became infected. He visited a healthcare provider who incised and drained the infected area. Which CPT code covers the incision and drainage of an infected cut?

Answer: C. 10060

Explanation:

10060 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of abscess (e.g., carbuncle, suppurative hidradenitis, cutaneous or subcutaneous abscess, cyst, furuncle, or paronychia); simple or single.

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3. Lucas, a professional swimmer, developed a cyst in his arm due to repetitive motion. The doctor decided to excise the cyst. Which CPT code represents the excision of a cyst?

Answer: D. 20020

Explanation:

20020 is the CPT code for incision and removal of foreign body, subcutaneous tissues; simple.

4. Ella's doctor suspected she might have diabetes. He ordered a Hemoglobin A1c test to assess her average blood sugar levels over the past three months. Which CPT code represents the Hemoglobin A1c test?

Answer: A. 83036

Explanation:

Code 83036 is for the Hemoglobin A1c test. The other codes are not specific to the Hemoglobin A1c test and represent different laboratory tests.

5. Riley had an overactive thyroid and was recommended for a thyroid lobectomy. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: C. 60220

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Explanation:

The right code, 60220, refers to a thyroid lobectomy. While 60210 pertains to a partial thyroidectomy, 60212 describes a complete thyroid lobectomy with isthmusectomy, and 60225 is for a thyroid lobectomy with contralateral subtotal lobectomy. Given the scenario, a thyroid lobectomy without further specifications was performed, making 60220 the appropriate code.

6. After a series of tests, Dr. Wright determined that Katie had a kidney stone and recommended a percutaneous nephrostolithotomy. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

Answer: D. 50543

Explanation:

The correct code, 50543, refers to a percutaneous nephrostolithotomy or pyelostolithotomy. The other codes are: 50010 (Renal exploratory surgery), 50020 (Renal abscess drainage), and 50200 (Renal biopsy).

7. Ethan, experiencing persistent flank pain, underwent a diagnostic renal angiography. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

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Answer: A. 50010

Explanation:

The correct code, 50010, refers to renal exploratory surgery. 50220 describes a nephrectomy, 50200 is for a renal biopsy, and 50398 describes an injection procedure for antegrade nephrostogram and/or ureterogram.

8. The Relative Value Unit (RVU) associated with a CPT code reflects:

Answer: D. All of the above

Explanation:

A Relative Value Unit (RVU) is a value assigned to a procedure that reflects the complexity, time, and cost associated with performing it. It's used to determine how much healthcare providers get paid for Medicare and Medicaid patients. Each of these components (complexity, time, and cost) plays a role in determining the RVU for a specific procedure.

9. What does the term "bradycardia" refer to?

Answer: B. Slow heartbeat

Explanation:

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The term 'bradycardia' refers to a slower than normal heart rate, or slow heartbeat. It doesn't refer to a fast heartbeat (that's tachycardia), nor does it indicate the strength or regularity of the heartbeats.

10. After weeks of sinus congestion, Olivia saw an ENT specialist. The doctor decided to perform a nasal endoscopy. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

Answer: C. 31231

Explanation:

31231 is the CPT code for nasal endoscopy, diagnostic, unilateral or bilateral (separate procedure).

11. During her yoga class, Claire felt a sharp pain in her thigh. The doctor diagnosed her with a seroma that needed drainage. Which CPT code should be used for the drainage of a seroma?

Answer: C. 20010

Explanation:

20010 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of hematoma, seroma or fluid collection; upper arm or elbow.

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12. Jackson has been feeling pain and pressure in his sinuses. The ENT decided to perform a sinusotomy to improve drainage. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: B. 31256

Explanation:

31256 is the CPT code for nasal/sinus endoscopy, surgical with maxillary antrostomy.

13. During a routine check-up, Mark was diagnosed with essential (primary) hypertension. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this condition?

Answer: A. I10

Explanation:

I10 is the ICD-10-CM code for essential (primary) hypertension. I11.9 represents hypertensive heart disease without heart failure, I12.9 is for hypertensive renal disease without renal failure, and I13.10 stands for hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease without heart failure and stage 1 through stage 4 chronic kidney disease, or unspecified chronic kidney disease.

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14. After tests indicated abnormal parathyroid function, Natalie underwent a parathyroidectomy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: D. 60500

Explanation:

The correct code, 60500, refers to a parathyroidectomy. While 60212 and 60240 are associated with thyroid procedures (thyroid lobectomy with isthmusectomy and total thyroidectomy respectively), 60100 is for a thyroid biopsy. The scenario specifies a procedure on the parathyroid, making 60500 the accurate code.

15. David uses a manual wheelchair due to his mobility limitations. Which HCPCS Level II code pertains to a standard manual wheelchair?

Answer: A. K0001

Explanation:

The HCPCS Level II code K0001 represents a standard manual wheelchair. This code is specific for a wheelchair that is manually operated.

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16. After a fall, Clara's primary care doctor ordered an X-ray of her wrist. The radiologist took three views of her wrist. Which CPT code pertains to this X-ray?

Answer: A. 73110

Explanation:

Code 73110 pertains to radiologic examination of the wrist with a minimum of three views. 73100 is for two views, 73120 is for one view, and 73115 is for a post-reduction (after fixing a dislocation or fracture) examination.

17. While eating popcorn, Mike felt a sharp pain and found he had bitten the inside of his cheek, causing a mucocele. His dentist performed a removal of the mucocele. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: A. 40804

Explanation:

40804 pertains to excision of lesion, vestibule of mouth (mucocele).

18. During a routine check-up, Brian was diagnosed with benign essential hypertension. What ICD-10-CM code should be used for this diagnosis?

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Answer: A. I10

Explanation:

I10 is the ICD-10-CM code for essential (primary) hypertension. I15.0 represents renovascular hypertension, I15.1 is for hypertension secondary to other renal disorders, and I15.2 pertains to hypertension secondary to endocrine disorders.

19. Megan had been facing difficulty urinating. Her urologist performed a cystourethroscopy to diagnose the issue. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

Answer: A. 52000

Explanation:

The correct code, 52000, pertains to cystourethroscopy. The other codes are: 50250 (Ablation, renal tumor, unilateral, percutaneous), 50200 (Renal biopsy), and 50395 (Injection procedure for nephrostogram or ureterogram).

20. Ryan has had chronic sinusitis for months. The doctor advised functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS) to clear the blockages. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

Answer: B. 31256

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Explanation:

31256 is the CPT code for nasal/sinus endoscopy, surgical with maxillary antrostomy.

21. Which part of the brain is responsible for regulating vital functions like heartbeat and breathing?

Answer: B. Medulla Oblongata

Explanation:

The medulla oblongata, located in the brainstem, is responsible for regulating vital functions such as heartbeat, breathing, and blood pressure. The cerebellum coordinates muscle movements and maintains posture and balance. The cerebrum is involved in sensory perception, thought, and voluntary muscle movements. The pons plays a role in regulating breathing and relaying signals between different parts of the brain.

22. After a trip to a tropical country, Jessica was diagnosed with Dengue fever without warning signs. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

Answer: A. A90

Explanation:

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A90 is the ICD-10-CM code for Dengue fever [classical dengue]. A91 pertains to Dengue hemorrhagic fever, A92.0 represents West Nile virus infection with neurologic manifestation, and A92.8 stands for other specified mosquito-borne viral fevers.

23. After a car accident, Liam required a retrograde pyelography to assess kidney damage. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

Answer: B. 50430

Explanation:

The correct code, 50430, refers to injection procedure for retrograde pyelography. The other codes are: 50320 (Renal autotransplantation), 50200 (Renal biopsy), and 50390 (Aspiration of kidney cyst).

24. Olivia went to the pediatrician for her annual checkup. The doctor conducted a comprehensive review covering her past, family, and social history. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

Answer: D. 99381

Explanation:

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CPT code 99381 is for a comprehensive preventive medicine evaluation and management for new patients. 99391 is for established patients, 99382 is for new patients aged 1-4, and 99392 is for established patients aged 1-4.

25. During his physical therapy, John was provided with a therapeutic elastic band. Which HCPCS Level II code represents the supply of this band?

Answer: B. A4465

Explanation:

The correct code for a therapeutic elastic band is A4465. This code represents a non-elastic binder for a specific use.

26. Dr. Lewis suspected a liver issue with Lily and ordered a comprehensive metabolic panel. Which CPT code is for a comprehensive metabolic panel?

Answer: A. 80053

Explanation:

Code 80053 is for a comprehensive metabolic panel. The other codes represent different types of lab panels or tests and are not specifically for a comprehensive metabolic panel.

27. The heart is enclosed in a double-layered sac called the:

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Answer: A. Pericardium

Explanation:

The heart is enclosed by the pericardium, a double-layered sac. The myocardium refers to the muscular wall of the heart. The endocardium is the inner lining of the heart chambers, while the epicardium is the outermost layer of the heart wall.

28. 'Osteoporosis' describes a condition where:

Answer: D. Bones become brittle and fragile due to loss of tissue

Explanation:

Osteoporosis is characterized by bones becoming brittle and fragile due to a loss of tissue. It is not about bones becoming soft (option A), increased bone density (option B), or bones breaking easily without the mention of brittleness (option C).

29. Leo had been experiencing difficulty breathing and went to a clinic. The doctor performed a procedure to remove nasal polyps. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

Answer: A. 30110

Explanation:

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30110 is the CPT code for excision or surgical planing of nasal polyp(s), simple.

30. For his severe back pain, Dr. Simmons administers an epidural injection to Mike. Which HCPCS Level II code corresponds to the supply of the injection?

Answer: C. J1040

Explanation:

The correct HCPCS Level II code for the supply of an epidural injection is J1040. This code represents an injection of methylprednisolone acetate, 80 mg.

31. Experiencing persistent headaches, Daniel was sent for an MRI of his brain. Which CPT code covers an MRI of the brain without contrast?

Answer: A. 70551

Explanation:

Code 70551 is for an MRI of the brain without contrast. 70553 includes both without and with contrast, 70549 is not a valid CPT code, and 70550 is for an MRI of the brain with contrast only.

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32. Dr. Johnson saw Sarah in the ER after she experienced a severe asthma attack. After stabilization, he conducted a comprehensive review of her systems and medical history. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

Answer: C. 99223

Explanation:

CPT code 99223 is for a comprehensive level of history-taking and examination for patients in hospitals. 99221 is for a detailed history, 99218 is for a problem-focused history, and 99220 is for observation or inpatient hospital care.

33. Ella went to the doctor after experiencing pain from a swollen salivary gland. The doctor performed a sialolithotomy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: D. 40820

Explanation:

40820 pertains to sialolithotomy; by incision into duct.

34. During a follow-up visit, Dr. Allen asked Emily about the progress of her symptoms, her current medications, and performed a limited examination. Which CPT code represents this level of service?

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Answer: C. 99213

Explanation:

CPT code 99213 is used for an expanded problem-focused history and examination for established patients. 99212 is for a problem-focused history, 99214 is for a detailed history, and 99215 is for a comprehensive history.

35. In medical terminology, the prefix 'osteo-' relates to which of the following?

Answer: A. Bone

Explanation:

The prefix 'osteo-' in medical terminology refers to bone. For instance, 'osteoporosis' refers to a condition where bones become brittle due to loss of tissue. It doesn't relate to the heart, liver, or brain.

36. Lucas went to the hospital after noticing blood in his urine. The doctor performed a renal biopsy. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: A. 50200

Explanation:

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The correct code, 50200, refers to a renal biopsy. The other codes are: 50220 (Nephrectomy), 50225 (Delayed nephrostogram), and 50230 (Nephrectomy, partial).

37. Ryan had been experiencing chronic chest pain. During a diagnostic procedure, the anesthesiologist administered anesthesia to keep him comfortable. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for intrathoracic procedures?

Answer: C. 00524

Explanation:

Code 00524 is specific to anesthesia for intrathoracic procedures. Code 00520 is more general and is used for procedures within the thorax, 00522 for lung surgeries, and 00526 for heart and coronary artery surgeries.

38. While hiking, Alex slipped on a rock and hurt his ankle. At the hospital, they discovered a hematoma that needed to be incised and drained. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: A. 20005

Explanation:

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20005 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of soft tissue abscess, leg or ankle; superficial.

39. Bianca visited an oral surgeon due to a cyst under her tongue. The surgeon decided to perform a marsupialization of the ranula. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

Answer: B. 41115

Explanation:

41115 pertains to marsupialization of ranula.

40. Sarah uses a continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) device for her sleep apnea. Which HCPCS Level II code pertains to the CPAP device?

Answer: A. E0601

Explanation:

The HCPCS Level II code for a continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) device is E0601. This code represents a CPAP device.

41. During a hernia repair, Dr. Stevens administered anesthesia to ensure Michael was comfortable and pain-free. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for an inguinal hernia repair?

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Answer: B. 00144

Explanation:

Code 00144 represents anesthesia for an inguinal hernia repair. Code 00102 is typically used for anesthesia during eyelid surgeries, 00145 for anesthesia during facial nerve surgeries, and 00148 for anesthesia during neck surgeries.

42. Sophie, pregnant with her first child, went for an ultrasound in her second trimester. Which CPT code is appropriate for a routine obstetric ultrasound of a fetus?

Answer: A. 76805

Explanation:

Code 76805 is used for a routine obstetric ultrasound of a fetus. The other codes represent different types of ultrasound services and are not specifically for a routine obstetric ultrasound.

43. Sophie, after a minor car accident, had a nosebleed that wouldn't stop. The ER doctor performed a nasal endoscopy to control the posterior nosebleed. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

Answer: D. 30903

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Explanation:

30903 is the CPT code for control nasal hemorrhage, posterior, complex (e.g., therapeutic endoscopy, posterior nasal packs).

44. Ryan had been experiencing chronic chest pain. His cardiologist ordered a chest CT scan with contrast. Which CPT code represents a CT of the chest with contrast?

Answer: B. 71260

Explanation:

Code 71260 is for a CT of the chest with contrast. 71250 is without contrast, 71270 is with and without contrast, and 71275 is for a CT angiography of the chest.

45. Nina, who had been dealing with depression, visited a psychiatrist who prescribed her a 30-minute psychotherapy session. Which CPT code is appropriate for individual psychotherapy for 30 minutes?

Answer: A. 90832

Explanation:

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The CPT code 90832 is used to describe individual psychotherapy for 30 minutes. The other codes are for different durations or types of psychotherapy sessions.

46. Tom was diagnosed with bilateral primary osteoarthritis of the knee. Which ICD-10-CM code is suitable for this diagnosis?

Answer: B. M17.1

Explanation:

M17.1 is the ICD-10-CM code for bilateral primary osteoarthritis of the knee. M17.0 represents unilateral primary osteoarthritis, M17.2 is for unilateral post-traumatic osteoarthritis, and M17.3 is for bilateral post-traumatic osteoarthritis of the knee.

47. Samantha was diagnosed with acute sinusitis due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. What ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her condition?

Answer: D. J01.11

Explanation:

J01.11 is the ICD-10-CM code for acute frontal sinusitis due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. J01.00 represents acute maxillary sinusitis, unspecified, J01.10 is for acute frontal

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sinusitis, unspecified, and J01.01 pertains to acute frontal sinusitis due to *Haemophilus influenzae*.

48. Dr. Parker recommended a colonoscopy for Maria due to her family history of colorectal cancer. Which CPT code represents a diagnostic colonoscopy?

Answer: A. 45378

Explanation:

The correct CPT code for a diagnostic colonoscopy is 45378. Code 45379 represents colonoscopy with removal of a foreign body. Code 45380 represents colonoscopy with biopsy, and 45381 represents colonoscopy with direct submucosal injection.

49. Lena, a 28-year-old, was diagnosed with a mild form of endometriosis. Which ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her diagnosis?

Answer: A. N80.0

Explanation:

N80.0 is the code for mild endometriosis. N80.1 represents endometriosis of the ovary, N80.2 is for endometriosis of the fallopian tube, and N80.3 is for endometriosis of the pelvic peritoneum.

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50. Leo visited a cardiologist due to chest pain. The doctor took an extended history, reviewed multiple systems, and performed a detailed examination. Which CPT code represents this level of service?

Answer: C. 99223

Explanation:

CPT code 99223 is for a comprehensive level of history-taking and examination for patients in hospitals. 99221 is for a detailed history, 99222 is for an expanded problem-focused history, and 99220 is for observation or inpatient hospital care.

51. Robert visited an ophthalmologist after experiencing blurry vision. After examination, the doctor diagnosed him with cataracts. Which CPT code corresponds to a cataract removal with intraocular lens insertion?

Answer: B. 66984

Explanation:

The CPT code 66984 represents extracapsular cataract removal with insertion of intraocular lens prosthesis. The other options are other ophthalmologic procedures but not specific to the described scenario.

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52. The largest bone in the human body is the:

Answer: B. Femur

Explanation:

The femur, or thigh bone, is the longest and strongest bone in the human body. The humerus is the bone of the upper arm, while the tibia and fibula are bones of the lower leg, with the tibia being the thicker of the two.

53. Which organ is responsible for producing insulin?

Answer: A. Pancreas

Explanation:

The pancreas is responsible for producing insulin, a hormone that regulates the amount of glucose in the blood. The liver, kidney, and spleen have other distinct functions and do not produce insulin.

54. With symptoms of anemia, Riley's doctor ordered a complete blood count with differential. Which CPT code pertains to this test?

Answer: B. 85025

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Explanation:

Code 85025 is for a complete blood count (CBC) with differential. 85027 is for a basic CBC without differential, while 85029 and 85023 are not specific to the CBC with differential.

55. Sophie, pregnant with her first child, went for an ultrasound in her second trimester. The anesthesiologist administered anesthesia to keep her comfortable during the procedure. Which CPT code represents anesthesia for a routine obstetric ultrasound?

Answer: A. 00860

Explanation:

Code 00860 is used for anesthesia during lower abdominal procedures, including obstetric ultrasonography. Code 00864 represents anesthesia during cesarean delivery, 00862 during vaginal delivery, and 00868 during advanced labor and delivery procedures.

56. Which U.S. federal regulation protects the privacy and security of patients' medical information?

Answer: D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

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Explanation:

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) is a federal law that provides data privacy and security provisions for safeguarding medical information. While the other options like ACA, CLIA, and HITECH Act have their specific focuses and regulations, HIPAA is specifically designed to protect the privacy and security of patients' medical information.

57. After her morning run, Maria noticed a painful abscess on her thigh. She immediately went to the clinic, where the doctor performed an incision and drainage. Which CPT code represents the incision and drainage of an abscess?

Answer: A. 10080

Explanation:

10080 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of pilonidal cyst; simple.

58. James had difficulty breathing and underwent a pulmonary function test to assess his lung function. Which CPT code represents a simple pulmonary function test?

Answer: A. 94010

Explanation:

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The CPT code 94010 represents a spirometry, including graphic record, total and timed vital capacity, expiratory flow rate measurement(s), with or without maximal voluntary ventilation. The other codes are for different types or parts of pulmonary function tests.

59. After a minor car accident, Emma was taken to the emergency room. They found a hematoma in her shoulder that needed incision and drainage. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: D. 20100

Explanation:

20100 is the CPT code for incision and drainage; deep abscess or hematoma, soft tissues of back or flank.

60. For outpatient coding, when coding for a condition that is both acute and chronic and separate subentries exist in the alphabetic index, which code should be sequenced first?

Answer: A. Acute

Explanation:

Just like with inpatient coding, in outpatient coding, if there are separate subentries in the alphabetic index for both the

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acute and chronic form of a disease, the acute form is coded first. The acute condition often requires more immediate care and is usually the reason for the current medical encounter.

61. Alex was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes mellitus without complications. Which ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

Answer: A. E10.9

Explanation:

E10.9 is the ICD-10-CM code for type 1 diabetes mellitus without complications. E11.9 pertains to type 2 diabetes mellitus, E13.9 to other specified diabetes mellitus, and E08.9 to diabetes mellitus due to an underlying condition, all without complications.

62. John, an avid gardener, discovered a wart on his finger. Concerned about its appearance, he consulted a physician who recommended its removal. Which CPT code covers the excision of a wart?

Answer: B. 10040

Explanation:

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10040 is the CPT code for acne surgery (e.g., marsupialization, opening or removal of multiple milia, comedones, cysts, pustules).

63. According to CPT guidelines, if a code exists that describes a certain service or procedure, you should:

Answer: B. Use the exact code describing the service

Explanation:

CPT guidelines emphasize the importance of coding accuracy. If there's a code that exactly describes the service or procedure performed, that specific code should be used. Using a similar or unspecified code when a more accurate code is available can lead to billing errors and misrepresentations of the services provided.

64. Dr. Lewis found a nodule in Chloe's thyroid and decided to perform a core needle biopsy. Which CPT code covers this procedure?

Answer: D. 60101

Explanation:

The correct code, 60101, represents a core needle biopsy of the thyroid. The codes 60100 and 60240 respectively describe a fine needle aspiration biopsy and a total

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thyroidectomy. The code 60271 pertains to a thyroidectomy for malignancy, without radical neck dissection. In this case, a core needle biopsy was performed, making 60101 the suitable code.

65. Grace required a knee replacement. The anesthesiologist administered anesthesia specific to the lower leg procedure. Which CPT code is suitable for anesthesia during a knee replacement?

Answer: B. 01400

Explanation:

Code 01400 is appropriate for anesthesia during knee joint procedures. Code 01402 is more specific to tibia and fibula procedures, 01404 to foot and ankle procedures, and 01406 to total ankle replacement surgeries.

66. During a routine checkup, a physician noticed a suspicious lesion on Peter's back. To ensure it was benign, the doctor performed a punch biopsy. Which CPT code is appropriate for a punch biopsy of the skin?

Answer: C. 11104

Explanation:

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11104 is the CPT code for punch biopsy of skin (including simple closure), when the diameter of the lesion is 0.5 cm or less.

67. Elena visited the ER with a severe migraine without aura, not intractable. What ICD-10-CM code corresponds to her condition?

Answer: A. G43.009

Explanation:

G43.009 is the code for a migraine without aura, not intractable, without status migrainosus. G43.109 represents a migraine with aura, G43.209 is for chronic migraine without aura, and G43.309 represents a chronic migraine without mention of intractable migraine.

68. Michael had always had a large mole on his arm. However, recently he observed changes in its appearance. On the advice of his friend, he visited a dermatologist who biopsied the mole. Which CPT code pertains to the biopsy of a lesion?

Answer: D. 11100

Explanation:

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11100 is the CPT code for biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/or mucous membrane (including simple closure), unless otherwise listed; single lesion.

69. What is the purpose of the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI)?

Answer: B. Prevent improper payment of procedures that should not be billed together

Explanation:

The National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) was established to prevent improper payment of procedures that should not be billed together. It ensures that Medicare Part B does not pay for incorrect code combinations. While ensuring appropriate coding is a broad goal in medical billing, NCCI specifically focuses on preventing concurrent billing of procedures that shouldn't be combined.

70. Peter visited a dermatologist for a persistent rash. The doctor diagnosed him with atopic dermatitis of the hands. What ICD-10-CM code represents this diagnosis?

Answer: B. L20.82

Explanation:

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L20.82 is the ICD-10-CM code for atopic dermatitis of the hands. L20.81 is for atopic neurodermatitis, L20.83 is for infantile (exudative) eczema, and L20.84 is for intrinsic (allergic) eczema.

71. Sophia went to a dermatologist for a facial consultation. The doctor noticed a milia near her eye and removed it. Which CPT code represents the removal of milia?

Answer: C. 10040

Explanation:

10040 is the CPT code for acne surgery (e.g., marsupialization, opening or removal of multiple milia, comedones, cysts, pustules).

72. Owen was diagnosed with thyroid cancer. His oncologist recommended a total thyroidectomy. Which CPT code should be used for this procedure?

Answer: B. 60240

Explanation:

The correct code, 60240, pertains to a total thyroidectomy. While 60212 is for a thyroid lobectomy with isthmusectomy, 60100 is for a thyroid biopsy, and 60252 represents a thyroidectomy for malignancy with radical neck dissection.

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The scenario describes a total thyroidectomy without neck dissection, making 60240 the right choice.

73. According to the ICD-10-CM guidelines, when a patient has both an acute and chronic condition, which one should be sequenced first?

Answer: A. Acute condition

Explanation:

Per ICD-10-CM coding guidelines, if a patient has both an acute and a chronic condition and separate codes are available for both, the code for the acute condition is sequenced first. The acute condition is often the reason for the patient's current medical encounter and requires more immediate attention.

74. The term "hepatomegaly" refers to:

Answer: B. Enlargement of the liver

Explanation:

Hepatomegaly refers to an enlargement of the liver. It is not about inflammation (option A), disease (option C), or absence of the liver (option D).

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75. Jake came to the clinic for a routine checkup. The doctor asked him basic questions about his current health without going into a detailed history or review of systems. What CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

Answer: A. 99201

Explanation:

CPT code 99201 is used for a problem-focused history and examination for new patients in an office or outpatient setting. 99212 is for established patients, 99203 is for a detailed history, and 99204 is for a comprehensive history.

76. During her beach vacation, Lisa noticed a skin tag on her neck. Wanting to wear her new necklace without any obstructions, she decided to visit a dermatologist to have it removed. Which CPT code represents the removal of a skin tag?

Answer: D. 11200

Explanation:

11200 is the CPT code for removal of skin tags, multiple fibrocutaneous tags, any area; up to and including 15 lesions.

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77. Ava was having persistent nosebleeds. The ENT decided to cauterize the bleeding vessel in her nasal cavity. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

Answer: B. 30901

Explanation:

30901 is the CPT code for control nasal hemorrhage, anterior, simple (e.g., epistaxis, cautery, packing) any method.

78. During a dental cleaning, Dr. Adams noticed a white patch inside Hannah's mouth. She suggested a biopsy of the oral mucosa. Which CPT code covers a biopsy of the oral mucosa?

Answer: B. 41105

Explanation:

41105 pertains to biopsy of oral mucosa and/or lesion; vestibule of mouth.

79. After experiencing rapid heartbeats, Karen underwent an electrophysiology study. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: B. 93620

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Explanation:

The CPT code 93620 represents a comprehensive electrophysiologic evaluation. The other codes refer to different types or parts of electrophysiology studies and aren't as comprehensive as 93620.

80. While gardening, Chloe got a thorn embedded in her hand. She went to a healthcare provider who removed the foreign body. Which CPT code covers the removal of a foreign body from soft tissue?

Answer: D. 10120

Explanation:

10120 is the CPT code for incision and removal of foreign body, subcutaneous tissues; simple.

81. During a football match, Ethan had a collision and developed a hematoma in his upper arm. The doctor performed an incision to drain it. Which CPT code is appropriate for this procedure?

Answer: A. 20005

Explanation:

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20005 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of soft tissue abscess, leg or ankle; superficial.

82. The term "hyperglycemia" means:

Answer: C. High blood sugar level

Explanation:

Hyperglycemia refers to a high blood sugar level. It does not pertain to a low (option A) or normal (option B) blood sugar level, nor does it mean blood without sugar (option D).

83. Julie was diagnosed with iron-deficiency anemia secondary to chronic blood loss. Which ICD-10-CM code is appropriate for this diagnosis?

Answer: A. D50.0

Explanation:

D50.0 is the ICD-10-CM code for iron-deficiency anemia secondary to blood loss (chronic). D50.1 pertains to sideropenic dysphagia, D50.8 represents other iron-deficiency anemias, and D50.9 is for iron-deficiency anemia, unspecified.

84. Nathan visited the clinic with flu-like symptoms. The doctor took a brief history, focusing mainly on the respiratory

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system. Which CPT code represents this level of history-taking?

Answer: B. 99202

Explanation:

CPT code 99202 is used for an expanded problem-focused history and examination for new patients in an office or outpatient setting. 99201 is for a problem-focused history, 99203 is for a detailed history, and 99204 is for a comprehensive history.

85. Dr. Harris diagnosed Grace with hyperthyroidism and recommended a partial thyroidectomy. Which CPT code describes this procedure?

Answer: A. 60210

Explanation:

The correct code, 60210, refers to a partial thyroidectomy. While 60212 describes a complete thyroid lobectomy, 60100 is for a thyroid biopsy, and 60225 pertains to a thyroid lobectomy with contralateral subtotal lobectomy. In this scenario, only a partial thyroidectomy was performed, making 60210 the appropriate code.

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86. According to Medicare, the "Three-Day Payment Window Rule" refers to:

Answer: B. Services provided to a patient 3 days prior to their inpatient admission

Explanation:

The "Three-Day Payment Window Rule" (also known as the "72-hour rule") by Medicare refers to outpatient services (like tests or procedures) that are provided to a patient within the 3 days leading up to their inpatient hospital admission. These services are typically bundled and considered part of the inpatient stay for billing purposes.

87. In ICD-10-CM, how should unspecified codes be utilized?

Answer: B. Only when the documentation doesn't provide more specific information

Explanation:

Unspecified codes in ICD-10-CM should be used when the medical documentation does not provide enough information for a more specific code. Coders should always strive to code to the highest level of specificity and should use unspecified codes as a last resort.

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88. Sophia had recurrent UTIs. To determine the cause, her physician performed a cystography. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: D. 51600

Explanation:

The correct code, 51600, pertains to cystography. The other codes are: 50395 (Injection procedure for nephrostogram or ureterogram), 50250 (Ablation, renal tumor, unilateral, percutaneous), and 50200 (Renal biopsy).

89. In CPT coding, what does a modifier -25 indicate?

Answer: D. Significant and separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician on the same day of the procedure

Explanation:

The -25 modifier in CPT coding indicates that the patient's condition required a significant, separately identifiable E/M service, above and beyond the other service provided or beyond the usual preoperative and postoperative care associated with the procedure that was performed.

90. What does the term "cardiomyopathy" refer to?

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Answer: C. Disease of the heart muscle

Explanation:

Cardiomyopathy refers to a disease of the heart muscle. It does not pertain to inflammation (option A), enlargement (option B), or blockage in the arteries (option D).

91. James noticed a lump in his armpit and visited a physician who diagnosed it as an abscess. The doctor performed an incision and drainage. Which CPT code corresponds to this procedure?

Answer: A. 20002

Explanation:

20002 is the CPT code for incision and drainage of abscess of skin, subcutaneous or accessory structures; arm or leg.

92. George received an infusion of Remicade for his Crohn's disease. What HCPCS Level II code corresponds to the Remicade infusion?

Answer: A. J1745

Explanation:

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The HCPCS Level II code for an infusion of Remicade (infliximab) is J1745. This code represents an injection of infliximab, 10 mg.

93. When it comes to Medicare fraud and abuse, what does "upcoding" refer to?

Answer: B. Billing a higher service code than what was performed

Explanation:

"Upcoding" refers to the unethical practice of billing a higher service code than what was actually performed to receive a higher reimbursement. This is considered fraud as it leads to overbilling. The other choices refer to different types of fraudulent or incorrect billing practices, but they are not definitions of "upcoding".

94. Max complained of fatigue and frequent infections. His doctor ordered an immunoglobulin test to check his immune system's health. Which CPT code corresponds to the immunoglobulin test?

Answer: A. 82784

Explanation:

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Code 82784 is for the immunoglobulin test. The other codes represent different types of immunoglobulin tests or variations, but 82784 is the general code for such a test.

95. When a patient is admitted to the hospital for a high fever and is later diagnosed with sepsis, what should be the primary diagnosis according to ICD-10-CM guidelines?

Answer: B. Sepsis

Explanation:

According to ICD-10-CM guidelines, if sepsis is present upon admission, it should be coded as the primary diagnosis. Even if the initial reason for admission was another symptom (like a fever), if sepsis is diagnosed during the admission, it takes precedence due to its severity and the need for immediate medical attention.

96. Jason went to the clinic after noticing a sore that wouldn't heal inside his mouth. The doctor performed an excision of the oral lesion. Which CPT code represents this procedure?

Answer: B. 41110

Explanation:

41110 pertains to excision of lesion of oral mucosa without closure.

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97. Nancy was fitted with a below-the-knee artificial limb after her leg amputation. Which HCPCS Level II code represents this prosthetic?

Answer: B. L5637

Explanation:

The correct code for a below-the-knee artificial limb is L5637. This code pertains to the socket insert for below-knee, silicone gel, any type.

98. Tyler had a lump on his thyroid. The endocrinologist performed a fine needle aspiration biopsy. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: A. 60100

Explanation:

The correct code, 60100, refers to a fine needle aspiration biopsy of the thyroid. In contrast, 60240 describes a complete thyroidectomy, 60220 is for a thyroid lobectomy, and 60212 is for a complete thyroid lobectomy with isthmusectomy. The question explicitly mentions a biopsy, making 60100 the right choice.

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99. Lily felt a sudden blockage in her nose. The doctor diagnosed a deviated septum and recommended a septoplasty. Which CPT code pertains to this procedure?

Answer: D. 30520

Explanation:

30520 is the CPT code for septoplasty or submucous resection, with or without cartilage scoring, contouring or replacement with graft.

100. Anna received an injection of Botox for her chronic migraines. Which HCPCS Level II code represents the Botox injection?

Answer: A. J0585

Explanation:

The correct HCPCS Level II code for a Botox injection is J0585. This code represents an injection of onabotulinumtoxinA (Botox), 1 unit. The other codes, J0586, J0587, and J0588, represent other types of botulinum toxins.

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