

Tobacco Cessation Counseling

Codes 99406-99407 can be used to report smoking and tobacco use counseling provided to the patient for both commercial insurance and Medicare.

Frequency:

Two cessation attempts per year. Each attempt may include a maximum of 4 intermediate or intensive sessions, with the total annual benefit covering up to **8 sessions per year**.

Codes:

99406	Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit; Intermediate, greater than 3 up to 10 minutes
99407	Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit; Intensive, greater than 10 minutes

Documentation:

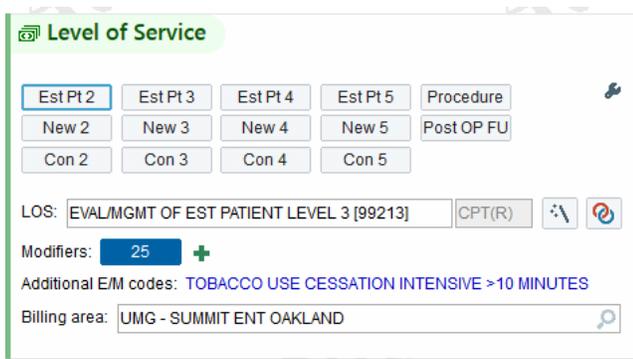
Must include total time spent and what was discussed (cessation techniques, resources) and follow-up visits.

Counseling lasting less than 3 minutes is considered part of an E/M service and is not paid separately.

Example:

Smokes 2 PPD, was given Wellbutrin RX in the past. Quit smoking x 5 yr., restarted 1 yr. ago. Counseled regarding smoking cessation and treatment options, gave 1800-quit-now number and RX for Wellbutrin. Total of 12 min was spent in counseling. Return in 2 months for follow up.

Be sure to have distinct documentation to support this service, if reported in conjunction with another evaluation and management (E/M) service, append modifier 25 to the E/M service.

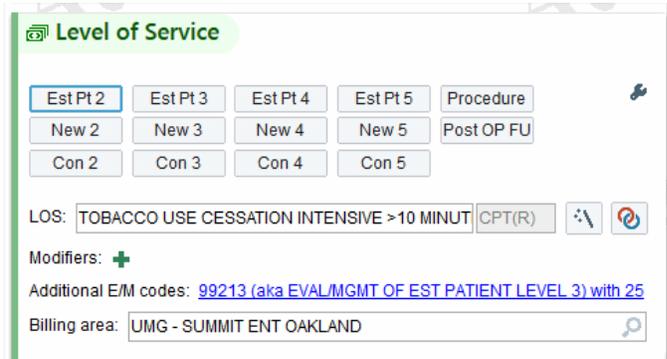


Level of Service

LOS:

Modifiers: TOBACCO USE CESSATION INTENSIVE >10 MINUTES

Billing area:



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LOS:

Modifiers:

Additional E/M codes: [99213 \(aka EVAL/MGMT OF EST PATIENT LEVEL 3\) with 25](#)

Billing area:

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Diagnosis table for appropriate ICD10 codes:

F12.210	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, uncomplicated	F17.299	Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, with unspecified nicotine-induced disorders
F17.211	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, in remission	T65.211A	Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
F17.213	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, with withdrawal	T65.212A	Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
F17.218	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, with other nicotine-induced disorders	T65.213A	Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, assault, initial encounter
F17.219	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, with unspecified nicotine-induced disorders	T65.214A	Toxic effect of chewing tobacco, assault, initial encounter
F17.220	Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, uncomplicated	T65.221A	Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
F17.221	Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, in remission	T65.222A	Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
F17.223	Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, with withdrawal	T65.223A	Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, assault, initial encounter
F17.228	Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, with other nicotine-induced disorders	T65.224A	Toxic effect of tobacco cigarettes, undetermined, initial encounter
F17.229	Nicotine dependence, chewing tobacco, with unspecified nicotine-induced disorders	T65.291A	Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, accidental (unintentional), initial encounter
F17.290	Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, uncomplicated	T65.292A	Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, intentional self-harm, initial encounter
F17.291	Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, in remission	T65.293A	Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, assault, initial encounter
F17.293	Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, with withdrawal	T65.294A	Toxic effect of other tobacco and nicotine, undetermined, initial encounter
F17.298	Nicotine dependence, other tobacco product, with other nicotine-induced disorders	Z87.891	Personal history of nicotine dependence

Resources:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prevention/PrevntionGenInfo/medicare-preventive-services/MPS-QuickReferenceChart-1.html#TOBACCO>