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E/M Documentation Changes 2021

The new documentation guidelines for office and outpatient visits go into effect on January 1, 2021. The level of service will now be determined by new guidelines, and you will have the choice of time or medical decision making. These changes will be in effect for all insurance carriers and will be published in CPT 2021. Please contact me with any questions or concerns regarding these changes.

Visco-supplement Code Changes

Two code changes for visco-supplement became effective on July 1, 2020.

- J7321- Hyalgan or Supartz, per dose- revised
- J7333- Visco-3, per dose- added

Spine Radiofrequency

There has been some confusion regarding the CPT code 64625 that became effective on January 1, 2020 and other codes. 64625 is to be used for radiofrequency ablation of nerves innervating the SI joint. 63635 is for destruction of paravertebral facet joint nerve(s) and is reported per facet joint. For denervation of the facet joint using thermal energy of <80 degrees Celsius, or pulsed radiofrequency, this should be reported as 64999.

ICD-10-Update 2021

The ICD-10 updates become effective on October 1, 2020. There are changes to include rheumatoid arthritis and osteoporosis. The new codes for musculoskeletal are as follows:

- M05.7A Rheumatoid arthritis with rheumatoid factor of other specified site without organ or systems involvement
- M05.8A Other rheumatoid arthritis with rheumatoid factor other specified site
- M06.0A Rheumatoid arthritis without rheumatoid factor, other specified site
- M06.8A Other specified rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
- M08.0A Unspecified juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
- M08.2A Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis with systemic onset, other specified site
- M08.4A Pauciarticular juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, other specified site
- M08.9A Juvenile arthritis, unspecified, other specified site

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- M19.09 Primary osteoarthritis, other specified site
- M19.19 Post-traumatic osteoarthritis, other specified site
- M19.29 Secondary osteoarthritis, other specified site
- M24.19 Other articular cartilage disorders, other specified site
- M24.29 Disorder of ligament, other specified site
- M24.39 Pathological dislocation of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
- M24.49 Recurrent dislocation, other specified joint
- M24.59 Contracture, other specified joint
- M24.69 Ankylosis, other specified joint
- M24.89 Other specified joint derangement of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
- M25.39 Other instability, other specified joint
- M25.59 Pain in other specified joint
- M25.69 Stiffness of other specified joint, not elsewhere classified
- M80.0 Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture
 - M80.0A- other site
 - M80.0AXA- initial encounter
 - M80.0AXD- subsequent encounter, routine healing
 - M80.0AXG- subsequent encounter, delayed healing
 - M80.0AXK- subsequent encounter, nonunion
 - M80.0AXP- subsequent encounter, malunion
 - M80.0AXS- sequela
- M80.8 Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture
 - M80.8AXA- initial encounter
 - M80.8AXD- subsequent encounter, routine healing
 - M80.8AXG- subsequent encounter, delayed healing
 - M80.8AXK- subsequent encounter, nonunion
 - M80.8AXP- subsequent encounter, malunion
 - M80.8AXS- sequela
- M92.50 Juvenile osteochondrosis of tibia and fibula
 - M92.501- right
 - M92.502- left
 - M92.503- bilateral
- M92.51 Juvenile osteochondrosis of proximal tibia
 - M92.511- right
 - M92.512- left
 - M92.513- bilateral
- M92.52 Juvenile osteochondrosis tibial tubercle
 - M92.521- right
 - M92.522- left
 - M92.523- bilateral
- M92.59 Other juvenile osteochondrosis of the tibia and fibula
 - M92.591- right
 - M92.592- left
 - M92.593- bilateral