

ANNUAL WELLNESS VISIT AND ROUTINE PHYSICAL EXAM GUIDE

Members can receive an Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) and routine physical exam at any time during the calendar year. The routine physical exam can be done during the same time as the AWV. During the wellness visit and physical exam, the provider will develop a personalized prevention plan, complete the Health Risk 360 (HR360), perform a physical examination and a comprehensive review of systems. A physician or advanced practice provider can complete these visits.

These visits will include the following components:

- A comprehensive history and physical examination
- A review of any chronic conditions
- Ordering of laboratory and radiology services
- Any ordering of preventive screenings
- Counseling for risk-factor interventions

The member will not have a copay, coinsurance or deductible for the routine physical exam and AWV.

Routine Physical Exam		
СРТ	Description	
99385-99387 No modifier needed	Annual Routine Physical Exam – New Patient	
99395-99397 No modifier needed	Annual Routine Physical Exam – Established Patient	

Welcome to Medicare		
HCPCS	Description	
G0402	Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) – first 12 months of enrollment into Medicare Part B	

Annual Wellness Visit (AWV), Exams and Screenings	
HCPCS	Description
G0438	Annual Wellness Visit (AWV), Initial – Includes a personalized prevention plan of service (PPS) – after the first 12 months of enrollment
G0439	Annual Wellness Visit (AWV), Subsequent – Includes a personalized plan of service (PPS)
Depression Screening*	
G0444	Annual Depression Screening – fifteen minutes

*A depression screening is a required element of the initial AWV. However, the depression screening code, G0444, is not separately payable when the initial AWV code, G0438, is billed. It is appropriate to bill both codes if a depression screening is completed at the time of a subsequent AWV (HCPCS code G0439).

	Routine Physical Exam and Annual Wellness Visit Diagnoses	
ICD-10	Description	
Z00.00	Encounter for general adult medical examination without abnormal findings	
Z00.01	Encounter for general adult medical examination with abnormal findings	

HCPCS CODES G0402 (WELCOME TO MEDICARE) AND G0438 (INITIAL EXAM)

Welcome to Medicare is only covered once per lifetime.

Included in visit:

- Completion of an HR360
- List of providers involved in patient's medical care
- Medical/family history
- Screening of cognitive impairments, mental risk factors, level of safety and functioning abilities
- Review of patient's mental risk factors, functional ability and level of safety
- Establishment of a personalized prevention plan
- Health advice, health education, referrals or preventive counseling service to help reduce any risk factors
- Advanced care planning services at patient's discretion

HCPCS CODE G0439 (SUBSEQUENT AWVs)

This code is to be used once per calendar year after the patient's initial visit.

Included in visit (update all as needed):

- Completion of an HR360
- List of providers involved in patient's medical care
- Medical/family history
- Screening of cognitive impairments, mental risk factors, level of safety and functioning abilities
- Establishment of a personalized prevention plan
- Health advice, health education, referrals or preventive counseling service to help reduce any risk factors
- Advanced care planning services at patient's discretion

Be sure to include on the claim the appropriate ICD-10 codes (Z00.00 or Z00.01) as well as ALL other active diagnoses considered during the visit.

AWV AND ANNUAL PHYSICAL CLAIMS FILING REQUIREMENTS

In-Person Visit

Include the BMI ICD-10 code and blood pressure CPT II codes on the claim. If the BMI diagnosis or blood pressure result codes are omitted from the claim, the claim will reject on your audit report.

You should also report the results if coding Hemoglobin A1C lab (CPT code 83036) or home test (CPT code 83037). If performing an A1C test in the office, file the appropriate CPT II code 83036 or 83037 with the Category II code result code on the claim.

Telehealth Visit (Audio and Video)

Include the required place-of-service code:

- 02 In a place other than the patient's home
- 10 In the patient's home

Note: The Welcome to Medicare IPPE cannot be performed through telehealth.

For more information, visit MLN6775421 - Medicare Wellness Visits (cms.gov).





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