

## RESEARCH LETTER

## Trends in Medicare Reimbursement within Dermatology: 2011-2021

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Recently, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services (CMS) have emphasized increased reimbursement for evaluation and management services (E/M) with compensatory cuts in procedural services. To date, a paucity of data exists examining reimbursement for E/M and procedural services within dermatology.<sup>1</sup> This was a longitudinal analysis of reimbursement rates

through time for common services, both E/M and procedural, performed by dermatologists to ascertain if trends were similar to other fields studied to date.<sup>2-5</sup>

Using the Physician/Supplier Procedure Summary (PSPS), a CMS database which tracks Medicare Part B claims per year, an extraction of the 20 most common Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes billed by a dermatologist was performed (Table 1). An additional extraction of ten common E/M service codes billed in dermatology was extracted. Using the CMS Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) look-up tool, which contains reimbursement for HCPCS codes through time, reimbursement rates for the extracted HCPCS codes were tabulated for the years 2011-2021. The consumer price index for medical care was then used to adjust nominal reimbursement to real 2021 US

dollars. Statistical analyses were accomplished with Microsoft Excel. Trends were evaluated using linear regression with a significance level of p of 0.05 or below. For a comprehensive index of reimbursement rates from 2011-2021 please see Supplemental Table 1.

Without adjusting for inflation, reimbursement for all services analyzed increased 18.3%. When adjusted for inflation, average reimbursement declined by 9.57%. Twenty two of thirty services decreased in reimbursement. Reimbursement for E/M codes specifically decline by 8.34% when adjusted for inflation. Seven out of ten E/M codes experienced a decrease. Reimbursement for the 20 most common procedural codes decreased by 10.80% when adjusted for inflation. Fifteen out of twenty codes declined in reimbursement (Table 2).

The inflation adjusted decline in reimbursement seen here parallels the average declines in other specialties including plastic and reconstructive surgery (14%), general surgery (24%), neurosurgery (26%), ophthalmology (26%), and otolaryngology (38%).<sup>2-5</sup> E/M services make up a large portion of total payments to dermatologists, and inflation-adjusted

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decline in E/M services from 2011-2021 is noteworthy.

Limitations of this study include that some codes change over time. PSPS did not contain HCPCS codes charged 10 or fewer times in a given locality, potentially underestimating the total submitted services rendered. Extrapolation to general populations is difficult when only examining Medicare reimbursement which did not include individuals with supplemental Medicare plans nor individuals with private insurance. However a relative strength is longitudinal nature of this assessment, involving a decade of data attesting to the status of dermatology E/M and surgical services within Medicare.

decrease was demonstrated in both E/M and procedural services. Future studies may reveal the impact of these trends on providers, practices, and patients.

The average decrease in reimbursement for all services and procedures examined here parallels other specialties in trend but is smaller in magnitude of decline. This

**Table 1.** Common services performed by a dermatologist in 2019

Common services performed by a dermatologist in 2019			
20 Most Common Procedures			
HCPCS Code	Procedure Description	2019 Submitted Services	2019 Reimbursement
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	14,861,990	\$5.77
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	4,518,895	\$66.67
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	2,502,134	\$100.91
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	1,697,547	\$112.80
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	1,112,055	\$54.42
95044	Allergy patch testing	867,223	\$5.77
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	682,436	\$155.33
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	342,824	\$116.77
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	268,622	\$492.29
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	238,580	\$180.56
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	229,473	\$126.86
12032	Intermediate repair	210,625	\$311.74
11900	Intralesional injection	193,506	\$55.50
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	191,286	\$25.23
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	177,174	\$254.44

13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)		\$441.84
		169,546	
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy		\$21.98
		165,762	
77280	Set radiation therapy field		\$282.55
		155,304	
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm		\$122.53
		141,373	
69100	Biopsy of external ear		\$100.55
		118,656	
<b>Evaluation and Management</b>			
HCPCS Code	Procedure Description	2019 Submitted Services	2019 Reimbursement
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)		\$46.49
		57,709	
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)		\$77.48
		649,072	
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30 minutes)		\$109.92
		870,984	
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45 minutes)		\$166.86
		35,726	
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60 minutes)		\$209.75
		2,008	
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)		\$23.07
		40,616	
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)		\$45.77
		1,519,979	
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)		\$75.32
		6,103,195	
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (25 minutes)		\$110.28
		2,404,351	
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40 minutes)		\$147.76
		23,336	

**Table 2.** Nominal vs. inflation adjusted changes in Medicare reimbursement 2011 to 2021

HCPCS Code	Description	Top 20 Most Common Procedures							
		Unadjusted Reimbursement				Reimbursement Adjusted for Inflation with Medical Care CPI			
		2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value	2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$7.14	\$6.63	-7.14%	0.131	\$9.35	\$6.63	-29.06%	0.007
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$79.51	\$67.34	-15.31%	<0.001	\$104.07	\$67.34	-35.30%	<0.001
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$102.27	\$106.42	4.06%	0.609	\$133.87	\$106.42	-20.50%	<0.001
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$108.39	\$116.19	7.20%	0.002	\$141.88	\$116.19	-18.10%	<0.001
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$32.62	\$54.08	65.79%	0.001	\$42.70	\$54.08	26.66%	0.037
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$6.12	\$5.58	-8.82%	0.016	\$8.01	\$5.58	-30.34%	<0.001
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$171.92	\$169.23	-1.56%	0.181	\$225.03	\$169.23	-24.80%	<0.001
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$69.31	\$122.13	76.21%	<0.001	\$90.72	\$122.13	34.62%	0.009
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$576.24	\$491.30	-14.74%	0.023	\$754.27	\$491.30	-34.86%	<0.001
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$171.92	\$182.49	6.15%	<0.001	\$225.03	\$182.49	-18.91%	<0.001
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$102.27	\$133.29	30.33%	<0.001	\$133.87	\$133.29	-0.43%	0.658
12032	Intermediate repair	\$302.05	\$316.13	4.66%	0.002	\$395.37	\$316.13	-20.04%	<0.001
11900	Intralesional injection	\$55.38	\$57.57	3.95%	0.053	\$72.49	\$57.57	-20.58%	<0.001
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$25.48	\$43.97	72.57%	0.027	\$33.35	\$43.97	31.84%	0.347
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$242.25	\$253.67	4.71%	0.001	\$317.09	\$253.67	-20.00%	<0.001
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$438.64	\$445.59	1.58%	0.474	\$574.15	\$445.59	-22.39%	<0.001
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$20.73	\$23.73	14.47%	0.023	\$27.13	\$23.73	-12.55%	<0.001
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$188.91	\$289.61	53.31%	<0.001	\$247.27	\$289.61	17.12%	0.062
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$91.74	\$127.71	39.21%	0.002	\$120.08	\$127.71	6.35%	0.857

HCPCS Code	Description	2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value	2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$102.95	\$101.54	-1.37%	0.112	\$134.76	\$101.54	-24.65%	<0.001
Evaluation and Management									
Unadjusted Reimbursement					Reimbursement Adjusted for Inflation with Medical Care CPI				
HCPCS Code	Description	2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value	2011	2021	Percent Change	P-value
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	\$41.11	46.56*	13.26%	<0.001	53.81066	47.01*	-12.63%	<0.001
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$71.01	73.97	4.17%	<0.001	92.94806	73.97	-20.42%	<0.001
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$102.95	113.75	10.49%	<0.001	134.7557	113.75	-15.59%	<0.001
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$158.33	169.93	7.33%	<0.001	207.245	169.93	-18.01%	<0.001
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$197.06	224.36	13.85%	<0.001	257.9404	224.36	-13.02%	<0.001
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$19.71	23.03	16.84%	<0.001	25.79927	23.03	-10.73%	0.008
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$41.45	56.88	37.23%	<0.001	54.2557	56.88	4.84%	0.123
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$68.97	92.47	34.07%	<0.001	90.27781	92.47	2.43%	0.054
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$102.27	131.20	28.29%	<0.001	133.8656	131.20	-1.99%	0.007
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$137.60	183.19	33.13%	<0.001	180.1106	183.19	1.71%	0.044
*Reimbursement rate for 99201 from 2021 unavailable. Rate from 2020 was used as a proxy.									

**Supplemental Table 1. Comprehensive index of Medicare reimbursement 2011 to 2021**

No adjustment for inflation						
Top 20 Most Common Procedures						
HCPCS Code	Description	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 6.63	\$ 6.14	\$ 5.77	\$ 5.40	\$ 5.74
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 67.34	\$ 66.77	\$ 66.67	\$ 67.68	\$ 67.83
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 106.42	\$ 102.49	\$ 100.91	\$ 108.00	\$ 105.15
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 116.19	\$ 114.40	\$ 112.80	\$ 114.48	\$ 112.69
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 54.08	\$ 54.50	\$ 54.42	\$ 33.48	\$ 33.38
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.41	\$ 5.77	\$ 5.76	\$ 5.74
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 169.23	\$ 161.68	\$ 155.33	\$ 147.96	\$ 152.89
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 122.13	\$ 118.37	\$ 116.77	\$ 115.56	\$ 72.14
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 491.30	\$ 490.46	\$ 492.29	\$ 488.16	\$ 485.57
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 182.49	\$ 180.81	\$ 180.56	\$ 180.00	\$ 178.01
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 133.29	\$ 128.84	\$ 126.86	\$ 108.00	\$ 105.15
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 316.13	\$ 310.01	\$ 311.74	\$ 309.96	\$ 309.00
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 57.57	\$ 56.30	\$ 55.50	\$ 57.60	\$ 56.70
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 43.97	\$ 24.90	\$ 25.23	\$ 25.56	\$ 25.12
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 253.67	\$ 253.35	\$ 254.44	\$ 254.88	\$ 253.02
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 445.59	\$ 441.74	\$ 441.84	\$ 437.76	\$ 435.33
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 23.73	\$ 22.74	\$ 21.98	\$ 21.24	\$ 21.17
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 289.61	\$ 283.30	\$ 282.55	\$ 287.28	\$ 278.86
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 127.71	\$ 124.51	\$ 122.53	\$ 123.12	\$ 122.74
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 101.54	\$ 100.69	\$ 100.55	\$ 103.32	\$ 102.64
Evaluation and Management						
HCPCS Code	Description	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	Not Available	\$ 46.56	\$ 46.49	\$ 45.36	\$ 44.50

99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 73.97	\$ 77.23	\$ 77.48	\$ 76.32	\$ 75.72
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 113.75	\$ 109.35	\$ 109.92	\$ 109.80	\$ 109.46
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 169.93	\$ 167.10	\$ 166.86	\$ 167.40	\$ 166.17
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 224.36	\$ 211.12	\$ 209.75	\$ 210.60	\$ 209.23
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 23.03	\$ 23.46	\$ 23.07	\$ 21.96	\$ 20.46
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 56.88	\$ 46.20	\$ 45.77	\$ 44.64	\$ 44.14
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 92.47	\$ 76.15	\$ 75.32	\$ 74.16	\$ 73.93
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 131.20	\$ 110.43	\$ 110.28	\$ 109.44	\$ 108.74
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 183.19	\$ 148.33	\$ 147.76	\$ 147.60	\$ 146.43

Top 20 Most Common Procedures						
HCPCS Code	Description	2016	2015B	2015A	2014	2013
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 5.73	\$ 5.75	\$ 5.72	\$ 10.03	\$ 6.81
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 67.67	\$ 67.20	\$ 66.86	\$ 75.23	\$ 83.36
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 104.55	\$ 104.93	\$ 104.40	\$ 102.45	\$ 106.49
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 112.07	\$ 112.11	\$ 111.56	\$ 109.26	\$ 114.32
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 33.30	\$ 33.06	\$ 32.89	\$ 32.60	\$ 32.66
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 5.73	\$ 5.75	\$ 5.72	\$ 5.37	\$ 5.78
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 152.89	\$ 152.00	\$ 151.24	\$ 151.24	\$ 172.84
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 72.14	\$ 72.23	\$ 71.87	\$ 71.87	\$ 76.21
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 483.36	\$ 483.31	\$ 480.90	\$ 475.37	\$ 486.19
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 177.23	\$ 177.15	\$ 176.27	\$ 173.74	\$ 178.96
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 104.55	\$ 104.93	\$ 104.40	\$ 102.45	\$ 106.49
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 307.20	\$ 306.87	\$ 305.35	\$ 301.27	\$ 311.99
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 56.21	\$ 56.06	\$ 55.78	\$ 55.17	\$ 56.82
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 24.35	\$ 20.84	\$ 20.74	\$ 20.06	\$ 20.75
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 251.35	\$ 250.82	\$ 249.57	\$ 247.18	\$ 253.81
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 433.23	\$ 432.28	\$ 430.13	\$ 425.93	\$ 437.20
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 20.77	\$ 20.84	\$ 20.74	\$ 20.42	\$ 22.12
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 276.05	\$ 272.74	\$ 271.38	\$ 271.54	\$ 181.00
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 121.02	\$ 121.46	\$ 120.85	\$ 118.22	\$ 123.16
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 102.04	\$ 102.41	\$ 101.90	\$ 99.95	\$ 103.77
Evaluation and Management						
HCPCS Code	Description	2016	2015B	2015A	2014	2013
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	\$ 44.04	\$ 44.20	\$ 43.98	\$ 43.35	\$ 43.89
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 75.19	\$ 75.46	\$ 75.08	\$ 74.51	\$ 74.51
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 108.85	\$ 109.60	\$ 109.05	\$ 108.19	\$ 108.19
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 166.13	\$ 166.73	\$ 165.90	\$ 166.22	\$ 164.67
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 208.38	\$ 209.49	\$ 208.45	\$ 207.06	\$ 203.80
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 20.05	\$ 20.12	\$ 20.02	\$ 20.06	\$ 20.41
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 43.68	\$ 44.20	\$ 43.98	\$ 43.70	\$ 43.89
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 73.40	\$ 73.30	\$ 72.94	\$ 73.08	\$ 72.81
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 108.13	\$ 108.88	\$ 108.34	\$ 107.83	\$ 106.83

99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 145.72	\$ 146.97	\$ 146.24	\$ 144.37	\$ 142.90
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### Top 20 Most Common Procedures

HCPSC Code	Description	2012B	2012A	2011
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 7.15	\$ 7.15	\$ 7.14
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 81.01	\$ 81.01	\$ 79.51
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 103.82	\$ 103.82	\$ 102.27
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 110.96	\$ 110.96	\$ 108.39
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 32.68	\$ 32.68	\$ 32.62
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 6.13	\$ 6.13	\$ 6.12
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 171.89	\$ 171.89	\$ 171.92
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 72.16	\$ 72.16	\$ 69.31
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 580.34	\$ 580.34	\$ 576.24
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 175.29	\$ 175.29	\$ 171.92
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 103.82	\$ 103.82	\$ 102.27
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 304.64	\$ 304.64	\$ 302.05
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 55.82	\$ 55.82	\$ 55.38
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 22.12	\$ 22.12	\$ 25.48
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 247.45	\$ 247.45	\$ 242.25
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 443.85	\$ 443.85	\$ 438.64
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 21.44	\$ 21.44	\$ 20.73
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 187.55	\$ 187.55	\$ 188.91
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 93.26	\$ 93.26	\$ 91.74
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 102.79	\$ 102.79	\$ 102.95

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HCPSC Code	Description	2012B	2012A	2011
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	\$ 42.55	\$ 42.55	\$ 41.11
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 72.50	\$ 72.50	\$ 71.01
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 105.18	\$ 105.18	\$ 102.95
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 160.66	\$ 160.66	\$ 158.33
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 199.46	\$ 199.46	\$ 197.06
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 19.74	\$ 19.74	\$ 19.71
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 42.55	\$ 42.55	\$ 41.45
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 70.46	\$ 70.46	\$ 68.97
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 104.16	\$ 104.16	\$ 102.27
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 139.90	\$ 139.90	\$ 137.60

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#### Top 20 Most Common Procedures

HCPSC Code	Description	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 6.63	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.07	\$ 5.84	\$ 6.33

17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 67.34	\$ 67.42	\$ 70.08	\$ 73.15	\$ 74.76
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 106.42	\$ 103.49	\$ 106.07	\$ 116.74	\$ 115.90
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 116.19	\$ 115.51	\$ 118.57	\$ 123.74	\$ 124.21
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 54.08	\$ 55.03	\$ 57.20	\$ 36.19	\$ 36.79
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.46	\$ 6.07	\$ 6.23	\$ 6.33
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 169.23	\$ 163.25	\$ 163.28	\$ 159.93	\$ 168.52
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 122.13	\$ 119.52	\$ 122.74	\$ 124.91	\$ 79.51
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 491.30	\$ 495.22	\$ 517.48	\$ 527.65	\$ 535.21
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 182.49	\$ 182.57	\$ 189.80	\$ 194.56	\$ 196.21
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 133.29	\$ 130.09	\$ 133.35	\$ 116.74	\$ 115.90
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 316.13	\$ 313.02	\$ 327.69	\$ 335.03	\$ 340.59
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 57.57	\$ 56.85	\$ 58.34	\$ 62.26	\$ 62.50
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 43.97	\$ 25.14	\$ 26.52	\$ 27.63	\$ 27.69
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 253.67	\$ 255.81	\$ 267.46	\$ 275.50	\$ 278.89
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 445.59	\$ 446.03	\$ 464.45	\$ 473.17	\$ 479.83
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 23.73	\$ 22.96	\$ 23.10	\$ 22.96	\$ 23.33
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 289.61	\$ 286.05	\$ 297.01	\$ 310.52	\$ 307.37
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 127.71	\$ 125.72	\$ 128.80	\$ 133.08	\$ 135.29
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 101.54	\$ 101.67	\$ 105.69	\$ 111.68	\$ 113.13
<b>Evaluation and Management</b>						
HCPCS Code	Description	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	Not Available	\$ 47.01	\$ 48.87	\$ 49.03	\$ 49.05
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 73.97	\$ 77.98	\$ 81.44	\$ 82.49	\$ 83.46
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 113.75	\$ 110.41	\$ 115.54	\$ 118.68	\$ 120.65
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 169.93	\$ 168.72	\$ 175.40	\$ 180.94	\$ 183.16
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 224.36	\$ 213.17	\$ 220.48	\$ 227.64	\$ 230.62
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 23.03	\$ 23.69	\$ 24.25	\$ 23.74	\$ 22.55
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 56.88	\$ 46.65	\$ 48.11	\$ 48.25	\$ 48.65

99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 92.47	\$ 76.89	\$ 79.17	\$ 80.16	\$ 81.49
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 131.20	\$ 111.50	\$ 115.92	\$ 118.29	\$ 119.86
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 183.19	\$ 149.77	\$ 155.32	\$ 159.54	\$ 161.40

### Top 20 Most Common Procedures

HCPCS Code	Description	2016	2015B	2015A	2014	2013
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 6.47	\$ 6.74	\$ 6.71	\$ 12.07	\$ 8.39
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 76.46	\$ 78.81	\$ 78.41	\$ 90.55	\$ 102.73
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 118.13	\$ 123.05	\$ 122.43	\$ 123.31	\$ 131.23
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 126.63	\$ 131.47	\$ 130.83	\$ 131.50	\$ 140.88
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 37.63	\$ 38.77	\$ 38.57	\$ 39.24	\$ 40.25
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 6.47	\$ 6.74	\$ 6.71	\$ 6.46	\$ 7.12
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 172.75	\$ 178.25	\$ 177.36	\$ 182.03	\$ 213.00
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 81.51	\$ 84.71	\$ 84.28	\$ 86.50	\$ 93.92
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 546.16	\$ 566.79	\$ 563.96	\$ 572.15	\$ 599.16
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 200.26	\$ 207.75	\$ 206.72	\$ 209.11	\$ 220.54
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 118.13	\$ 123.05	\$ 122.43	\$ 123.31	\$ 131.23
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 347.11	\$ 359.87	\$ 358.09	\$ 362.61	\$ 384.48
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 63.51	\$ 65.74	\$ 65.41	\$ 66.40	\$ 70.02
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 27.51	\$ 24.44	\$ 24.32	\$ 24.14	\$ 25.57
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 284.01	\$ 294.14	\$ 292.68	\$ 297.50	\$ 312.78
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 489.51	\$ 506.94	\$ 504.42	\$ 512.65	\$ 538.78
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 23.47	\$ 24.44	\$ 24.32	\$ 24.58	\$ 27.26
77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 311.91	\$ 319.85	\$ 318.25	\$ 326.82	\$ 223.06
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 136.74	\$ 142.44	\$ 141.72	\$ 142.29	\$ 151.78
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 115.30	\$ 120.10	\$ 119.50	\$ 120.30	\$ 127.88

### Evaluation and Management

HCPCS Code	Description	2016	2015B	2015A	2014	2013
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	\$ 49.76	\$ 51.83	\$ 51.58	\$ 52.18	\$ 54.09



99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 84.96	\$ 88.49	\$ 88.05	\$ 89.68	\$ 91.82
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 122.99	\$ 128.53	\$ 127.89	\$ 130.22	\$ 133.33
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 187.71	\$ 195.53	\$ 194.55	\$ 200.06	\$ 202.93
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 235.45	\$ 245.67	\$ 244.45	\$ 249.22	\$ 251.15
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 22.65	\$ 23.60	\$ 23.48	\$ 24.14	\$ 25.15
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 49.35	\$ 51.83	\$ 51.58	\$ 52.60	\$ 54.09
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 82.94	\$ 85.96	\$ 85.54	\$ 87.96	\$ 89.73
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 122.18	\$ 127.69	\$ 127.05	\$ 129.78	\$ 131.65
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 164.65	\$ 172.35	\$ 171.50	\$ 173.76	\$ 176.10

### Top 20 Most Common Procedures

HCPCS Code	Description	2012B	2012A	2011
17003	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 9.03	\$ 9.03	\$ 9.35
17000	Destruction of premalignant lesion	\$ 102.29	\$ 102.29	\$ 104.07
11102	Tangential biopsy of skin	\$ 131.09	\$ 131.09	\$ 133.87
17110	Destruction of benign lesion.	\$ 140.11	\$ 140.11	\$ 141.88
11103	Tangential skin biopsy add-on	\$ 41.26	\$ 41.26	\$ 42.70
95044	Allergy patch testing	\$ 7.74	\$ 7.74	\$ 8.01
17004	Destruction of premalignant lesion add-on	\$ 217.04	\$ 217.04	\$ 225.03
96910	Photochemotherapy with UV-B	\$ 91.11	\$ 91.11	\$ 90.72
13132	Complex repair (cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, feet)	\$ 732.78	\$ 732.78	\$ 754.27
17262	Destruction of malignant lesion	\$ 221.33	\$ 221.33	\$ 225.03
11104	Punch biopsy of skin lesion	\$ 131.09	\$ 131.09	\$ 133.87
12032	Intermediate repair	\$ 384.66	\$ 384.66	\$ 395.37
11900	Intralesional injection	\$ 70.48	\$ 70.48	\$ 72.49
77401	Radiation treatment delivery	\$ 27.93	\$ 27.93	\$ 33.35
11602	Excision of malignant lesion	\$ 312.45	\$ 312.45	\$ 317.09
13121	Complex repair (scalp, arm, legs)	\$ 560.44	\$ 560.44	\$ 574.15
96900	Ultraviolet light therapy	\$ 27.07	\$ 27.07	\$ 27.13

77280	Set radiation therapy field	\$ 236.82	\$ 236.82	\$ 247.27
11301	Shave skin lesion 0.6-1.0 cm	\$ 117.76	\$ 117.76	\$ 120.08
69100	Biopsy of external ear	\$ 129.79	\$ 129.79	\$ 134.76
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HCPCS Code	Description	2012B	2012A	2011
99201	Office/outpatient visit new patient (10 minutes)	\$ 53.73	\$ 53.73	\$ 53.81
99202	Office/outpatient visit new patient (20 minutes)	\$ 91.54	\$ 91.54	\$ 92.95
99203	Office/outpatient visit new patient (30-44 minutes)	\$ 132.81	\$ 132.81	\$ 134.76
99204	Office/outpatient visit new patient (45-59 minutes)	\$ 202.86	\$ 202.86	\$ 207.24
99205	Office/outpatient visit new patient (60-74 minutes)	\$ 251.85	\$ 251.85	\$ 257.94
99211	Office/outpatient visit established patient (5 minutes)	\$ 24.93	\$ 24.93	\$ 25.80
99212	Office/outpatient visit established patient (10 minutes)	\$ 53.73	\$ 53.73	\$ 54.26
99213	Office/outpatient visit established patient (15 minutes)	\$ 88.97	\$ 88.97	\$ 90.28
99214	Office/outpatient visit established patient (30-39 minutes)	\$ 131.52	\$ 131.52	\$ 133.87
99215	Office/outpatient visit established (40-54 minutes)	\$ 176.65	\$ 176.65	\$ 180.11
Prior to 2019 all biopsy codes (red) were classified as 11100 for single lesion and 11101 for add-on				

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