

## Coding Tip of the Month: Archived

### August 2022

Providers can now bill for total time spent on both face-to-face and non-face-to-face activities for office and outpatient evaluation and management services (with some exceptions). Be sure to document the time spent on the service and corresponding activities in the note to support the E/M service selected. For more information on selecting an E/M service based on time, see the ASCO resource ["2021 Evaluation and Management Changes: Selecting a Code Based on Time"](#).

### July 2022

While chemotherapy patients do require some monitoring, not all chemotherapy plans fall under the classification as a drug requiring intensive monitoring. Drugs requiring intensive monitoring should have a high risk of morbidity. Monitoring can be done by lab test, physiologic test, or imaging but must be done for assessment of adverse effects, not for therapeutic efficacy.

### June 2022

While a chemotherapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity may result in a high level of risk for comorbidity for the treatment management, the office visit may not result in a level 5 office visit. Office visits are based on the lowest level of two out of the three MDW sections when based on medical decision making.