Chief Complaint is absolutely necessary for every note. Without it, it’s an unbillable note.

### HISTORY CRITERIA

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### EXAM CRITERIA

List all positive and pertinent negative findings:

- **Body Areas (BA):**
  - Head, Face
  - Neck
  - Chest, Breast, Axillae
  - Abdomen
  - Genitalia, Groin, Buttocks
  - Back, Spine
  - Each Extremity

- **Organ Systems (OS):**
  - Constitutional
  - Eyes
  - Ears/Nose/Mouth/Throat
  - Cardiovascular
  - Respiratory
  - Gastrointestinal
  - Genitourinary
  - Musculoskeletal
  - Skin
  - Constititional
  - Eyes
  - Ears/Nose/Mouth/Throat
  - Cardiovascular
  - Respiratory
  - Gastrointestinal
  - Genitourinary
  - Musculoskeletal
  - Skin

### MEDICAL DECISION MAKING

2 out of 3 need to be met:

- **A. # of DX**
  - Straightforward (99212/99202)
  - Low Complexity (99213/99203)
  - Moderate Complexity (99214/99204)
  - High Complexity (99215/99205)

- **B. Data Reviewed**
  - Minimal (0-1)
  - Low (2)
  - Moderate (3)
  - High (4+)

- **C. RISK**
  - Minimal
  - Low
  - Moderate
  - High

*See TABLE OF RISK of Complications, Morbidity or Mortality. Highest level determines overall risk (see row C). The new visit codes 99202-99205

### DIAGNOSES/MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

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Total

Established prob worsening e.g. when you have to make med changes etc. Self limited/minor = e.g cold, insect bite, tinea corporis.

Discuss test results w/ performing MD = You have to do it on phone/face-to-face, and you have to document it. Happens often in hospital setting.