Getting Reimbursed:
Updates on Billing and Documentation for Psychological and Neuropsychological Testing

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Objectives

- Provide an update on APA Services, Inc.’s advocacy efforts related to testing codes
- Briefly review the testing codes and definitions
- Address major billing and documentation developments
- Discuss how to document your work
- Apply the new codes using expanded practical examples
- Responses to “Frequently Asked Questions”
Existing vs. 2019 Psychological Testing Codes

- 90791 Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation
- 96101 Psychological testing per hour psychologist’s or physician’s time
- 96102 Psychological testing per hour technician time
- 96136 Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Physician or other QHP, first 30 minutes
- + 96137 Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Physician or other QHP, each add’l 30 minutes
- 96130 Psychological Testing Evaluation, first hour
- + 96131 Psychological Testing Evaluation, each add’l hour
- 96138 Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Technician, first 30 mins
- + 96139 Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Technician, each add’l 30 mins

No Change for 2019
Existing vs. 2019 Neuropsychological Testing Codes

- **96116** Neurobehavioral Status Exam
- **96116** Neurobehavioral Status Exam per hour physician or other QHP’s time
- **+ 96121** Neurobehavioral Status Exam each add’l hour physician or other QHP’s time

- **96118** Neuropsychological testing per hour psychologist’s or physician’s time

- **96119** Neuropsychological testing per hour technician time

- **96118** Neuropsychological testing per hour psychologist’s or physician’s time
- **+ 96121** Neurobehavioral Status Exam each add’l hour physician or other QHP’s time

- **96136** Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Physician or other QHP, first 30 minutes
- **+ 96137** Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Physician or other QHP, each add’l 30 minutes

- **96132** Neuropsychological Testing Evaluation, first hour
- **+ 96133** Neuropsychological Testing Evaluation, each add’l hour

- **96138** Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Technician, first 30 mins
- **+ 96139** Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Admin/Data Gathering by Technician, each add’l 30 mins
# Neuropsychological Testing Evaluation Services

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<td>Neuropsychological testing evaluation services by physician or other qualified health care professional, including integration of patient data, interpretation of standardized test results and clinical data, clinical decision making, treatment planning and report and interactive feedback to the patient, family member(s) or caregiver(s), when performed; first hour</td>
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