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PRACTICE RESOURCE TOOL KIT

CPT Coding Guidance



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Allergen Testing:

Code	Baseline Info	Requirements	Pearls
95004	Skin prick test	1 prick/antigen - Requires physician direct physician supervision	- If doing more than 1, must specify the number in the units field - Includes interpretation and evaluation of results - E/M billed separately if distinct service performed
95024	Intradermal test	Airborne allergens only 1 test/antigen - Requires physician direct supervision	- If doing more than 1, specify the number - Cannot be combined with 95027
95027	Intradermal dilutional testing	Airborne allergens only Multiple dilutions/antigen - Requires physician direct supervision	- When doing more than 1, specify number - Cannot be combined with 95024
95028	Intradermal dilutional – delayed reaction	Delayed reaction - Requires physician direct supervision	- When doing more than 1, specify number
95044	Patch testing	Requires physician direct supervision	- When doing more than 1, specify number - Separate E/M level when returning for interpretation and removal of patches
95076	Ingestion Challenge Testing		- Covers the first 120 of ingestion challenge (not face-to-face time) - Stops when interventional therapy is applied
95079	Additional 60 min for Ingestion Challenge Testing		- Added to 95076 when you go above the original 120 min - Cannot be coded alone
86003	In vitro testing	Must be performed in physician's office If performed in lab, only bill for blood draw	- If doing more than 1, specify the number
95017	Venoms – any testing type		- If doing more than 1, specify number of tests - Can include prick, intradermal, and dilutional testing
95018	Drugs – any testing type		- If doing more than 1, specify number of tests - Can include prick, intradermal, and dilutional testing

Asthma Testing:

Code	Baseline Info	Requirements	Pearls
94010	PFT alone		
94060	PFT with pre and post bronchodilator		
94664	Demonstration	Demonstration or evaluation of patient using an inhaler	
95070	Methacholine test	Must use compounds that cause a bronchial challenge - Must have personal supervision of the physician during testing	
99070	Bronchodilator supply		

ANTIGEN TESTING MUST PRECEDE IMMUNOTHERAPY BY AT LEAST ONE DAY

Antigen Preparation:

*** Require the physician to have direct supervision – ie. Be in the office suite

*** Must follow USP 797 guidelines

1. Before beginning compounding activities, personnel perform a thorough hand-cleansing procedure by removing debris from under the fingernails, using a nail cleaner under warm water, followed by vigorous hand and arm washing to the elbows for at least 30 seconds, with soap and water
2. Compounding personnel don hair covers, facial hair covers, gowns and face masks
3. Compounding personnel perform antiseptic hand cleansing with an alcohol-based surgical hand scrub with persistent activity
4. Compounding personnel don powder-free gloves that are compatible with 70% isopropyl alcohol (IPA) before beginning compounding manipulations
5. Compounding personnel disinfect their gloves intermittently with 70% IPA when preparing multiple allergen extracts as CSP's
6. Ampul necks and vial stoppers on packages of manufactured sterile ingredients are disinfected by careful wiping with sterile 70% IPA swabs to ensure that the critical sites are wet for at least 10 seconds and allowed to dry before they are used to compound allergen extracts as CSP'
7. The aseptic compounding manipulations minimize direct contamination (e.g. from glove fingertips, blood, nasal and oral secretions, shed skin and cosmetics, other nonsterile materials) of critical sites (e.g. needles, opened ampuls, vial stoppers)
8. Single-dose allergen extracts as CSP's shall not be stored for subsequent additional use
9. The label of each multiple dose vial (MDV) of allergen extracts as CSP's lists the name of one specific patient and a BUD and storage temperature range that is assigned based on manufacturers' recommendations or peerreviewed publications.
10. Skin Test materials do not need to be for one patient –verbal communication from FDA

Code	Baseline Info	Requirements	Pearls
95144	Single dose vial preparation	Professional service for preparation of single dose vial to be administered as 1 shot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intention is for use while traveling so that correct SCIT dose can be administered elsewhere - Must specify the number of vials you are preparing; gone for 4 weeks – you prepare 4 vials
95165	Vial Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professional services for the preparation of single or multi-dose antigen vial - Physician must sign off on vial prep 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Specify number of units - Definition of units varies depending on the payor; ie Medicare units = ml and non-Medicare units = doses

Documentation recommendation for continuation of AIT (renewal of 95165)

1. Current medication use (prescriptions and OTC)
2. Response to AIT
3. Reactions?
4. Antigen content of vials
5. If AIT for >5 years, document justification for continuation

Antigen Administration:

Code	Baseline Info	Requirements	Pearls
95115	Single allergen shot	- Must be signed off on by a physician	
95117	Two or more allergen shots	- Must be signed off on by a physician	

Counseling and observation:

Code	Baseline Info	Requirements	Pearls
99211	Nurse visit for counseling along with observation of first SLIT dose (aqueous or tablet)	- Must include counseling and education and must document this	- Cannot just use for SLIT observation without counseling that is also documented