

CAN I GET PAID FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES DONE IN THE OFFICE?



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CPT® codes

In the medicine section of the CPT book, there is a section “Special Services, Procedures and Reports”

“Miscellaneous Services 99000—99082”

- Codes 99050—99060 describe services provided in a medical office when the office is usually closed, or on a holiday or weekend, or— for an emergency

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Emergency basis

99058 Service(s) provided on an emergency basis in the office, which disrupts other scheduled office services, in addition to basic service

99060 Service(s) provided on an emergency basis out of the office, which disrupts other scheduled office services, in addition to basic service

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CPT® codes, CMS indicators

Who makes up these
rules?



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CMS fee schedule indicators

Status code:

- A= active
- B= bundled
- C= carrier priced
- I= not valid for Medicare purposes
- M=measurement codes
- N=noncovered

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Status indicator: bundled

HCPCS	Description	Status code
99050	Medical services after hrs	B
99051	Med serv eve/wkend/holiday	B
99053	Med serv 10pm-8am 24 hr fac	B
99056	Med service out of office	B
99058	Office emergency care	B
99060	Out of office emerg med serv	B

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Emergency services

- CPT® codes that describe additional circumstances, and may be used in addition to the basic service
- CMS considers them bundled: Medicare won't pay you and you can't bill the patient
- Private payers have their own policies

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99050–99060

- Medicare doesn't pay, but some private payers may pay
- Be consistent in their use
- If denied as bundled, don't bill the patient
- If the insurance processes them as patient due, bill the patient

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