

Scenario #1:**99202:****Comparative review of 2021 vs. 1995-1997 guidelines**

	Scoring using 1995 Guidelines	Scoring using 2021 Guidelines
Chief Complaint: Suture removal		
HPI: This 19 year-old male was seen in the emergency department for a finger laceration 10 days ago. He is attending college nearby and cannot get home to his family physician. Requests suture removal and a note to resume football.	HPI: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location (finger) Duration (10 days ago) No review of systems. No past history. No family history. Social history: Attends college. History: Problem focused.	Document chief complaint and history as required to support medical necessity for the service. No components are scored.
Physical Exam: Vital signs taken. Temperature 98.6, BP 112/82, Weight 163. Patient is alert and cooperative. The bandage was removed from the right third finger and the area was cleansed thoroughly. Examination of the laceration showed a well healing 4 cm wound without swelling, erythema. Sutures removed and a new bandage was applied.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitutional Psych Integumentary 	No components are scored.
Exam	Expanded Problem Focused	N/A
Assessment: Finger laceration, healing without complication. Given a note to resume football and the patient was reminded to keep the area clean and protect the finger during football. Return prn.	Medical Decision-Making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-limited minor problem, 1 point No data reviewed Minimal risk Superficial dressings 	Medical Decision-Making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 self-limited or minor problem Note: 99201 has been deleted from CPT as of 1/1/2021
MDM Assessment	MDM Straightforward	MDM Straightforward
Time Component	20 minutes, statement required that more than half of the face-to-face visit was spent in counseling/ coordination of care. A summary of the discussion is required in detail.	N/A
Code level	99201	99202