



## 2017 CPT Code Changes

### Summary

A number of new Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes and guideline revisions are being implemented in 2017. NATA was an active participant in the analysis, pilot testing, and creation of the changes that are scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2017. These new codes will directly impact athletic trainers who currently are billing for services, health care administrators, and educators who are teaching billing and coding.

The American Medical Association (AMA) is expected to release the CPT® 2017 Professional Edition in the near future. We strongly encourage athletic trainers to review and consider how the new code changes may impact their practice.

### Overview of Changes to Athletic Training CPT Evaluation Codes in 2017

#### ➤ CPT Code 97005

- Athletic Training Evaluation Code (97005) is being split into three codes to better describe the severity of the patient's condition, comorbidities in the medical history, and the complexity of the clinical decision making of the athletic trainer.
- Each will relate to a new time element of face-to-face contact with the patient and/or family.
  1. Low Complexity
  2. Moderate Complexity
  3. High Complexity

#### ➤ CPT Code 97006

- Athletic Training Reevaluation Code (97006) will remain essentially the same in context and purpose.
- However, it will have a new number designation and a time element of face-to-face contact with the patient and/or family.

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