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## **FACT SHEET**

### **Stop Codes, ICD-10CM (V Codes), and CPT Codes for Disability Examinations**

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) uses stop codes to capture all disability examination workload. To ensure there is consistency in usage of stop codes for this workload, this DMA Fact Sheet includes Primary and Secondary stop code setups and ICD9CM/CPT codes in a list by examination type and in a table by specialty type to be used nationwide for all disability examinations including Compensation and Pension (C&P), Integrated Disability Evaluation System (IDES), Separation Health Assessment (SHA) disability examinations, and Disability Benefits Questionnaires (DBQs).

Consistent practices in capturing the disability examination workload will allow for more precise accounting for the overall disability workload, allow for data analysis, support staffing levels, and enhance cost accounting.

As of October 1, 2015, VA is required to use the International Classification of Diseases 10th Revision (ICD-10) for diagnosis coding. The ICD-9 will continue to be in use until September 30, 2015. This DMA Fact Sheet updates DMA Fact Sheet 15-002, Stop Codes, ICD9CM (V Codes), and CPT Codes for Disability Examinations, issued May 6, 2015, to include ICD-10 codes. Please continue to use DMA Fact Sheet 15-002 for information prior to October 1, 2015, and this new Fact Sheet when ICD-10 codes are required, after October 1, 2015. The information on Stop Codes and CPT Codes is unchanged in these two Fact Sheets.

## GUIDANCE

Note: Workload capture information is provided for the use of telehealth for IDES examination; however, technology may not be available for IDES examinations.

### 1. Face-to-face examinations (C&P/SHA)

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- CPT/Procedure code: 99456
- Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code: 450

### 2. Face-to-face examinations (IDES)

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.71
- CPT/Procedure code: 99456
- Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code: 448

### 3. ACE evaluations (C&P) without a telephone call to the Veteran

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V” code): Z02.89
- CPT/Procedure code: 99241
- Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code: 697

### 4. ACE evaluations (C&P) with a telephone call to the Veteran (TOV)

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- Completing DBQs including a telephone call to the Veteran CPT/Procedure code:

	<u>Physicians/ NPs/PAs</u>	<u>Non-physicians: Social workers, etc</u>
5-10 minute call:	99441	98966
11-20 minute call:	99442	98967
21-30 minute call:	99443	98968
- Primary Telephone Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code: 450

### 5. ACE evaluations (IDES/SHA)

- NA

### 6. TeleHealth examinations (C&P)

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- CPT/Procedure code: 99456
- Primary Stop code for TeleHealth represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code: 444/Patient, 445/Provider

## **7. TeleHealth examinations (IDES)**

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.71
- CPT/Procedure code: 99456
- Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination
- Secondary Stop code TeleHealth: 446/Patient, 447/Provider

## **8. SHA threshold air conduction audiograms (IDES)**

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.71
- CPT/Procedure code: 92552 Pure tone audiometry (threshold); air conduction only
- Primary Stop code for IDES examination: 203
- Secondary Stop code for IDES examination: 448

## **9. SHA threshold air conduction audiograms (all other predischarge)**

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- CPT/Procedure code: 92552 Pure tone audiometry (threshold); air conduction only
- Primary Stop code: 203
- Secondary Stop code: 450

## **10. Audio clinics (ACE evaluation chart review)**

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- CPT/Procedure code: 92626
- Primary Stop code: 203
- Secondary Stop code: 697

## **11. DBQ Referral Clinic**

- ICD-10CM/Diagnosis (or “V code”): Z02.89
- Face to face CPT/Procedure code: 99450
- Chart Review Process (with or without telephone call to Veteran) CPT/Procedure code: 99450
- Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination for in-person and TOV.
- Primary Stop code: 674 for chart review and paperwork only (no examination)
- Secondary Stop code: 443

## 12. Table for Codes by Specialty Type.

Note: SHA examinations are to be coded as “Reg C&P”; however, the ACE process is not to be used for SHA examinations.

		TOV=Telephone only visit	Primary stop code	Secondary stop code	Purpose of the Visit and Appointment	ICD-10 Diagnosis code	Procedure code #
Audiology++	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	203	450	01	Z02.89	99456
		ACE TOV	216	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	203	697	01	Z02.89	92626
		TeleHealth Visit	203	444/445*	01	Z02.89	99456
	IDES	Face to Face visit	203	448	01	Z02.71	99456
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	***
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	203	446/447^^	01	Z02.71	99456
Mental Health	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	502/562^	450	01	Z02.89	99456
		ACE TOV	527^	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	502/562^	697	01	Z02.89	99241
		TeleHealth Visit	502/562^	444/445*	01	Z02.89	99456
	IDES	Face to Face visit	502/562^	448	01	Z02.71	99456
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	502/562^	446/447^^	01	Z02.71	99456
Medical	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	****	450	01	Z02.89	99456
		ACE TOV	****	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	****	697	01	Z02.89	99241
		TeleHealth Visit	****	444/445*	01	Z02.89	99456
	IDES	Face to Face visit	****	448	01	Z02.71	99456
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	****	446/447^^	01	Z02.71	99456
Optometry/Ophthalmology	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	408/407	450	01	Z02.89	99456
		ACE TOV	428/424	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	408/407	697	01	Z02.89	99241
		TeleHealth Visit	408/407	444/445*	01	Z02.89	99456
	IDES	Face to Face visit	408/407	448	01	Z02.71	99456
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	408/407	446/447^^	01	Z02.71	99456

Dental	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	180	450	01	Z02.89	99456
		ACE TOV	181	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	180	697	01	Z02.89	99241
		TeleHealth Visit	180	444/445*	01	Z02.89	99456
	IDES	Face to Face visit	180	448	01	Z02.71	99456
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	180	446/447^	01	Z02.71	99456
DBQ Referral Clinic (without 21-2507 request)	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	****	443	01	Z02.89	99450
		Chart review w/ TOV	****	443	01	Z02.89	99450
		Chart review only	674	443	01	Z02.89	99450
		TeleHealth Visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	IDES	Face to Face visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Med. Officer of Day (MOD)	Reg. C&P	Face to Face visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE TOV	324	450	01	Z02.89	***
		ACE chart review	301	697	01	Z02.89	99241
		TeleHealth Visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	IDES	Face to Face visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE TOV	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ACE chart review	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		TeleHealth Visit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

\* 444 for patient site C&P, 445 for provider site C&P

\*\*\* Physician/NP/PA    Non-physicians, non NP/PA  
99441                      98966                      5 - 10 min phone call  
99442                      98967                      11 - 20 min phone call  
99443                      98968                      21 - 30 min phone call

\*\*\*\* Primary Stop code represents the clinical service conducting the examination

^ Select primary stop codes for mental health based on the clinical specialty of the provider, examples include 502 = MH Clinical, 562 = PTSD

^^ 446 for patient site IDES, 447 for provider site IDES

++ for SHA threshold air conduction audiograms see sections 8 and 9 of this Fact Sheet.

**For additional information not covered in this Fact Sheet visit the DMA website at <http://vaww.demo.va.gov>, send an inquiry to the DMA Corporate Mailbox at [CorporateMailbox.DMA@va.gov](mailto:CorporateMailbox.DMA@va.gov), or contact DMA at (202) 461-6699 or (727) 540-3801**