

# 2020 SURVIVAL GUIDE

## CHIRO / ACUP / PT / MD - MEDICAL BILLING



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### ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

**Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) - Administered by banks and funded through the SBA.** This is the best option for business with payroll.

- Provides 2.5x prior year average monthly payroll at 5% fixed APR.
- No Payments for the first 6 months and a 2 year payoff term.
- ***Can be forgiven*** based on spending the funds on payroll, salaries, mortgage interest, rent and utilities.
- SBA has issued guidance as to administering the loan application process in the past few days. If you would like to apply for this loan, contact your banking representative as soon as possible as funds are limited.

**SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan Assistance (EIDL)** <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance> The SBA will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to \$2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.

**EDD** [WWW.EDD.CA.GOV](http://WWW.EDD.CA.GOV) The EDD provides a variety of support services to people who have lost their jobs or have had their hours reduced due to the impacts of COVID-19 in California.

**Los Angeles City Small Business Emergency Microloan Program** <https://ewddlacity.com/index.php/microloan-program> The newly established Small Business Emergency Microloan Program now provides financing needed to strengthen small business enterprises in this time of acute need that have been affected by the COVID-19 outbreak.

**Physicians Specialty Services** [www.PhysiciansSpecialtyServices.com](http://www.PhysiciansSpecialtyServices.com) PSS is offering billing assistance to those in need of remote billing services. We have the TELEMEDICINE coding you need. Call us, we are very flexible during these trying times and will work with what you have to work with. We have over 20 years experience billing chiropractic, acupuncture, physical therapy and medical.



## JUST THE BASICS

### TELEMEDICINE: STAY CONNECTED—GET PAID

#### 1. Standard codes

**99201-99215 ( Place of Service: 02 / Modifier: 95 )** Many plans prefer/require standard E&M codes for virtual visits. Anthem has given notice they will pay for telephone calls and other telehealth for the next 90 days referencing the standard E&M codes for use.

**2. Online Digital/Video Services (Place of Service: 02 / Modifier: 95)** Patient Initiated online digital Evaluation and Management services for an established patient. Time is cumulative over a seven day period. New patients may also be covered but that is subject to each carrier. The Federal government has temporarily allowed the use of non-secure platforms such as *Skype and Facetime* even though they are not HIPAA compliant.

99421	5-10 minutes	\$50.00 suggested
99422	11-20 minutes	\$80.00 suggested
99423	21 minutes or more	\$140.00 suggested

**3. Via Telephone (Place of Service: 02 / Modifier: 95)** E&M service provided by physician to established patient, parent or guardian not related to previous service provided within the previous 7 days or to E&M services within the next 24 hours.

99441	5-10 minutes	\$50.00 suggested
99442	11-20 minutes	\$80.00 suggested
99443	21 minutes or more	\$140.00 suggested

### PT BENEFIT

Chiropractors/Acupuncturists. Remember to check PT benefits when verifying coverage. Many policies have a PT benefit when there is no chiropractic benefit. Ask the representative what the PT benefit is and “Is it accessible by a Chiropractor/Acupuncturist?”. Many times they respond yes if they are practicing within the scope of their license, which they are. Additionally you can access the PT benefit after the chiro/acup benefit is exhausted.



## BLUE SHIELD

Chiropractor: Use level 2 or lower E&M codes for new and established patients.

Example: Use 99202, not 99203..... Use 99212, not 99213

## MEDICARE

Dx1 Must be subluxation (M99.01 M99.02 M99.03 )

Dx2 Must support Dx1 (Ex. M99.01 cervical / M54.2 cervicalgia)

(M99.02 thoracic / M54.6 pain in thoracic spine)

(M99.03 lumbar / M54.5 low back pain)

Use modifier AT for subluxation code

Use modifier GP for physical therapy codes / (Chiros must use GY also)

97014 - use G0283

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Use modifier GP for physical therapy codes

## CLEARINGHOUSE

OfficeAlly.com offers affordable clearinghouse services.

**TELEMEDICINE APP** [www.TitanHST.com](http://www.TitanHST.com) tMed is a HIPPA compliant application providing full feature access to video conferencing with easy setup for both you and your patient. Check patients into the virtual waiting room until you are ready to see then in the virtual exam room.

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