

AGPT Audioconference: The New Evaluation Codes for 2017

December 8, 2016 1pm-2:30pm Eastern Time

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DESCRIPTION:

On January 1, 2017 all physical therapists will encounter three new evaluation codes and a new reevaluation code. Are you ready? Join us for an informative audioconference where the definitions of the new codes will be explained. The session will explain the elements that go into choosing the appropriate evaluation code, and provide recommendations for working through the decision process. Case examples specific to the conditions and impairments encountered by therapists who work with older adults will provide an opportunity to apply the new information.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Define the components included in the new evaluation codes
2. Differentiate between the levels of complexity described by the new evaluation codes
3. Understand the importance of documenting each of the components to support billing and payment

DATE:

- Dec 8, 2017 -10am-11:30am Pacific Time/11am-12:30p Mountain Time/12pm–1:30pm Central Time/1pm-2:30pm Eastern Time

****This webinar will be recorded and available to members at a future date.**

Presenters:

Greg Hartley, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA received a master's and doctoral degree in physical therapy from the University of Miami. He was Board certified in geriatrics in 1999 and recertified in 2009. He is currently Assistant Professor of Clinical Physical Therapy at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Department of Physical Therapy. He was formerly Director of Rehabilitation for a large post-acute care provider specializing in geriatric rehabilitation. He is also the founding Program Director of the first APTA accredited geriatric residency in the U.S. Greg has served as Director and Secretary on the Board of Directors of the Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, is currently the Chair of the Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy Practice Committee, and has been a member of the American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education and its Accreditation Committee. Clinically, he has practiced in home healthcare, outpatient, SNF, long-term care, acute care, and rehabilitation hospital settings. Greg has lectured/written on topics including geriatrics, exercise prescription for aging adults, functional assessment, fall prevention, interdisciplinary models of care, residency/fellowship program development and accreditation, health policy/administration, and rehabilitation outcomes in post-acute care.

Ellen Strunk, PT, MS, GCS, CEEAA, CHC has worked in various roles and settings as both clinician and manager/director: hospital; transitional care; Director of rehab for a hospital home health agency; Clinical Consultant, Director of a HH staffing division, and Director of Governmental Affairs for a company providing rehab services in long term care, home health and outpatient settings. Presently, Ellen is owner of Rehab Resources and Consulting, Inc., a company providing continuing education and consulting services for post-acute care settings. For the past seven years, she has specialized in helping clients understand and navigate the CMS regulations for post-acute care settings, as well as how to prepare for the transition to a value-based system. Ellen is passionate about delivering medically necessary therapy services in these settings, and lectures nationally on the topics of pharmacology for rehabilitation professionals, exercise and wellness for older adults, the importance of functional outcomes, and coding/billing/documentation for therapy services.

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Ellen is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association, where she has served on a Payment Policy Strategy Committee advising the APTA Board of Directors on payment policy in all settings. She is a member of the Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, the APTA Home Health Section and the APTA Health Policy and Administration Sections. She serves on a state level as the Practice and Reimbursement Chair for the Alabama Physical Therapy Association. She is a member of the American Health Care Association (AHCA) and the National Association for the Support of Long Term Care (NASL), where she served as co-chair of a therapy workgroup whose goal it was to develop a national quality measure for rehabilitation. The work was successful in achieving endorsement by the National Quality Forum of a functional change measure for rehabilitation in skilled nursing facilities.