

# Medical Decision Making Table

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Straightforward MDM		Low MDM	Moderate MDM	High MDM
Complexity	<b>Straightforward Complexity</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – 1 self-limited or minor problem	<b>Low Complexity</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – 2 or more self-limited or minor problems – 1 stable chronic illness – 1 acute, uncomplicated illness or injury	<b>Moderate Complexity</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – 2 or more stable chronic illnesses – 1 or more chronic illness with exacerbation, progression of side effect – 1 undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis – 1 acute illness with systemic symptoms – 1 acute complicated injury	<b>High Complexity</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – 1 or more chronic illness with severe exacerbation, progression of side effect – 1 acute or chronic illness or injury posing a threat to life or bodily function
	<b>Minimal or No Data to Review</b> – No Data – Minimal Data (not meeting Low)	<b>Limited Data to Review</b> <b>Meet 1 of 2 Categories</b> <b>Category 1:</b> Tests and Documents <u>Any Combination of 2</u> from the following: – Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source – Review of the result(s) of each unique test – Ordering of each unique test <b>Category 2:</b> Assessment requiring an independent historian	<b>Moderate Data to Review</b> <b>Meet 1 of 3 Categories</b> <b>Category 1:</b> Tests and Documents <u>Any Combination of 3</u> from the following: – Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source – Review of the result(s) of each unique test – Ordering of each unique test – Assessment requiring an independent historian <b>Category 2:</b> Independent Interpretation of test (performed by another physician / not separately reported) <b>Category 3:</b> Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician and/or appropriate source	<b>Extensive Data to Review</b> <b>Meet 2 of 3 Categories</b> <b>Category 1:</b> Tests and Documents <u>Any Combination of 3</u> from the following: – Review of prior external note(s) from each unique source – Review of the result(s) of each unique test – Ordering of each unique test – Assessment requiring an independent historian <b>Category 2:</b> Independent Interpretation of test (performed by another physician / not separately reported) <b>Category 3:</b> Discussion of management or test interpretation with external physician and/or appropriate source
Data To Review	<b>Minimal Risk</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> Minimal Risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment	<b>Low Risk</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> Low Risk of morbidity from additional diagnostic testing or treatment	<b>Moderate Risk</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – Prescription drug management – Decision regarding minor surgery with identified patient or procedure risk factors – Decision regarding elective major surgery w/o identified patient or procedure risk factors – Diagnosis or treatment significantly limited by social determinants of health	<b>High Risk</b> <b>Meet any one of the Following</b> – Drug therapy requiring intensive monitoring for toxicity – Decision regarding elective major surgery with identified patient or procedure risk – Decision regarding emergency major surgery – Decision not to resuscitate or to de-escalate care because of poor prognosis – Parenteral controlled substances – Decision regarding hospitalization or escalation of hospital level of care
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