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If you bill for consultations, this explains how this should be done beginning in 2010.

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MM6740 - Revisions to Consultation Services Payment Policy

This article pertains to Change Request (CR) 6740, which alerts physicians and non-physician practitioners that effective January 1, 2010, the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) consultation codes (ranges 99241-99245 and 99251-99255) are no longer recognized for Medicare Part B payment. Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2010, physicians and non-physician practitioners should code a patient evaluation and management visit with E/M codes that represents where the visit occurs and that identify the complexity of the visit performed. For more information, please view the article located at:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM6740.pdf> on the CMS website.