

# TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL INTEGRATION AND BILLING FOR CGM IN YOUR PRACTICE

If just getting started with using CGM in your practice or clinic, consider the following tips developed by the International Diabetes Center to be prepared.

## Who should I recommend CGM for and who is on my CGM care team?

*Consider patients who:*

- Have type 1 diabetes or type 2 diabetes that are on insulin
- Are at risk for or have documented hypoglycemia (e.g. taking sulfonylurea)
- A1C not reflective of blood glucose monitoring data or A1C not accurate (e.g. hemoglobinopathies)
- Are interested in CGM or or those with limited glucose data to review (Note: Personal CGM may not be covered if individual does not have one of the above criteria.)

*Consider the following team members (if available):*

- **Physician or Advanced Practice Clinician**
- **Diabetes Care and Education Specialist**
- **Nurse**
- **Pharmacist**
- **Administrative and/or management team**

## When/How will the individual receive education on CGM?

- **Send referral to diabetes education, nurse, or pharmacist** depending on your team
  - If no team member available, consider using industry training programs (e.g. Dexcom CARES or My FreeStyle Program)
- **For individuals preferring to self-start their CGM device:**
  - Provide online resources
  - Provide manufacturer contact information if individual has questions or difficulty self-starting



**TIP:** CGM works best when education is provided

## What do I need to order?

- **Sensors**—with refills
- **Transmitter**—if applicable (e.g. Dexcom G6)
- **Reader or receiver device if:**
  - Individual has Medicare for initial CGM prescription
  - Individual is not interested in using phone app
  - Individual's phone is not compatible with CGM app

## Where should the CGM prescription be sent?

- **Local pharmacy if:**
  - Individuals have commercial insurance or Medicaid
  - Individuals have certain Medicare Advantage plans
- **Durable Medical Equipment (DME) supplier if:**
  - Individuals have Medicare
  - Individuals have certain Medicare Advantage plans

## When/How will the data be reviewed and services reimbursed?

- **Determine data review process for your CGM care team**
  - Consider who will manage and have access to data sharing platforms. Determine who will send data sharing invitation.
  - For individuals using a receiver/reader, or who elect not to share data with the clinic cloud, determine who will download the data.
  - Determine how the data reports will be made available to providers for appointments and how the data will be included in documentation/EMR.
- **Ensure adequate billing for CGM** (see next page)

## Coding for Reimbursement for CGM

CPT Code	Details of CPT Code	Frequency of CPT Code
<b>95249*</b> <b>Personal CGM</b>	Patient provided CGM equipment, sensor placement, set-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, and printout.	Per lifetime per device for initial start-up and education, only if applicable**
<b>95250*</b> <b>Professional CGM</b>	Office provided CGM equipment, sensor placement, set-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, removal of sensor, and printout. Covers the cost of sensors and placement by staff if within their scope of practice.	Once per month**
<b>95251*</b> <b>CGM Interpretation</b>	CGM analysis, interpretation and report of a professional or personal CGM by clinician (MD/DO or NP/PA).	Monthly on an ongoing basis**
<b>99212-99215 Evaluation and Management (E/M) Established patient in non-facility or office setting</b>	Use -25 modifier for CGM codes if billing the same day as a problem visit code and if significant and separately identifiable service took place.	

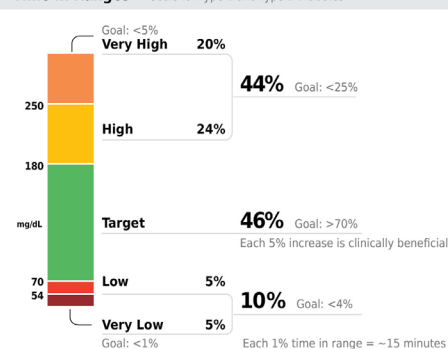
\*All codes require a minimum of 72 hours of data. *Of note, to have 72 hours of data, these are best used at a follow-up visit.*

\*\*Frequency may vary by individual payor. Check with individual payor for specifics.

**TIP:** Include a snip of the AGP Report in the chart note or medical record to help provide adequate documentation.

### AGP Report: Continuous Glucose Monitoring

#### Time in Ranges Goals for Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes



**Test Patient** DOB: Jan 1, 1970

**14 Days: August 8-August 21, 2021**

**Time CGM Active: 100%**

#### Glucose Metrics

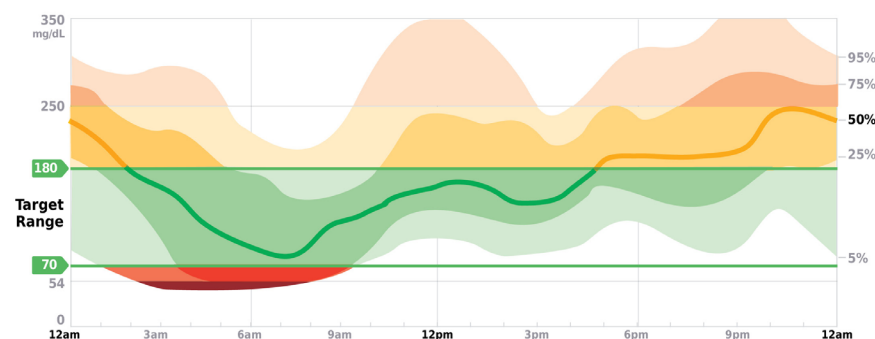
**Average Glucose** ..... **175 mg/dL**  
Goal: <154 mg/dL

**Glucose Management Indicator (GMI)** ..... **7.5%**  
Goal: <7%

**Glucose Variability** ..... **45.5%**  
Defined as percent coefficient of variation  
Goal: ≤36%

#### Ambulatory Glucose Profile (AGP)

AGP is a summary of glucose values from the report period, with median (50%) and other percentiles shown as if they occurred in a single day.



#### Daily Glucose Profiles

Each daily profile represents a midnight-to-midnight period.