

## Start 2017 Off Right With CPT® Assistant Tips on New Mechanochemical Ablation and Health-Risk Assessment Codes

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Step away from the unlisted procedure codes! The November 2016 issue of CPT® Assistant fills you in on two sets of new CPT® codes, one for mechanochemical ablation (MOCA) therapy of incompetent lower extremity vein(s) and the other for hypoglossal nerve stimulation services, both of which you reported using unlisted procedure codes prior to 2017.

This issue also helps you understand why CPT® 2017 replaced Health-Risk Assessment code 99420 with two new codes in the Medicine section. Plus you can't-miss tip on reporting 40650 (Repair lip, full thickness; vermilion only) in the emergency department (ED).

Make the most of SuperCoder.com's Code Connect code and keyword search to keep your skills sharp on these topics and more:

- Health-Risk Assessments: 96160, 96161, 99408, 99409, 99420
- Hypoglossal Nerve Stimulation System: 64568-64570, 64999, 0466T-0468T
- Incompetent Veins, Therapy: 29581, 29582, 36000, 36002, 36005, 36410, 36425, 36468-36479, 37241-37244, 37700, 37718, 37722, 37735, 37760-37766, 37780, 37785, 37799, 75894, 76000, 76001, 76937, 76942, 76998, 77022, 93970, 93971
- Lip Repair, Emergency Department: 40650, 40652, 40654, 12011.

For answers to how to handle specific scenarios, turn to the FAQ section. Real-world solutions are available by searching for these codes and keywords on Code Connect:

- Musculoskeletal System: 20680, 27236, 27328, 27599, 29888
- Ophthalmology, Complete Examination: 92004, 92014
- Phototherapy, Dermatological: 96900
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation: 97039, 97140, 97799.