

New York State (NYS) Smoking Cessation Counseling Information and Billing Codes

Insurance	ICD-9 Diagnostic Code	Maximum Number of Billable Quit Attempts and Counseling Sessions	Intermediate Counseling (3-10 Minutes)	Intensive Counseling (11+ Minutes)	Type of Counseling	Approved Health Care Providers	Clinical Setting
			CPT, CDT or G Code	CPT, CDT or G Code			
NYS Medicaid (Fee For Service and Managed Care)	305.1 (Tobacco Use Disorder)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two quit attempts per year Four face-to-face counseling sessions per quit attempt Dental professionals can only provide two counseling sessions per year [†]	99406 D1320 Individual session only	99407 Individual or group session (use HQ modifier to indicate group session) D1320 Individual session only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face Individual (intermediate or intensive counseling) Group (intensive counseling only) Dental professionals can only provide individual counseling [†]	Article 28, D&TC, FQHC (that bill APGs): MD, DO, PA, NP, LMW, DMD, DDS, Dental Hygienists OASAS: Same providers as above, + RN or other clinical staff with appropriate training [‡] Article 31(OMH): See note*	Outpatient
Medicare / Medicare Advantage	305.1 or V15.82 (History of Tobacco Use)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two quit attempts per year Four face-to-face counseling sessions per quit attempt 	G0436 (asymptomatic) 99406[§] (symptomatic) Individual session only	G0437 (asymptomatic) 99407[§] (symptomatic) Individual session only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face Individual only (intermediate or intensive counseling) 	Physician or other Medicare-recognized practitioner	Outpatient, Emergency Department, Inpatient, Skilled Nursing Facility, Home Health Agency, Indian Health Service
TRICARE	305.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two quit attempts per year 18 face-to-face sessions per quit attempt (up to four can be individual sessions) 	99406 96152 96153 Individual session only	99407 Group session only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face Individual (intermediate or intensive counseling) Group (intensive counseling only) Phone counseling available [€] , but not billable	Physician or other TRICARE-recognized provider	Outpatient
Private	305.1	<i>Codes listed below may apply. Please check with individual plan for codes and additional details as benefits vary.</i>					
			99406	99407			

[†]= Dental professionals: see [May 2014 Medicaid Update](#) for required documentation.

[‡]= See page 7 of the NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) Ambulatory Patient Groups (APG) [Policy and Medicaid Billing Guidance Manual](#) for details.

*= If cessation counseling is part of a psychotherapy session (group or individual), time spent can be counted toward the psychotherapy session but cannot be billed as an additional smoking cessation session.

‡ If not part of a psychotherapy session, cessation counseling is billable using the same codes and approved providers as Article 28 clinics.

§= Medicare and Medicaid allow other Evaluation and Management services on the same day. Medicare requires the other service be reported with modifier 25 to indicate it is separately identifiable from the tobacco use service.

€= TRICARE beneficiaries can access TRICARE's smoking cessation resource line seven days a week for coaching services: 1-866-459-8766 (North - HealthNet Federal Services).

Sources:

Medicaid: NYS Department of Health (DOH) [April 2011 Medicaid Update](#) and [May 2014 Medicaid Update](#); NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) [Clinic FAQs](#); NYS OASAS [APG Policy and Medicaid Billing Guidance Manual](#)
Medicare: [MLN Matters Number MM7133](#). Medicare Learning Network. December 2012; **TRICARE:** [Smoking Cessation Counseling](#) benefit page

Note: hyperlinks can be accessed through the electronic version of this guide. Please visit nyc.gov and search for "tobacco clinicians."

