



**Practice Questions for the
Specialty Coding Professional – Gastroenterology
(SCP-GI) credential**

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow:

The gastroenterologist provided a consultation requested by a patient not previously seen by his practice regarding treatment of ulcerative colitis. The physician performed a detailed history, expanded problem focused exam and low complexity decision making with 30 of 40 minutes spent counseling/coordinates care. Answer the following questions:

1. Select the Evaluation & Management (E/M) code for the physician service:
 - a. 99242
 - b. 99203
 - c. 99243
 - d. 99272
2. Select the ICD-9-CM code for the stated diagnosis:
 - a. 556.9
 - b. 556.6
 - c. 556.8
 - d. 556.0

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow:

The patient had been seen in the ED and was sent to GI by the ED physician for evaluation of rectal bleeding. The GI physician performed a detailed history and an EPF examination and scheduled a colonoscopy. The condition required moderate complexity MDM. Answer the following questions:

3. Define MDM: _____
4. Provide the ICD-9-CM code for the presenting condition: _____
5. Select the appropriate E/M service for a new patient encounter in the office setting.
 - a. 99203
 - b. 99242
 - c. 99202
 - d. 99283

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow:

A Medicare patient presents to the outpatient surgery facility for review of both the upper and lower digestive system due to iron deficiency anemia. The patient is scheduled for a complete flexible colonoscopy and an EGD. During the course of the colonoscopy the GI encounters a large mass in the transverse colon and is unable to advance the scope any further and the colonoscopy is terminated. The EGD is completed without complications and a polyp is removed by snare technique from the fundus for pathologic evaluation.

6. Define EGD: _____

7. Provide the CPT code for the colonoscopy procedure performed: _____

8. If a modifier is required, then select the appropriate modifier:

- a. -52
- b. -74
- c. -59
- d. -53
- e. A modifier is not required.

9. Provide the CPT code for the EGD procedure performed: _____

10. Provide the ICD-9-CM code for the presenting condition: _____

End of Practice Questions

Answers to Practice Questions

1. (b) 99203
2. (a) 556.9
3. MDM: Medical Decision Making
4. ICD-9-CM: 569.3
5. (c) 99202
6. Esophagogastroduodenoscopy
7. 45378
8. (d) -53
9. 43251
10. 280.9