

MULTIPLE TEST EVALUATION BASE CODE HINTS FOR PSYCH AND NEUROPSYCH TESTING

## KNOWLEDGE BRIEF

## There should only be one "First Hour" of professional service per episode

Psychological and Neuropsychological Test Evaluation base codes (96130 and 96132) represent the first hour of professional service time for the entire evaluation process or episode of testing. Even if testing occurs over multiple dates of service, only 1 unit of 96130 or 96132 can be billed for the entire evaluation. There may not be multiple "first hours" of service time.

All additional professional service time should be billed using the add-on codes (96131 or 96133) even if those services take place on a different date. This is one of the reasons why all codes/units should be submitted on a single claim form after the testing feedback session has been completed.

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