

Time-Based Codes At a Glance

The timed services in the new family of hearing device services codes account for the activities of evaluation, assessment, management, and treatment of the patient relating primarily to air conduction hearing devices. Time-based coding allows audiologists to bill for these activities based on the total time spent on the patient on the date of encounter. Audiologists must meet the time thresholds defined for each code to justify the billing. The following table elaborates on the minimum time threshold for each code.

CPT Code	Service Descriptor	Time in Code (Minutes)	Minimum Time to Report (Minutes)
92628	Evaluation for hearing aid candidacy	30	16-37
+92629	Evaluation for hearing aid candidacy	15	Each additional 15 minutes starting at 38 minutes
92631	Hearing aid selection	30	16-37
+92632	Hearing aid selection	15	Each additional 15 minutes starting at 38 minutes
92634	Hearing aid fitting	60	31-67
+92635	Hearing aid fitting	15	Each additional 15 minutes starting at 68 minutes
92636	Hearing aid post-fitting follow- up services	30	16-37
+92637	Hearing aid post-fitting follow- up services	15	Each additional 15 minutes starting at 38 minutes
+92638	Behavioral verification	Not time-based	Not time-based
+92639	Probe-microphone verification	Not time-based	Not time-based
92641	Electroacoustic analysis verification	Not time-based	Not time-based
92642	Hearing assistive devices services	Not time-based	Not time-based