

## Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology Clinic Commonly Used Billing Codes:

Allergy evaluations and testing is usually covered by health insurance, but most high deductible plans require you to pay 100% of the chargeable rate until your deductible is met. Below we have included information and cost estimates for allergy services provided at Atrium Health Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology. It is important you contact your health insurance provider and confirm coverage limits prior to your visit if you would like more detailed information regarding your expected out-of-pocket expenses. We have included CPT (billing codes) to help you obtain accurate information from your health insurance company.

### Office visits

- **New patients:** Atrium will bill for an allergy office visit based upon the complexity of the visit. This visit billing does not include testing. CPT code: 99204, 99205, 99244, 99245. Only one of these are billed
- **Return patients:** Atrium will bill for an allergy office visit based upon the complexity of the visit. CPT code: 99213, 99214, 99215. Only one of these are billed.

### Skin Testing

Your allergist will determine if you require skin testing and the number of skin tests performed based upon your history and reason for visit.

- **Skin Prick testing for environmental allergens and food allergens** CPT code: 95004
  - Environmental allergens: Usually 20-40 tests performed
  - Food allergens: Ranges between one and 80 tests
- **Intradermal testing for environmental allergens** CPT code: 95024
  - This is add-on testing that is useful if initial skin prick tests are negative
  - Ranges anywhere from 2-11 tests
- **Venom and fire ant skin testing:** CPT code: 95017
  - Performed if history of serious reaction to fire ants and/or wasps, bees, hornets, yellow jackets. Total number of tests can range from 3 to 25.
- **Medication skin testing:** CPT code: 95018
  - For penicillin testing, using total of six tests. Number can vary for other medications.

### Breathing Tests (Spirometry)

Spirometry is a common office test used to assess how well your lungs work by measuring how much air you inhale, how much you exhale and how quickly you exhale. It is used to diagnose asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and other conditions that affect breathing. Spirometry may also be used periodically to monitor your lung condition and check whether a treatment for a chronic lung condition is helping you breathe better. Your allergist will determine if you require a breathing test based upon your history. (CPT code 94010)

### **Food and Drug Challenges:**

Your allergist will determine if this procedure is indicated. These procedures help to determine if you/your child is no longer allergic to a food or medication.

- First 120 minutes of challenge: CPT code 95076. If challenge is stopped prior to 61 minutes to a reaction, this code is not billed. In this case, a return visit code is billed.
- Each additional 60 minutes: CPT code 95079

I understand that I may incur additional charges depending on what tests or procedures are performed. It is also my responsibility to understand what my insurance plan covers and to pay any out-of-pocket cost.

Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_