

## **Advance Care Planning: Medicare Reimbursement for Providers**

## What is Advance Care Planning?

Advance Care Planning is a voluntary discussion between clinicians and patients (and families) about future healthcare preferences, especially if the patient loses decisional capacity. These conversations cover:

- Patient values and goals
- Advance directives (e.g., living wills, durable power of attorney)
- Treatment preferences (e.g., CPR, intubation)

ACP improves patient-centered care, enhances endof-life decision-making, and reduces unwanted interventions. It also helps clinicians align care with patient's wishes and is a **Medicare-covered service for annual wellness visits**.



MyDirectives for Clinicians is a free advance care planning platform available to all DC providers and is seamlessly integrated within the CRISP DC Health Information Exchange (HIE).

This platform equips medical professionals with the necessary tools to facilitate advance care planning discussions and to easily manage and access patient plans and documents on-demand.

CPT	Description	Time	DC Reimbursement
Code		Requirement	Rate
99497	Initial 30 minutes of face-to-face ACP, including explanation and discussion of advance directives	First 16 - 30 minutes	Facility: \$79.74 Non-facility: \$88.22
99498	Each additional 30 minutes	Each additional	Facility: \$75.55
	(used with 9947)	30 minutes	Non-facility: \$75.94

<sup>\*</sup>Add modifier 33 to indicate ACP as a preventive service when paired with the annual wellness visit (e.g. 99497-33)

## **Provider Tips:**



Include ACP during your annual wellness visit



Obtain and document patient consent



Document time spent and details of the visit



Use appropriate ICD-10 and CPT codes



**Document and access reporting** 

## **Additional Questions?**

For more information, please contact our outreach team via email at <a href="mailto:dcoutreach@crisphealth.org">dcoutreach@crisphealth.org</a>.

To learn more about Advance Care Planning, visit <a href="https://crispdc.org/acp/">https://crispdc.org/acp/</a>.

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