

The Short Version

Might this patient
deteriorate to life/limb
threat if you don't
intervene now?

G395! (+/- H112/3)

Other Critical Care – G395

- Max of 3 MDs may claim
- G395 – 1st 15 mins.....\$56.80
- G391 – After 1st 15 mins (per 15 min or major part thereof).....\$28.35

Interpretation (Schedule of Benefits J24)

1. Think G395 when urgently assessing patients & there is the **potential** of a condition leading to life/limb threat unless urgently treated ie. **not yet life/limb threatening but will be unless intervened now.**

2. Bill G391 for **each additional 15 mins** of patient care (consecutive or non-consecutive)

Documentation - total time spent with the patient (consecutive/non-consecutive)**Example 1:**

Case: Monday 0930 – 24 female
– allergic reaction (hives, lip edema, wheeze – normal vitals)

ED Care: Epinephrine, steroid, H1 and H2 blockers
Attending patient 0935-0945 (G395)
Recheck q 1h x 4 (5 mins each) and d/c at 1400 (G391x2)

Document: Times **devoted to patient care**

Blue Sheet Coding: - G395 - 1st ¼ hour other critical care
- G391 x 2 - next ¼ hour other critical care

Example 2:

Case: Sat 1705 - 65 male – angina, ST depression on ECG – called to bedside

ED Care: Pt. assessment, NTG (s/L + gtt), ECG review x 3 (20 mins)
Symptoms improve 1755 – re-assessment and referral

Document: Times **devoted to patient care** (35 mins)

Blue Sheet Coding: **Doc 1** - G395 - 1st ¼ hour other critical care
- G391 x 2 - next ¼ hour x 2 (you provided 35 mins total)
- H113 - weekend modifier for G code