

**Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Benefits to Change for the CSHCN Services Program**

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2009, benefit criteria for physical medicine and rehabilitation will change for the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Providers must submit requests for prior authorization for therapy services with modifier GP for physical therapy or GO for occupational therapy. To be considered for reimbursement, claims for physical therapy services must include modifier GP and claims for occupational therapy services must include modifier GO to identify the specific therapy type.

The following procedure codes may be reimbursed in 15-minute increments for a maximum of four units (one hour) per day, per therapy type, and a combined maximum of two hours of therapy per day:

Procedure Codes				
1-92526	1-97032	1-97033	1-97034	1-97035
1-97036	1-97039	1-97110	1-97112	1-97113
1-97116	1-97124	1-97139	1-97140	1-97530
1-97535	1-97537	1-97542	1-97750	1-97760
1-97761	1-97762	1-97799		

The following procedure codes are not payable in 15-minute increments and will be limited to a quantity of one per day:

Procedure Codes				
1-97012	1-97016	1-97018	1-97022	1-97024
1-97026	1-97028			

Procedure code 1-97755 will be limited to four 15-minute units per day.

Procedure codes 1-92526, 1-97535, and 1-97537 will be payable for the following provider types in the designated place of service.

Procedure Code	Place of Service	Provider Type
1-92526	Office, Home, Outpatient Hospital	Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist
1-97535	Office	Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist
1-97535	Home	Physical Therapist
1-97535	Outpatient Hospital	Physician, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist
1-97537	Outpatient Hospital	Physician, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist

Physical therapy and occupational therapy evaluations and re-evaluations are comprehensive procedure codes.

Physical therapy treatment procedure codes will be denied when billed by any physical therapy provider on the same date of service as a physical therapy evaluation (procedure code 1-97001) or re-evaluation (procedure code 1-97002).

Occupational therapy treatment procedure codes will be denied when billed by any occupational therapy provider on the same date of service as an occupational therapy evaluation (procedure code 1-97003) or re-evaluation (procedure code 1-97004).

For more information, call the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.