



**Multiple Therapy Procedure Reduction (MTPR) Reimbursement Policy**

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**IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT THIS REIMBURSEMENT POLICY**

*You are responsible for submission of accurate claims. This reimbursement policy is intended to ensure that you are reimbursed based on the code or codes that correctly describe the health care services provided. Optum reimbursement policies may use Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®\*), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) or other coding guidelines. References to CPT or other sources are for definitional purposes only and do not imply any right to reimbursement. Coding methodology, clinical rationale, industry-standard reimbursement logic, regulatory issues, business issues and other input is considered in developing reimbursement policy.*

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**Application**

This policy applies to all products, all network and non-network providers. This includes non-network authorized, and percent of charge contract providers. This policy does not apply to flat rate per diem/per visit paid providers.

*Fee schedule/provider contract/client contract may supersede*

**Policy**

**Reimbursement Guidelines**

Consistent with CMS, Optum ranks all reimbursable procedures from the Multiple Therapy Procedure Reducible Codes list (procedures with indicator 5 in the Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction [MPPR] field on the CMS National Physician Fee Schedule) that are provided on a single date of service. The primary procedure is reimbursed without reduction and the Practice Expense (PE) portions of all secondary and subsequent procedures from this list performed on the same date are reduced by 50%.

A 50% reduction of the practice expense for all secondary and subsequent procedures assigned an MPPR indicator of 5 will be applied.

These reductions apply to all providers who share the same TIN, regardless of specialty. These reductions do not apply to flat rate per diem/per visit contract providers.

Other reimbursement policies that address reimbursement for codes reported in combination with other codes on the same date of service may also apply.



**Procedure Ranking**

The CMS Non-Facility Practice Expense Relative Value Unit (PE RVU) assigned to each code on the Multiple Therapy Procedure Reducible Codes list is used to determine the primary procedure. The primary procedure is identified as the procedure having the highest PE RVU on a given date of service. The PE portion of the charge for the primary procedure will not be reduced.

For the remaining Multiple Therapy Procedure Reducible codes reported on the same date of service by any physician or other health care professional in the same group practice, an amount representing the PE for each code will be reduced by 50%. The PE amount is determined by calculating the ratio of CMS PE RVU to Total RVU assigned to each secondary and subsequent procedure on the same date of service. When procedures share the same PE RVU, the Total RVU is used to further rank those codes.

**Example**

The following table shows an example of how reimbursement is determined for services subject to this policy when services are furnished to a patient on a single date of service by providers reporting under the same Tax Identification Number.

Code	Allowable Amount Prior to Reduction	PE RVU	Total RVU	Portion of charge attributable to Practice Expense (PE RVU / Total RVU)	Ranking	Comments	Final Allowable Amount
Multiple Therapy Reducible Code A	\$31.60	.45	.79	56%	3		PE value = 56% of \$31.60 or \$17.70. \$17.70 is reduced by 50% or \$8.85. <b>Allowable Amount = \$31.60 - \$8.85 or \$22.75.</b>
Multiple Therapy Reducible Code B	\$40.40	.36	1.01	35%	4		PE value = 35% of \$40.40 or \$14.14. \$14.14 is reduced by 50% or \$7.07. <b>Allowable Amount = \$40.40 - \$7.07 or \$33.33.</b>
Multiple Therapy Reducible Code C	\$36.40	.45	.91	49%	2	Because Codes A and C have the same PE RVUs, the Total RVUs are used to further rank these two procedures.	PE value = 49% of \$36.40 or \$17.84. \$17.84 is reduced by 50% or \$8.92. <b>Allowable Amount = \$36.40 - \$8.92 or \$27.48.</b>
Multiple Therapy Reducible Code D	\$96.80	1.05	2.42	43%	1	Primary procedure (highest PE value) is not subject to reduction	\$96.80

**Attachment**

Multiple Therapy Reducible Codes				Multiple Therapy Reducible Codes			
Code	Ratio of PE to Total RVU	PE RVU	Total RVU	Code	Ratio of PE to Total RVU	PE RVU	Total RVU
92507	41%	0.94	2.28	92507	41%	0.94	2.28
92508	52%	0.37	0.71	92508	52%	0.37	0.71
92521	41%	1.66	3.96	92521	41%	1.66	3.96
92522	39%	1.32	3.31	92522	39%	1.32	3.31
92523	41%	2.85	6.79	92523	41%	2.85	6.79
92524	39%	1.28	3.27	92524	39%	1.28	3.27
92526	45%	1.15	2.53	92526	45%	1.15	2.53
92597	39%	0.84	2.14	92597	39%	0.84	2.14
92607	48%	1.80	3.69	92607	48%	1.80	3.69
92609	50%	1.54	3.08	92609	50%	1.54	3.08
96125	42%	1.29	3.05	96125	42%	1.29	3.05
97012	39%	0.17	0.43	97012	39%	0.17	0.43
97016	45%	0.16	0.35	97016	45%	0.16	0.35
97018	58%	0.10	0.17	97018	58%	0.10	0.17
97022	64%	0.33	0.51	97022	64%	0.33	0.51
97024	68%	0.15	0.22	97024	68%	0.15	0.22
97026	65%	0.13	0.20	97026	65%	0.13	0.20
97028	64%	0.16	0.25	97028	64%	0.16	0.25
97032	39%	0.17	0.43	97032	39%	0.17	0.43
97033	54%	0.32	0.59	97033	54%	0.32	0.59
97034	48%	0.21	0.43	97034	48%	0.21	0.43
97035	48%	0.21	0.43	97035	48%	0.21	0.43
97036	72%	0.75	1.04	97036	72%	0.75	1.04
97110	47%	0.42	0.88	97110	47%	0.42	0.88
97112	49%	0.50	1.01	97112	49%	0.50	1.01
97113	55%	0.61	1.10	97113	55%	0.61	1.10
97116	47%	0.42	0.88	97116	47%	0.42	0.88
97124	60%	0.54	0.90	97124	60%	0.54	0.90
97140	45%	0.37	0.81	97140	45%	0.37	0.81
97150	43%	0.23	0.53	97150	43%	0.23	0.53
97161	47%	1.42	3.00	97161	47%	1.42	3.00
97162	47%	1.42	3.00	97162	47%	1.42	3.00
97163	47%	1.42	3.00	97163	47%	1.42	3.00



97164	51%	1.08	2.08	97164	51%	1.08	2.08
97165	47%	1.42	3.00	97165	47%	1.42	3.00
97166	47%	1.42	3.00	97166	47%	1.42	3.00
97167	47%	1.42	3.00	97167	47%	1.42	3.00
97168	51%	1.07	2.07	97168	51%	1.07	2.07
97530	59%	0.66	1.11	97530	59%	0.66	1.11
97533	74%	1.41	1.90	97533	74%	1.41	1.90
97535	53%	0.52	0.98	97535	53%	0.52	0.98
97537	48%	0.46	0.95	97537	48%	0.46	0.95
97542	48%	0.46	0.95	97542	48%	0.46	0.95
97750	54%	0.55	1.01	97750	54%	0.55	1.01
97755	44%	0.51	1.15	97755	44%	0.51	1.15
97760	64%	0.94	1.45	97760	64%	0.94	1.45
97761	59%	0.74	1.25	97761	59%	0.74	1.25
97763	69%	1.10	1.59	97763	69%	1.10	1.59
G0281	47%	0.17	0.36	G0281	47%	0.17	0.36
G0283	47%	0.17	0.36	G0283	47%	0.17	0.36
G0329	78%	0.26	0.33	G0329	78%	0.26	0.33

### Background

There are some physical medicine and rehabilitation therapy procedures that are frequently reported together on the same date of service. Some of the elements that comprise these services, referred to as PE by the CMS, are duplicative. These duplicated elements include cleaning the room and equipment; education, instruction, counseling and coordinating home care; greeting the patient and providing the gown; obtaining measurements (e.g., range of motion); post-therapy patient assistance; the multispecialty visit pack.

This policy describes how Optum aligns with CMS and reduces reimbursement for the PE portions of certain therapy procedures that share these components when those services are the secondary or subsequent procedures provided on a single date of service by any physician or other health care professional in the same group.

Optum aligns with CMS in determining which procedures are subject to the multiple therapy procedure reduction and the primary or secondary ranking of these procedures based on PE RVU.

For the purposes of this policy, same group physician and/or other health care professional refers to all physicians and health care professionals who report under the same Federal Tax Identification number (TIN).

### Resources

- American Medical Association, *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®)* and associated publications and services
- Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System, HCPCS Release and Code Sets
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

### History / Updates

10/15/2013

New



<b>04/2014</b>	Annual review and update
<b>04/2015</b>	Annual review and update of RVU table
<b>04/2016</b>	Annual review and update – removed two codes from list (96125 and G0329)
<b>04/2017</b>	Annual review and update – add new PT/OT Evaluation and Reevaluation codes. Update code Values
<b>04/2018</b>	Annual Review and Update
<b>04/2019</b>	Annual Review and Update
<b>04/2020</b>	Annual Review and Update – replaced table of reducible codes with current list
<b>04/2021</b>	Annual Review and Update – replaced table of reducible codes with current 2021 list
<b>05/2022</b>	Annual review and update – updated reducible code list with 2022 list
<b>04/2023</b>	Annual review and update – updated table and reducible code list 2023

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