

Hospital-based Outpatient Wound Care Department (HOPD) coding, Medicare payment and coverage information



PICO[®]

Single Use
Negative Pressure
Wound Therapy System

Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®)¹ codes

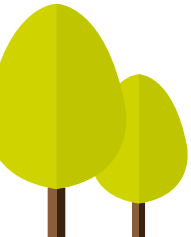
The American Medical Association established two (2) CPT codes for negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) using disposable medical equipment, including the PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System. Please note that these codes also include reimbursement for the equipment. Therefore, CPT codes 97607 and 97608 should only be reported when a new PICO NPWT pump with a 7-day battery is furnished to the patient. If the physician and/or other qualified healthcare professional (QHP) writes orders for wound assessment and application of a new fluid management system before the 7-day battery life of the PICO pump is exhausted, the HOPD should code and bill for the work that was performed during that visit (eg appropriate level of clinic visit, surgical debridement, selective debridement, etc.).

CPT code 97607

Negative pressure wound therapy (eg vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area less than or equal to 50 square centimeters

CPT code 97608

Negative pressure wound therapy (eg vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area greater than 50 square centimeters



Calendar Year (CY) 2017 Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (HOPPS)

For CY 2017, Medicare assigned CPT® codes 97607 and 97608 to Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Group 5052 Level II Skin Procedures with status indicator “T.” Therefore, the payment for 97607 and 97608 will be reduced by 50% when medically necessary and billed on the same date of service as another procedure with a “T” status indicator.

Medicare HOPPS Payment Rates* for PICO® Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, when covered by the MAC:

CPT Code¹	APC Group	Status Indicator	Total Medicare APC Allowable	Medicare Payment Rate**	Patient Coinsurance
97607	5052	T	\$292.62	\$234.09	\$58.53
97608	5052	T	\$292.62	\$234.09	\$58.53

* The national average 2017 Medicare rates for the hospital outpatient setting are calculated from the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS), November 2016. Any payment rates listed are Medicare national averages that may be subject to change without notice. Actual payment to a hospital will vary based on geographic location and may also differ based on policies and fee schedules outlined as terms in your health plan and/or payer contracts. Payment rates do not account for sequestration.
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/HospitalOutpatientPPS/Hospital-Outpatient-Regulations-and-Notices-Items/CMS-1656-FC.html>

NOTE: Ensure that reported charges reflect both the PICO Single Use NPWT System and, if appropriate, the work to assess the wound, apply it, and provide instructions for ongoing care. CPT codes 97607 and 97608 should include the disposable NPWT device.

NOTE: Payment rates from non-Medicare payers will depend on each hospital's contract with each payer.

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Coverage and questions

- + Before applying PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, all HOPDs should confirm or clarify coverage and coding from each patient's insurance plan, as each payer may have differing formal or informal policies or decisions. For assistance with insurance benefit verification or any questions, call **1-888-705-0061 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST.**

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