



Physicians and other qualified healthcare professionals 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 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, he/she should code and bill for the work that was performed during that visit (eg, appropriate evaluation and management level, 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 Physician Fee Schedule

Provided that the NPWT service is medically necessary, all physician and other qualified healthcare professional (QHP) claims submitted for the application of a PICO® Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System with CPT® codes 97607 and 97608 will be carrier priced in CY 2017, under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule, on an individual claim basis by each Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC). Please contact the MAC that processes your claims for its allowable payment amounts. In addition, physicians and other QHPs should take the opportunity to educate the medical director of their MAC why the payment for 97607 and 97608 needs to be adequate to pay for the disposable PICO Device, as well as for the work to assess the wound, to apply PICO, and to provide instructions for ongoing care.

When submitting claims for PICO, include the following information in field 19 of a paper claim or in the narrative field of an electronic claim:

- Product name
- Product size
- Product number
- Invoice price for each product

NOTE: Ensure that reported charges reflect both the PICO Single Use NPWT System and the work to assess the wound, apply it, and provide instructions for ongoing care. The charges associated with CPT codes 97607 and 97608 should include the disposable NPWT device. Thus the charges for CPT codes 97607 and 97608 likely will be different from the charges for CPT codes 97605 and 97606 that describe NPWT using traditional durable medical equipment and do not include the cost of the durable medical equipment itself.

Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Payment Rates for PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, when covered by the MAC

CPT Code ¹	Total Medicare allowable in office	Total Medicare allowable in facility
97607	Carrier priced	Carrier priced
97608	Carrier priced	Carrier priced

For Calendar Year 2017, CPT Codes 97607 and 97608 have a status indicator of "C" meaning that Carriers/MACs price these codes and establish RVUs and payment amounts for these services on an individual case-by-case basis following review of documentation. See 2017 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched/PFS-Federal-Regulation-Notices-Items/CMS-1654-F.html>

NOTE: Payment rates from non-Medicare payers will depend on each physician's or other QHP's contract with each payer.

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Global surgery payment

In the final CY 2017 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule rule, Addendum B, CMS has assigned 97607 and 97608 a global surgery indicator of "XXX" Global concept does not apply. Other CPT codes may be assigned a global surgery period of 0, 10 or 90 days, or "YYY" which is established by the contractor.

NOTE: Non-Medicare payers may or may not pay for the use of PICO during a global surgery period. Physicians or other QHPs should review the global surgery section of their contract with each payer.

Coverage and questions

- + Before applying PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, all physicians and other QHPs 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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