
Acupuncture Services Billing Example: CMS-1500

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The example in this section is to assist providers in billing for acupuncture services on the *CMS-1500* claim form. Refer to the *Acupuncture Services* section of this manual for detailed policy information. Refer to the *CMS-1500 Completion* section of this manual for instructions to complete claim fields not explained in the following example. For additional claim preparation information, refer to the *Forms: Legibility and Completion Standards* section of this manual.

Billing Tips: When completing claims, do not enter the decimal points in ICD-10-CM codes or dollar amounts. If requested information does not fit neatly in the *Additional Claim Information* field (Box 19) of the claim, type it on an 8½ x 11-inch sheet of paper and attach it to the claim.

Multiple Acupuncture Visits

Figure 1. Multiple acupuncture visits.

This is a sample only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

Since the patient's accident/injury is not employment related, an "X" is entered in the *No* box of the *Employment* field (Box 10A). The date that the accident/injury occurred is entered in the *Date of Current* field (Box 14).

As a requirement for billing acupuncture services, the diagnosis of the condition causing the pain, other treatments given and the results of other treatments must be submitted with each claim; therefore, a statement and "See attached documentation" are entered in the *Additional Claim Information* field (Box 19).

In this example, an ICD-10-CM code is entered in the *Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury* field (Box 21). Because this claim is submitted with a diagnosis code, an ICD indicator is required between the dotted lines in the *ICD Ind.* area of box 21. An indicator is required only when an ICD-10-CM/PCS code is entered on the claim.

An acupuncturist is billing for services provided on different dates of service (October 1 and October 10, 2015). CPT® codes 97810 and 97811 (one or more needles, without electrical stimulation) and 97813 and 97814 (one or more needles, with electrical stimulation) are entered in the *Procedures, Services or Supplies* field (Box 24D) in the lower portion of the field. Each code must be on a separate line in order for providers to be correctly reimbursed.

Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F) in the lower portion of the field.

HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM													
APPROVED BY NATIONAL UNIFORM CLAIM COMMITTEE (NUCC) 02/12													
PICA <input type="checkbox"/>										PICA <input type="checkbox"/>			
1. MEDICARE <input type="checkbox"/> (Medicare#)	MEDICAID <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Medicaid#)	TRICARE <input type="checkbox"/> (ID#/DoD#)	CHAMPVA <input type="checkbox"/> (Member ID#)	GROUP HEALTH PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> (ID#)	FECA BLK LUNG <input type="checkbox"/> (ID#)	OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> (ID#)	1a. INSURED'S I.D. NUMBER (For Program in Item 1)		90000000A95001				
2. PATIENT'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)				3. PATIENT'S BIRTH DATE		SEX		4. INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)					
DOE, JOHN				06 21 62		M <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>							
5. PATIENT'S ADDRESS (No., Street)				6. PATIENT RELATIONSHIP TO INSURED				7. INSURED'S ADDRESS (No., Street)					
1234 MAIN STREET				Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>									
CITY		STATE		8. RESERVED FOR NUCC USE				CITY		STATE			
ANYTOWN		CA											
ZIP CODE		TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)						ZIP CODE		TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)			
958235555		(916) 555-5555											
9. OTHER INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)				10. IS PATIENT'S CONDITION RELATED TO:				11. INSURED'S POLICY GROUP OR FECA NUMBER					
a. OTHER INSURED'S POLICY OR GROUP NUMBER				a. EMPLOYMENT? (Current or Previous)				a. INSURED'S DATE OF BIRTH					
				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO				MM DD YY M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>					
b. RESERVED FOR NUCC USE				b. AUTO ACCIDENT? PLACE (State)				b. OTHER CLAIM ID (Designated by NUCC)					
				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO									
c. RESERVED FOR NUCC USE				c. OTHER ACCIDENT?				c. INSURANCE PLAN NAME OR PROGRAM NAME					
				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO									
d. INSURANCE PLAN NAME OR PROGRAM NAME				10d. CLAIM CODES (Designated by NUCC)				d. IS THERE ANOTHER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN?					
								<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>If yes, complete items 9, 9a, and 9d.</i>					
12. PATIENT'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE I authorize the release of any medical or other information necessary to process this claim. I also request payment of government benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment below.													
SIGNED _____						DATE _____							
13. INSURED'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE I authorize payment of medical benefits to the undersigned physician or supplier for services described below.													
SIGNED _____													
14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP)				15. OTHER DATE				16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION					
MM DD YY QUAL.				MM DD YY				FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY					
10 01 15													
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE				17a. _____				18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES					
				17b. NPI _____				FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY					
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC)													
FIRST VISIT/SUBSEQUENT VISIT. SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENT FOR A LIST OF PREVIOUS TREATMENTS/RESULTS.													
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Relate A-L to service line below (24E) ICD Ind. 0													
A. <u>D1D1D1D</u> B. _____ C. _____ D. _____													
E. _____ F. _____ G. _____ H. _____													
I. _____ J. _____ K. _____ L. _____													
22. RESUBMISSION CODE _____ ORIGINAL REF. NO. _____													
23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER _____													
20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES													
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO													
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE From MM DD YY To MM DD YY B. PLACE OF SERVICE C. EMG D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER F. \$ CHARGES G. DAYS OR UNITS H. EPSDT Family Plan I. ID. QUAL. J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #													
1 10 01 15 11 97810 5000 1 NPI													
2 10 01 15 11 97811 5000 1 NPI													
3 10 10 15 11 97813 4000 1 NPI													
4 10 10 15 11 97814 4000 1 NPI													
5 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____													
6 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____													
25. FEDERAL TAX I.D. NUMBER		SSN EIN		26. PATIENT'S ACCOUNT NO.		27. ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT? (For gov. claims, see back)		28. TOTAL CHARGE		29. AMOUNT PAID		30. Rsvd for NUCC Use	
		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		\$ 18000		\$			
31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREES OR CREDENTIALS (I certify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)				32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION				33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PH # (916) 555-5555					
SIGNED <i>Jane Doe</i> DATE 10/11/15				a. NPI				b. a. 0123456789 b.					

Figure 1: Multiple Acupuncture Visits.

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