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CPT Codes for PET Authorizations

Current as of July 2010

PET orders for PET scan

Standard Scan (skull base through mid thigh)	78812 for PET only (diagnostic CT's require separate auth - codes are listed below)
	78815 for PET with CT for attenuation only (separate auth not needed for this CT)
Whole Body Scan (head through toes - Melanoma patients only)	78813 for PET only (diagnostic CT's require separate auth - codes are listed below)
	78816 for PET with CT for attenuation only (separate auth not needed for this CT)
PET Limited Scan only (one area - neck, chest, abdomen or pelvis)	78811 for PET only (diagnostic CT's require separate auth - codes are listed below)
	78814 for PET with CT for attenuation only (separate auth not needed for this CT)

CT Orders To Correlate With PET

	With contrast	Without contrast	With & without contrast
Diagnostic (neck)	70491	70490	70492
Diagnostic CT (chest)	71260	71250	71270
Diagnostic CT (abdomen)	74160	74150	74170
Diagnostic CT (pelvis)	72193	72192	72194

CT for PET Attenuation Correction Only (no CT report given) does not require a separate authorization.

Call (814) 836-2645 with coding questions.