

Date:

Insurance Company
1122 Boogy Boogy Avenue
Space 1999

RE: Utilization Code 97750

Patient:

DOS:

To whom it may concern:

This letter is being written in response to your most recent "Explanation of Benefits" concerning the aforementioned patient and the services performed on the aforementioned date, specifically the utilization code 97750. This commonly utilized code is stated as a necessary and viable code by all governing boards, to be utilized by all doctors for substantiation and documentation purposes of said patients physical performance or functional ability. As a chiropractor specializing in rehabilitation and the functional restoration of my patients I regularly utilize this code as a guideline for both, physical ability and substantiation for graduation into the approved three stages of the rehabilitation process.

By definition the utilization code 97750 specifically referenced in the 2000 issue Blue Shield Procedure Terminology Manual, page 339 states:

"Physical performance test or measurement (e.g., musculoskeletal, functional capacity), with written report, each 15 minutes."

In accordance with my current license to practice chiropractic in this state, its guidelines and practice parameters, this specific procedure is allowed and by way of my special certifications in rehabilitation, it is encouraged and protocol. Guidelines of the American Chiropractic Rehabilitation Board specifically state that prior to each of the three stages of the rehabilitation process a Physical Performance, Physical Abilities, or Functional Capacity Evaluation be performed. In its guidelines, it is recommended that the utilization code 97750 be utilized for each 15-minute increment, (the usual evaluation requiring two units of this code).

I would hope that you could see your way clear to justify this and any other service from my office utilizing this code, or any other "Active" code, specifically in accordance with the rehabilitation guidelines. I congratulate you in advance on your insight and thank you for your time in this matter.

Respectfully yours,