
TAR and Non-Benefit: Introduction to List

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The *TAR and Non-Benefit List: Codes (10000 thru 99999)* contains CPT® codes and descriptions indicating benefit restrictions. Any code in the CPT book currently valid for Medi-Cal but not on the TAR and Non-Benefit List is a Medi-Cal benefit without the listed restrictions. If you are uncertain about the authorization requirements, or suspect that this list contains an error, contact the Telephone Service Center (TSC) at 1-800-541-5555.

Note: Refer to the CPT book for complete descriptions of the listed codes.

«The previous number system for Non-Benefit (1), Requires TAR, Primary Surgeon/Provider (2) and Non-Benefit, Assistant Surgeon (3) are no longer in use.»

«Non-Benefit»

Medi-Cal may provide reimbursement for a non-benefit with an approved *Treatment Authorization Request* (TAR) if medical necessity is established. For instructions on submitting an electronic TAR (eTAR) for a non-benefit, refer to the “eTAR Submission Guidelines” in the *TAR Overview* section of the Part 1 manual.

«Requires TAR, Primary Surgeon/Provider»

«Requires TAR, Primary Surgeon/Provider require a TAR for the primary surgeon or provider whether performed on an inpatient or outpatient basis.» Podiatrists should refer to the *Podiatry Services* section in the appropriate Part 2 manual for authorization requirements. Anesthesiologists and assistant surgeons do not need a TAR for services with benefit restrictions Requires TAR, Primary Surgeon/Provider.

«Non-Benefit, Assistant Surgeon»

«Medi-Cal will not reimburse assistant surgeon services for non-benefit assistant surgeon. Do not bill the assistant surgeon modifier for non-benefit assistant surgeon.»

Inpatient Hospitalization Stay: Authorization Reminder

Authorization for an inpatient hospital stay may be required, even if the procedure being performed does not require a TAR. Refer to the *Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRG): Inpatient Services* section in the *Inpatient Services* provider manual.

Authorization may be requested by either the physician performing the procedure or the hospital providing the inpatient stay.

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