Radiology Billing Examples: CMS-1500

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The examples in this section are to help providers bill radiology procedures on the *CMS-1500* claim form. Refer to the *Radiology: Diagnostic* 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.

Examples in this section do not necessarily represent current Medi-Cal policy.

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.

Chest X-ray

Figure 1. Chest X-ray.

This is an example only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

In this example, CPT® code 71020 (radiologic examination, chest; two views, frontal and lateral) is billed without a modifier (indicating both professional and technical components were provided) in the *Procedures, Services or Supplies* field (Box 24D).

In the *Date(s)* of *Service* field (Box 24A), enter the date of the office visit in the six-digit format. Enter Place of Service code 11 (office) in Box 24B.

Enter the referring provider name in the *Name of Referring Provider or Other Source* field (Box 17) and the referring provider's NPI in Box 17B. Enter the rendering provider's information in *Service Facility Location Information* field (Box 32) and the NPI in Box 32A.

Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F). Enter a 1 in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) for code 71020.

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Figure 1: Chest X-ray.

Bilateral Radiography Billed with Unilateral Codes

Figure 2. Bilateral radiography billed with unilateral code.

This is an example only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

In this case a physician orders a bilateral eye socket X-ray. This claim example illustrates the billing of a bilateral radiographic procedure with a unilateral code.

In the *Additional Claim Information* field (Box 19), enter a statement declaring a bilateral procedure was done but was billed with a unilateral code.

In this example, CPT code 70190 (radiologic examination; optic foramina) is billed with modifier TC (technical component) in the *Procedures*, *Services or Supplies* field (Box 24D).

In the *Date(s)* of *Service* field (Box 24A), enter the date of the office visit in the six-digit format. Enter Place of Service code 11 (office) in Box 24B.

Enter the referring provider name in the *Name of Referring Provider or Other Source* field (Box 17) and the referring provider's NPI in Box 17B. Enter the rendering provider's information in *Service Facility Location Information* field (Box 32) and the NPI in Box 32A.

Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F). Enter a 2 in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) for code 70190. This number indicates the procedure is bilateral. Enter in the *Additional Claim Information* field (Box 19) that the procedure was performed bilaterally.

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Figure 2: Bilateral Radiography Billed with Unilateral Code.

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