

73459 Physical Therapy Service Unit

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Physical therapy services are those services ordered by a physician or upon a physician's referral and provided to a patient by or under the supervision of a physical therapist to achieve and maintain the highest level of functional ability.

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signed medical orders. (3) Notes indicating physical therapy services performed

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