

## Ultrasound Out-of-Network Disclosure

Dear Patient,

Your physician has ordered procedure or diagnostic exam for you that may require the use of ultrasound. Our specialty Physical Medical & Rehabilitation is not currently recognized as a specialty that requires the use of ultrasound by most commercial insurances, and they consider it an out-of-network charge regardless of if an authorization is required.

Not all insurances consider ultrasound as out-of-network for our specialty, but we are actively working with those that do to rectify this issue. We are currently undergoing a lengthy rec credentialing process to appeal this decision by insurance companies in order to provide our patients the best care possible.

We ask that all patients who receive ultrasound at our office call their insurance to verify if the ultrasound treatment will be out-of-network, so that they can anticipate the charges and their financial responsibility according to their insurance company.

### Codes for Ultrasound Use

| USE OF ULTRASOUND              | CPT CODE |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Diagnostic Examinations        | 76882    |
| Image Guidance for a Procedure | 76942    |

We apologize for the inconvenience; we expect to have this rectified within 6 months to 1 year. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

Thank you,

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