

IHCP *bulletin*

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IHCP announces updates and corrections to physical and occupational therapy codes

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is updating the occupational and physical therapy codes that require use of modifier GO or GP on prior authorization (PA) requests and claims.

Procedure code 97150 to require GO or GP modifier

Effective Dec. 1, 2026, retroactive to dates of service (DOS) on or after

Jan. 1, 2025, the IHCP will require modifier GP or GO to be included on fee-for-service (FFS) PA requests and claim submissions for Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®¹) code 97150 – *Therapy procedure in a group setting*, as follows:



- Modifier **GP** – *Services delivered under an outpatient physical therapy plan of care* should be used when the service is delivered by a **physical therapist (PT)**.
- Modifier **GO** – *Services delivered under an outpatient occupational therapy plan of care* should be used when the service is delivered by an **occupational therapist (OT)**.

Inclusion of the appropriate modifier (GP or GO) will allow PA requests and claims to process appropriately when CPT code 97150 is submitted for both PT and OT services with overlapping dates of service.

The IHCP will compare the way CPT code 97150 is billed (with or without modifier GP or GO) to the way it was authorized. If the modifier usage on the claim does not match the usage on the PA, the service detail will deny with explanation of benefits (EOB) code 3001 – *Dates of service not on the P.A. master file*. This guidance applies to both professional and institutional-outpatient claims.

This procedure code will be added to the *Physical and Occupational Therapy Procedure Codes That Require a Modifier Match (GO or GP) on Authorization Request and Claim* table in *Therapy Services Codes*, accessible from the [Code Sets](https://in.gov/medicaid/providers) webpage at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

Providers that submitted PA requests between **Jan. 1, 2025**, and **Dec. 1, 2026**, and experienced billing issues related to the overlapping code issue for PT and OT, should submit a prior authorization revision request **for code 97150 only**, using the appropriate modifier to Acentra Health.

After the PA is successfully approved and entered, providers may resubmit their claims to Gainwell Technologies for proper processing. Both PA submissions and claim resubmissions may be retroactively backdated to **Jan. 1, 2025**.

To obtain approval for submissions beyond the **180-day filing limit**, providers must include a copy of this bulletin (first page only) with both their PA revision request submission and claim resubmission.

Providers have **180 days from the publication date of this bulletin** to complete these actions.

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Corrections to procedure codes that require a modifier match for GO or GP

The IHCP is updating its published *Therapy Services Codes* document to add CPT code 97542 – *Evaluation for wheelchair, each 15 minutes* to the table of physical and occupational therapy procedure codes that require a modifier match (for modifiers GO or GP) on the PA request and the claim. This requirement became effective for DOS on or after **Aug. 19, 2024**, as announced in *IHCP Bulletin* [BT2024109](#). However, the update failed to be made to the published code table at that time.

Additionally, a correction is being made to the same code table to remove CPT code 92610 – *Evaluation of swallowing function*, because PA was never required for that code when it was allowed for PT and OT providers, effective for DOS on or after **Nov. 26, 2022**.

These updates will be made to the *Physical and Occupational Therapy Procedure Codes That Require a Modifier Match (GO or GP) on Authorization Request and Claim* table in *Therapy Services Codes*, accessible from the [Code Sets](#) webpage at in.gov/medicaid/providers.



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