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1 Miscellaneous Code Description

Long Description

*L7499 Addition to upper extremity external powered myoelectric prostheses; Ottobock 13E520 Myo Plus TR pattern recognition system; Multi-factor, layered processing of the user’s amplified natural EMG signal patterns captured by a multiple electrode array to produce patient-specific rule set algorithms, allowing Myo Plus to recognize individual patient muscle signal patterns which are translated to intuitively control several prosthetic hand functions/grip types and/or several prosthetic devices (e.g. prosthetic hand, wrist rotator, wrist flexion/extension) instantaneously. The microprocessor integrates system calibration, signal quality evaluation, filtering, conditioning, processing, recognition of multiple muscle activation patterns, and transmission of complex functional controls.

Short Description (for claim)

*L7499 Add to UE ext power Myo prosth Ottobock 13E520 Myo Plus pattern recog MSRP __

*Note: It is not recommended to bill L7499 to Medicare for the Myo Plus at this time.

2 Narrative Section on the HCFA 5010 Claim

Because L7499* is an unlisted (NOC) code, the claim must have additional information to describe the item, so that the payer can tell what you are billing them for. Most payers require a narrative be added to the claim (e.g. device name, manufacturer, model/serial number, and MSRP).

Where to Put the Narrative

Electronic Claim For each miscellaneous code a narrative description must be inserted into the loop 2400 (line note) segment. The narrative should include the following:

Addition to UL Ottobock 13E520 Myo Plus Pattern Recognition System MSRP $____ .
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**Paper Claim**
Insert narrative for the miscellaneous code on Line 19 when submitting a handwritten paper claim (CMS-1500) and write on Line 19:

“For claim line # ____, L7499 Addition to upper extremity external powered myoelectric prostheses; Ottobock 13E520 Myo Plus TR pattern recognition system. MSRP $_______

What if I Do Not Include a Narrative Description?

If a narrative is not included, the required information is expected to be attached to the claim. If there is no narrative or attachment your claim 1) will be rejected on the front end, or 2) will receive a denial that does not include appeal rights. Both types of denials require the claim be resubmitted with the requested information. Generally, standardized narratives enable carriers to recognize similar claims and assign pricing, thereby improving the process.

3 Manufacturer Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the L7499 Miscellaneous Code

- 2020 MSRP for the Myo Plus pattern recognition system is $42,500

How Much Will I Get Paid for the Miscellaneous Code?

The reimbursement methodology for NOC/miscellaneous codes is generally stated in your contract with the payer. The most common payment methodologies are:

- MSRP minus ___%
- Cost plus ___%
- Usual and Customary (average amount that you bill for similar devices)
- Average Regional Amount billed for similar devices
- Lesser of the above

It is highly recommended to carefully review your contract with the payer when providing a miscellaneous coded product. If the information is not in your contract, provider relations may be able to help.
Medical Review

Sometimes codes requiring narratives are sent to Medical Review regardless of proper claim submission. If this happens, you will need to submit all documentation (including proof of medical necessity) as the claim will likely undergo medical necessity review.

Ottobock’s Reimbursement Team is available to help with your Myo Plus claims.
Phone: 800 328 4058 (ask for reimbursement)
E-mail your question to: reimbursement911@ottobock.com

References
1 The product/device “Supplier” (defined as an O&P practitioner, O&P patient care facility, or DME supplier) assumes full responsibility for accurate billing of Ottobock products. It is the Supplier’s responsibility to determine medical necessity; ensure coverage criteria is met; and submit appropriate HCPCS codes, modifiers, and charges for services/products delivered. It is also recommended that Supplier’s contact insurance payer(s) for coding and coverage guidance prior to submitting claims. Ottobock Coding Suggestions and Reimbursement Guides are based on reasonable judgment and are not recommended to replace the Supplier’s judgment. These recommendations may be subject to revision based on additional information or alpha-numeric system changes.
3 The manufacturer’s suggested retail pricing (MSRP) is a suggested retail price only. Ottobock has provided the suggested MSRP in the event that third-party and/or federal healthcare payer’s request it for reimbursement purposes. The practitioner and/or patient care facility is neither obligated nor required to charge the MSRP when submitting billing claims for third-party reimbursement for the product(s).

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