

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

TRANSCUTANEOUS ELECTRICAL NERVE STIMULATOR (TENS)

SECTION A Certification Type/Date: INITIAL ___/___/___ REVISED ___/___/___

PATIENT NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and HIC NUMBER (____) ____ - ____ HICN _____	SUPPLIER NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and NSC NUMBER (____) ____ - ____ NSC # _____	
PLACE OF SERVICE _____ NAME and ADDRESS of FACILITY if applicable (See Reverse)	HCPCS CODE: _____ _____ _____	PT DOB ___/___/___; Sex ___ (M/F); HT. ___ (in.); WT. ___ (lbs.) PHYSICIAN NAME, ADDRESS (Printed or Typed) PHYSICIAN'S UPIN: _____ PHYSICIAN'S TELEPHONE #: (____) ____ - _____

SECTION B Information in this Section May Not Be Completed by the Supplier of the Items/Supplies.

EST. LENGTH OF NEED (# OF MONTHS): _____ 1-99 (99=LIFETIME)	DIAGNOSIS CODES (ICD-9): _____
ANSWERS	ANSWER QUESTIONS 1 - 6 FOR RENTAL OF TENS, AND 3 - 12 FOR PURCHASE OF TENS. (Circle Y for Yes, N for No, or D for Does Not Apply, Unless Otherwise Noted)
Y N D	1. Does the patient have acute post-operative pain?
___/___/___	2. What is the date of surgery resulting in acute post-operative pain?
Y N D	3. Does the patient have chronic, intractable pain?
[____ months]	4. How long has the patient had intractable pain? (Enter number of months, 1 - 99.)
1 2 3 4 5	5. Is the TENS unit being prescribed for any of the following conditions? (Circle appropriate number) 1 - Headache 2 - Visceral abdominal pain 3 - Pelvic pain 4 - Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) pain 5 - None of the above
Y N D	6. Is there documentation in the medical record of multiple medications and/or other therapies that have been tried and failed?
Y N D	7. Has the patient received a TENS trial?
Began/Ended ___/___/___ ___/___/___	8. What are the dates that trial of TENS unit began and ended?
___/___/___	9. What is the date that you reevaluated the patient at the end of the trial period?
1 2 3	10. How often has the patient been using the TENS? (Circle appropriate number) 1 = Daily 2 = 3 to 6 days per week 3 = 2 or less days per week
Y N D	11. Do you and the patient agree that there has been a significant improvement in the pain and that long term use of a TENS is warranted?
2 4	12. Number of TENS leads (i.e., separate electrodes) routinely needed and used by the patient at any one time: (Circle appropriate number) 2 = 2 leads 4 = 4 leads

NAME OF PERSON ANSWERING SECTION B QUESTIONS, IF OTHER THAN PHYSICIAN (Please Print):
 NAME: _____ TITLE: _____ EMPLOYER: _____

SECTION C Narrative Description Of Equipment And Cost

(1) Narrative description of all items, accessories and options ordered; (2) Supplier's charge; and (3) Medicare Fee Schedule Allowance for each item, accessory, and option. (See *Instructions On Back*)

SECTION D Physician Attestation and Signature/Date

I certify that I am the physician identified in Section A of this form. I have received Sections A, B and C of the Certificate of Medical Necessity (including charges for items ordered). Any statement on my letterhead attached hereto, has been reviewed and signed by me. I certify that the medical necessity information in Section B is true, accurate and complete, to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any falsification, omission, or concealment of material fact in that section may subject me to civil or criminal liability.

PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ___/___/___ (SIGNATURE AND DATE STAMPS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE)

SECTION A: (May be completed by the supplier)

CERTIFICATION TYPE/DATE: If this is an initial certification for this patient, indicate this by placing date (MM/DD/YY) needed initially in the space marked "INITIAL." If this is a revised certification (to be completed when the physician changes the order, based on the patient's changing clinical needs), indicate the initial date needed in the space marked "INITIAL," and also indicate the recertification date in the space marked "REVISED." If this is a recertification, indicate the initial date needed in the space marked "INITIAL," and also indicate the recertification date in the space marked "RECERTIFICATION." Whether submitting a REVISED or a RECERTIFIED CMN, be sure to always furnish the INITIAL date as well as the REVISED or RECERTIFICATION date.

PATIENT INFORMATION: Indicate the patient's name, permanent legal address, telephone number and his/her health insurance claim number (HICN) as it appears on his/her Medicare card and on the claim form.

SUPPLIER INFORMATION: Indicate the name of your company (supplier name), address and telephone number along with the Medicare Supplier Number assigned to you by the National Supplier Clearinghouse (NSC).

PLACE OF SERVICE: Indicate the place in which the item is being used; i.e., patient's home is 12, skilled nursing facility (SNF) is 31, End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) facility is 65, etc. Refer to the DMERC supplier manual for a complete list.

FACILITY NAME: If the place of service is a facility, indicate the name and complete address of the facility.

HCPCS CODES: List all HCPCS procedure codes for items ordered that require a CMN. Procedure codes that do not require certification should not be listed on the CMN.

PATIENT DOB, HEIGHT, WEIGHT AND SEX: Indicate patient's date of birth (MM/DD/YY) and sex (male or female); height in inches and weight in pounds, if requested.

PHYSICIAN NAME, ADDRESS: Indicate the physician's name and complete mailing address.

UPIN: Accurately indicate the ordering physician's Unique Physician Identification Number (UPIN).

PHYSICIAN'S TELEPHONE NO: Indicate the telephone number where the physician can be contacted (preferably where records would be accessible pertaining to this patient) if more information is needed.

SECTION B: (May not be completed by the supplier. While this section may be completed by a non-physician clinician, or a physician employee, it must be reviewed, and the CMN signed (in Section D) by the ordering physician.)

EST. LENGTH OF NEED: Indicate the estimated length of need (the length of time the physician expects the patient to require use of the ordered item) by filling in the appropriate number of months. If the physician expects that the patient will require the item for the duration of his/her life, then enter 99.

DIAGNOSIS CODES: In the first space, list the ICD9 code that represents the primary reason for ordering this item. List any additional ICD9 codes that would further describe the medical need for the item (up to 3 codes).

QUESTION SECTION: This section is used to gather clinical information to determine medical necessity. Answer each question which applies to the items ordered, circling "Y" for yes, "N" for no, "D" for does not apply, a number if this is offered as an answer option, or fill in the blank if other information is requested.

NAME OF PERSON ANSWERING SECTION B QUESTIONS: If a clinical professional other than the ordering physician (e.g., home health nurse, physical therapist, dietician), or a physician employee answers the questions of Section B, he/she must print his/her name, give his/her professional title and the name of his/her employer where indicated. If the physician is answering the questions, this space may be left blank.

SECTION C: (To be completed by the supplier)

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT & COST: Supplier gives **(1)** a narrative description of the item(s) ordered, as well as all options, accessories, supplies and drugs; **(2)** the supplier's charge for each item, option, accessory, supply and drug; and **(3)** the Medicare fee schedule allowance for each item/option/accessory/supply/drug, if applicable.

SECTION D: (To be completed by the physician)

PHYSICIAN ATTESTATION: The physician's signature certifies **(1)** the CMN which he/she is reviewing includes Sections A, B, C and D; **(2)** the answers in Section B are correct; and **(3)** the self-identifying information in Section A is correct.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE After completion and/or review by the physician of Sections A, B and C, the physician must sign and date the CMN in Section D, verifying the Attestation appearing in this Section. The physician's signature also certifies the items ordered are medically necessary for this patient. Signature and date stamps are not acceptable.