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Re: Request # 04.173

Request to establish a code for a floor reaction ankle foot orthosis with energy return, trade name: ToeOff & Ypsilon Dynamic Response.

Dear Mr. Meier:

On behalf of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) National Panel, I would like to thank you for your application to modify the HCPCS Level II code set. The HCPCS Level II code set is available for use by all payers, and maintained by the HCPCS National Panel, a tripartite, non-government entity comprised of members representing the private insurance industry and Medicare and Medicaid. The HCPCS National Panel reserves final decision-making authority for approving modifications to the HCPCS Level II code set.

The HCPCS National Panel has reviewed this product category and made a consensus coding decision. The National Panel is pleased to make you aware that the following modifications have been made to the HCPCS Level II standard, national code set:

Revise L2755 ADDITION TO LOWER EXTREMITY ORTHOSIS, HIGH STRENGTH, LIGHTWEIGHT MATERIAL, ALL HYBRID LAMINATION/PREPREG COMPOSITE, PER SEGMENT, FOR CUSTOM FABRICATED ORTHOSIS ONLY  
and

Establish new code L1932 AFO, RIGID ANTERIOR TIBIAL SECTION, TOTAL CARBON FIBER OR EQUAL MATERIAL, PREFABRICATED, INCLUDES FITTING AND ADJUSTMENT

All changes to the code set are effective January 1, 2005, unless an earlier effective date is specified in the 2005 Annual HCPCS Update. The entire 2005 HCPCS Annual Update is available and can be downloaded free of charge at:


[www.cms.hhs.gov/medicare/hcpcs/default.asp](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicare/hcpcs/default.asp)

The code set is searchable using the edit function and key words or code numbers.

The HCPCS Level II codes describe categories of like items. The code set is not intended to be an exhaustive listing of all products on the market. While the National Panel believes that new code L1932 describes the product that is the subject of your application, as a general rule, the National Panel does not classify individual products under code categories. Individual insurance contractors have the necessary flexibility to classify specific products into HCPCS level II code categories and establish their own coding instructions in accordance with their policies and program operating needs. Questions regarding classification of products into HCPCS Level II code categories should be submitted to the contractor in whose jurisdiction a claim would be filed. For private sector health insurance systems, please contact the individual private insurance contractor. For Medicaid systems, please contact the Medicaid Agency in the state in which the claim is being filed.

For confirmation of appropriate coding for Medicare billing, please contact the Statistical Analysis Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (SADMERC) toll free at 877-735-1326. For your convenience, the SADMERC has begun compiling a product classification matrix that lists individual products by brand name under code categories. This matrix is available at [www.palmettoeba.com](http://www.palmettoeba.com). If you do not find your product listed on the SADMERC matrix, you may request a coding verification for your product by contacting SADMERC at the toll free telephone number listed above. Under contract to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the SADMERC provides coding verifications for the purpose of billing Medicare.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Hake  
Chairperson  
HCPCS National Panel