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RE: Chiropractic Services

This Service Fee Memorandum replaces Service Fee Memorandum CP-CE-03-04-28.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation coverage of chiropractic services is limited to treatment of the spine to correct a subluxation, as per Current Procedural Terminology codes 98940, 98941 and 98942, demonstrated by x-ray to exist. Treatment must be with the hands and/or the chiropractic activator which is a small hand-held mechanical device used to make the adjusting thrust. For Office of Vocational Rehabilitation purposes, subluxation covers incomplete dislocation, off-centering, misalignment, fixation and abnormal spacing of the vertebrae.
Other therapeutic services performed by a chiropractor, such as diathermy (Current Procedural Terminology code 97024), ultrasound (Current Procedural Terminology code 97035), traction (Current Procedural Terminology code 97012), other physical medicine modalities/procedures (Current Procedural Terminology codes 97701 to 97814), and manipulative treatment-extraspinal (Current Procedural Terminology code 98943) are not covered. In addition, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation will not reimburse for the activator device nor allow an additional fee for its use.