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Reimbursement and HCPCS/CPT codes that are applicable to PICO sNPWT

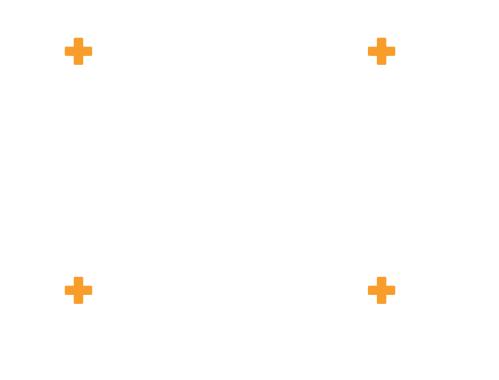
# **Smith**<br/> **Nephew**

PICO<sup>♦</sup> Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System



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## Hospital Inpatient

The American Medical Association has established two CPT codes for Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (sNPWT): 97607 and 97608

Medicare does not separately reimburse hospitals for the PICO (sNPWT) when it is furnished to patients in the inpatient setting. Payment for the PICO (sNPWT) is included in the MS-DRG payment.

NOTE: Payment rates from non-Medicare payers will depend on each hospital's contract with each payer. Ensure that reported charges reflect both the PICO (sNPWT) and, if appropriate, the work to assess the wound, apply it, and provide instructions for ongoing care.

#### **Revenue Code:**

**027x** – Medical/Surgical Supplies and Devices and **0279** – Supplies/Other



## Hospital-based Outpatient Department (HOPD)-Wound Clinic

The American Medical Association has established two CPT codes for Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (sNPWT): 97607 and 97608

CPT Code¹	Description	Status Indicator	APC Group	Total Medicare APC Allowable Payment Rate
97607	Negative pressure wound therapy, (eg, vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area less than or equal to 50 square centimeters	Т	5052	\$399.53
97608	Negative pressure wound therapy, (eg, vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area greater than 50 square centimeters	Т	5052	\$399.53

Medicare has assigned CPT codes **97607** and **97608** (single use negative pressure wound therapy) to Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Group 5052 Level II Debridement and Destruction with a status indicator of T (procedure or service subject to multiple procedure reduction), provided that the NPWT service is medically necessary.

Please be sure to check with your patient's individual health insurance provider to ensure coverage, coding, and payment requirements are met for the site of care and provider.

#### See the 2025 Medicare Hospital Outpatient (OPPS) Fee Schedule:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CY 2025 Hospital Outpatient (OPPS) Final Rule, Addendum B, Retrieved from

https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/cms-1809-fc and the systems/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/cms-1809-fc and the systems/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/hospital-outpatient/reg

- \*The national average 2025 Medicare rates for the hospital outpatient setting are calculated from the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS). The Medicare payment amounts listed do not reflect adjustments for
- deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, sequestration or any other reductions. All payment amounts listed are based on national averages. Medicare payment amounts will vary by geographical locations.

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## Physicians

The American Medical Association has established two CPT codes for Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (sNPWT): 97607 and 97608

CPT Code <sup>1</sup>	Description	Status Indicator	Medicare Allowable Non-Facility Rate	Medicare Allowable Facility Rate
97607	Negative pressure wound therapy (eg, vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area less than, or equal to, 50 square centimeters	A	\$323.14	\$20.38
97608	Negative pressure wound therapy (eg, vacuum assisted drainage collection), utilizing disposable, non-durable medical equipment including provision of exudate management collection system, topical application(s), wound assessment, and instructions for ongoing care, per session; total wound(s) surface area greater than 50 square centimeters	A	\$337.05	\$23.64

Medicare has assigned CPT codes 97607 and 97608 (single-use negative pressure wound therapy) with a status code of "A" meaning these codes are paid separately under the physician fee schedule, if covered. There will be RVUs for codes with this status. The presence of an "A" indicator does not mean that Medicare has made a national coverage determination regarding the service; carriers remain responsible for coverage decisions in the absence of a national Medicare policy.

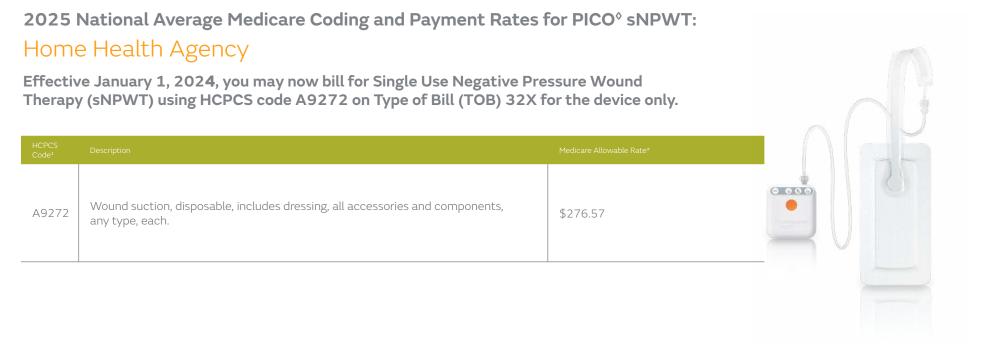
Please be sure to check with your patient's individual health insurance provider to ensure coverage, coding, and payment requirements are met for the site of care and provider.

#### See the 2025 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicard Service, CY 2025 Physician Fee Schedule Final Rule, Addendum B, Retrieved from https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/fee-schedules/physician/federal-regulation-notices/cms-1807-f

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Home health agencies receive a separate payment for negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) using a disposable device, such as PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, for Medicare beneficiaries who receive home health agency services under a home health plan of care. These services may be performed by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, physical therapists, or occupational therapists that are permitted to perform wound assessments under state law.

Note: Claims for sNPWT sent on TOB 34X with CPT codes 97607 or 97608 and claim on or after January 1, 2024 will be returned to the provider. In addition, nursing and therapy services related to the application of the device will be reported on TOB 32X and are no longer separately billable, as they are included in the home health bundled payment. For more information, please refer to the Nov 28 2023 CMS MLN Matters (MM13244) on **Separate Payment for Disposable Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Devices on Home Health Claims.** The document is available at https://www.hhs.gov/guidance/sites/default/files/hhs-guidance-documents/MM13244\_0.pdf

See the 2025 Medicare Home Health (HH) Prospective Payment System Final Rule: The Centers for Medicaid Services Home Health PPS Final Rule, Retrieved from https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/home-health/home-health/home-health-prospective-payment-system/cms-1803-f

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## 2025 National Average Medicare Coding and Payment Rates for PICO<sup>o</sup> sNPWT: Important reminders:

#### Suggestions when using single use negative pressure wound therapy "sNPWT" eg PICO sNPWT:

- 1. Verify that sNPWT codes 97607 and 97608 are listed on your Charge Description Master (CDM)
- 2. Verify the HOPD charges for sNPWT codes 97607 and 97608 **include the combined charges for the PICO device and for the work** to assess the wound, to apply the PICO device, and to provide instructions for ongoing use
- 3. Verify that the charges for 97607 and 97608 are different than the charges for 97605 and 97606 (which should not include a charge for the NPWT durable medical equipment)

**CAUTION:** Many HOPD Charge Description Masters mistakenly cross-walk the same charges from 97605/97606 to 97607/97608. This fails to capture the cost of the PICO device in the HOPD charges for 97607 and 97608. Understanding the importance of updating your CDM for sNPWT to ensure charges reflect the fact that sNPWT always includes the purchase of the device, while Traditional Negative Wound Therapy (tNPWT) does not.



## Reimbursement Helpline

Before applying PICO<sup>°</sup> Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System, all HOPD's should confirm or clarify coverage and coding from each patient's insurance plan, as each payer may have differing formal or informal policies or decisions.

For assistance with insurance benefit verification, please call the reimbursement helpline at (866) 988-3491

Monday through Friday 8:00AM to 7:00PM EST for help with reimbursement questions. A reimbursement associate can help you with topics such as:

- Patient-specific insurance verifications
- Payer policy and Medicare Local Coverage Determination (LCD) information
- Nurse Case Manager review of documentation and coding
- Prior authorization and pre-determination support

www.possiblewithpico.com/reimbursement

## NOTES:

Payment rates from non-Medicare payers will depend on each hospital's contract with each payer. Ensure that reported charges reflect both the PICO Single Use NPWT System and, if appropriate, the work to assess the wound, apply it, and provide instructions for ongoing care.

Check with your Payer Relations Representative for more information on specific payer requirements and payment rates/contracts. Please contact the associated provider relations associate for the most up to date information. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. Please be sure to check your individual patient's plan. Physicians should always document medical necessity for the use of sNPWT in the patient's medical record regardless of the health insurance provider.

#### Indications for use

PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System is indicated for patients who would benefit from a suction device (negative pressure wound therapy) as it may promote wound healing via removal of low to moderate levels of exudate and infectious materials. PICO 7 Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System is suitable for use both in a hospital and homecare setting.

#### Appropriate wound types include:

- Chronic
- Acute
- Traumatic
- Subacute and dehisced wounds
- Partial-thickness burns
- Ulcers (such as diabetic or pressure)
- Venous leg ulcers the PICO 7 System can be used in combination with graduated compression therapy in the management of venous leg ulcers
- Flaps and grafts
- Closed surgical incisions



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**Important Safety Information** The PICO pumps contain a MAGNET. Keep the PICO pumps at least 4 inches (10 cm) away from other medical devices at all times. As with all electrical medical equipment, failure to maintain appropriate distance may disrupt the operation of nearby medical devices. For full product and safety information, please see the Instructions for Use.

#### To obtain forms and receive additional information please visit: possiblewithpico.com

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