

Cardinal Health™ Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT)

Home Health Agencies



Cardinal Health™ Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) devices are intended for patients with chronic, acute, traumatic, subacute and dehisced wounds, partial-thickness burns, ulcers (such as diabetic or pressure), flaps and grafts. This fact sheet provides general descriptions of payment methods codes and rates used in the disposable NPWT reimbursement processes across **Home Health Agencies** and is intended for information purposes only. Criteria for medical necessity and ultimate coverage determination varies by payer and prior-authorization is sometimes required. It is important to review a payer's specific policy requirements regularly and consult them directly and your practice manager on appropriate submission of claims for NPWT reimbursement.

Disposable NPWT Billing

Whether disposable NPWT (dNPWT) is prescribed by a doctor in the office setting or in a Wound Care Clinic, Home Health Agencies can place the dNPWT and bill for it. Even if a different HHA renders the NPWT services, the payment will be issued to the primary HHA.

As of January 1st, 2017, CMS issues a separate payment amount for a disposable NPWT (dNPWT) device for patients under a home health plan of care. Billing for dNPWT is done through CPT® codes 97607 or 97608. The HHA reports the CPT® code with one of three revenue codes, depending on the provider that rendered the service:

Skilled Nurse — 0559

Physical Therapist — 042x

Occupational Therapist — 043x

CPT® Code	CPT® Code Description	Cardinal Health Products	Home Health Agencies Total Medicare Allowable Rate under OPPS
97607	Negative pressure wound therapy, (e.g., 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	NPWT Pro™ NPWT PRO TO GO™	\$314.08
97608	Negative pressure wound therapy, (e.g., pressure wound therapy, (e.g., 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	ALLY™ ALLY TO GO Kit™	\$314.08

Note: All amounts represent national base payments only. No adjustments for quality reporting, e-prescribing, sequestration or any other reduction are included. Consult your payer regarding coverage and specific submission requirements.

Traditional (DME) NPWT Billing

While the service of rendering negative wound pressure therapy is covered under the home health benefit, traditional NPWT systems have been considered durable medical equipment (DME) and thus paid through the original Medicare Part B DME benefit. DME is not paid or covered by the Home Health Agency benefit and it's not reimbursed. DME products are billed directly by durable medical suppliers to the patient's insurance DME benefits. In cases where a patient has chronic wound care requirements where a DME NPWT system is more appropriate, the HHA and DME supplier can work in tandem. In that event, the HHA may bill the appropriate CPT codes for services provided in conjunction with care associated with the wound requiring NPWT.

HCPCS Codes	HCPCS Descriptions	Cardinal Health Products
A6550	Wound care set, for negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump, includes all supplies and accessories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPWT Black Foam Dressing Kit
A7000	Canister, disposable, used with suction pump, each	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 300cc Canister w/ gel 500cc Canister w/ gel
A9900	Miscellaneous DME supply, accessory, and/or service component of another HCPCS code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Polyurethane drape SensiSkin™ drape Bridging kit Y-connector SpeedConnect™ tubing set Irrigation tubing with SpeedConnect™ tubing set Irrigation delivery kit NPWT White Foam Dressing <p>CATALYST™, ALLY™, PRO™ device accessories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrying case IV pole adapter AC power adapter <p>SVED™ device accessories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrying case AC power adapter
E2402	Negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump, stationary or portable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPWT CATALYST™ NPWT SVED®

For more information, contact the Cardinal Health Reimbursement Hotline:
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