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29065	Application, cast; shoulder to hand (long arm)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29075	Application, cast; elbow to finger (short arm)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29085	Application, cast; hand and lower forearm (gauntlet)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29105	Application of long arm splint (shoulder to hand)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29125	Application of short arm splint (forearm to hand); static	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29126	Application of short arm splint (forearm to hand); dynamic	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29130	Application of finger splint; static	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29131	Application of finger splint; dynamic	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29200	Strapping; thorax	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29220	Strapping; low back	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29240	Strapping; shoulder (eg Velpeau)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29260	Strapping; elbow or wrist	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29280	Strapping; hand or finger	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29345	Application of long leg cast (thigh to toes)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29365	Application of cylinder cast (thigh to ankle)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X

¹ Numeric Level I HCPCS code definitions: *Current Procedural Terminology CPT 2002 Professional Edition*, AMA Press, and Chicago, IL, 2001
Alphanumeric Level II HCPCS code definitions: *2002 HCPCS Level II Professional*, Ingenix, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT, 2001

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29405	Application of short leg cast (below knees to toes)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29445	Application of rigid total contact leg cast	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29505	Application of long leg splint (thigh to ankle or toes)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29515	Application of short leg splint (calf to foot)	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29520	Strapping; hip	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29530	Strapping; knee	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29540	Strapping; ankle	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29550	Strapping; toes	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29580	Strapping; unna boot	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
29590	Denis-Browne splint strapping	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
64550	Application of surface (transcutaneous) neurostimulator	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
90901	Biofeedback training by any modality	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
90911	Biofeedback training, perineal muscles, anorectal or urethral sphincter, including EMG and/or manometry	N	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
92506	Evaluation of speech, language, voice, communication, auditory processing, and/or aural rehabilitation status	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
92507	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication, and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); individual	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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92508	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication, and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); group, two or more individuals	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
92510	Aural rehabilitation following cochlear implant (includes evaluation of aural rehabilitation status and hearing therapeutic services) with or without speech processor programming	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
92525	Evaluation of swallowing and oral function for feeding	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
92526	Treatment of swallowing dysfunction and/or oral function for feeding	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
95831	Muscle testing, manual (separate procedure) with report; extremity (excluding hand) or trunk	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X
95832	Muscle testing, manual (separate procedure) with report; hand, with or without comparison with normal side	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X
95833	Muscle testing, manual (separate procedure) with report; total evaluation of body, excluding hands	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X
95834	Muscle testing, manual (separate procedure) with report; total evaluation of body, including hands	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X
95851	Range of motion measurements and report (separate procedure); each extremity (excluding hand) or each trunk section (spine)	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X

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95852	Range of motion measurements and report (separate procedure); hand, with or without comparison with normal side	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X
96105	Assessment of aphasia (includes assessment of expressive and receptive speech and language function, language comprehension, speech production ability, reading, spelling, writing, eg, by Boston Diagnostic Aphasia Examination) with interpretation and report, per hour	T	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X
96110	Developmental testing; limited (eg, Developmental Screening Test II, Early Language Milestone Screen), with interpretation and report	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X
96111	Developmental testing; extended (includes assessment of motor, language, social, adaptive and/or cognitive functioning by standardized developmental instrument, eg, Bayley Scales of Infant Development) with interpretation and report, per hour	T	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X
96115	Neurobehavioral status exam (clinical assessment of thinking, reasoning and judgment, eg, acquired knowledge, attention, memory, visual spatial abilities, language functions, planning) with interpretation and report, per hour	T	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X

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97001	Physical therapy evaluation	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97002	Physical therapy re-evaluation	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97003	Occupational therapy evaluation	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97004	Occupational therapy re-evaluation	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97010	Application of a modality to one or more areas; hot or cold packs	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97012	Application of a modality to one or more areas; traction, mechanical	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97014	Application of a modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (unattended)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97016	Application of a modality to one or more areas; vasopneumatic devices	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97018	Application of a modality to one or more areas; paraffin bath	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97020	Application of a modality to one or more areas; microwave	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97022	Application of a modality to one or more areas; whirlpool	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97024	Application of a modality to one or more areas; diathermy	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97026	Application of a modality to one or more areas; infrared	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97028	Application of a modality to one or more areas; ultraviolet	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97032	Application of a modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (manual), each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97033	Application of a modality to one or more areas; iontophoresis, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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97034	Application of a modality to one or more areas; contrast baths, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97035	Application of a modality to one or more areas; ultrasound, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97036	Application of a modality to one or more areas; Hubbard tank, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97039	Unlisted modality (specify type and time if constant attendance)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97110	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; therapeutic exercises to develop strength and endurance, range of motion and flexibility	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97112	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular reeducation of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture, and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97113	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; aquatic therapy with therapeutic exercises	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97116	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; gait training (includes stair climbing)	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97124	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; massage, including effleurage, petrissage and/or tapotement (stroking, compression, percussion)	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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97139	Unlisted therapeutic procedure (specify)	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97140	Manual therapy techniques (eg, mobilization/manipulation, manual lymphatic drainage, manual traction), one or more regions, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97150	Therapeutic procedure(s), group (2 or more individuals)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97504	Orthotic(s) fitting and training, upper extremity(ies), lower extremity(ies), and/or trunk, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97520	Prosthetic training, upper and/or lower extremities, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97530	Therapeutic activities, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider (use of dynamic activities to improve functional performance), each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97532	Development of cognitive skills to improve attention, memory, problem solving, (including compensatory training), direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97533	Sensory integrative techniques to enhance sensory processing and promote adaptive responses to environmental demands, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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97535	Self-care/home management training (eg, activities of daily living (ADL) and compensatory training, meal preparation, safety procedures, and instructions in use of assistive technology devices/adaptive equipment) direct one-on-one contact by provider, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97537	Community/work reintegration training (eg, shopping, transportation, money management, avocational activities and/or work environment/modification analysis, work task analysis), direct one-on-one contact by provider, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97542	Wheelchair management/propulsion training, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97601	Removal of devitalized tissue from wound(s); selective debridement, without anesthesia (eg, high pressure water jet, sharp selective debridement with scissors, scalpel and tweezers), including topical application(s), wound assessment, and instruction(s) for ongoing care, per session	N	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X
97703	Checkout for Orthotic/prosthetic use, established patient, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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97750	Physical performance test or measurement (e.g., musculoskeletal, functional capacity, with written report, each 15 minutes)	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
97799	Unlisted physical medicine/rehabilitation service or procedure	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0151	Services of physical therapist in home health setting, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0152	Service of occupational therapist in home health setting, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0153	Services of speech and language pathologist in home health setting, each 15 minutes	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0193	Endoscopic study of swallowing function (also fiberoptic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing)(FEES)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0194	Sensory testing during endoscopic study of swallowing (add on code) referred to as fiberoptic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing with sensory testing (FEEST)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0195	Clinical evaluation of swallowing function (not involving interpretation of dynamic radiological studies or endoscopic study of swallowing)	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0196	Evaluation of swallowing involving swallowing of radio-opaque materials	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0197	Evaluation of patient for prescription of speech generating devices	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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G0198	Patient adaptation and training for use of speech generating devices	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0199	Re-evaluation of patient using speech generating devices	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0200	Evaluation of patient for prescription of voice prosthetic	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
G0201	Modification or training in use of voice prosthetic	N	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X