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condition *that is not on the list below*. In that case, the diagnosis *on the list below must* be put in a secondary position on the claim and/or in the medical records, as the contractor directs. When two codes are listed in the left cell in a row, all the codes between them are also accepted. If one code is in the cell, only that one code is accepted. The descriptions in the table are not always identical to those in the ICD-9 code book, but may be summaries. Contact your contractor for interpretation if you are not sure that a condition or complexity is applicable for automatic process exception.

Key	
<i>Automatic (only ICD-9 needed on claim)</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Complexity (requires another ICD-9 on claim)</i>	<i>*</i>
<i>Does not serve as qualifying ICD-9 on claim</i>	<i>--</i>

ICD-9 Cluster	ICD-9 (Cluster) Description	PT	OT	SLP
V43.61-V43.69	Joint Replacement	X	X	--
V45.4	Arthrodesis Status	*	*	--
V45.81-V45.82 and V45.89	Other Postprocedural Status	*	*	--
V49.61-V49.67	Upper Limb Amputation Status	X	X	--
V49.71-V49.77	Lower Limb Amputation Status	X	X	--
V54.10-V54.29	Aftercare for Healing Traumatic or Pathologic Fracture	X	X	--
V58.71-V58.78	Aftercare Following Surgery to Specified Body Systems, Not Elsewhere Classified	*	*	*
244.0-244.9	Acquired Hypothyroidism	*	*	*
250.00-251.9	Diabetes Mellitus and Other Disorders of Pancreatic Internal Secretion	*	*	*
276.0-276.9	Disorders of Fluid, Electrolyte, and Acid-Base Balance	*	*	*
278.00-278.01	Obesity and Morbid Obesity	*	*	*
280.0-289.9	Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs	*	*	*
290.0-290.43	Dementias	*	*	*
294.0-294.9	Persistent Mental Disorders due to Conditions Classified Elsewhere	*	*	*
295.00-299.91	Other Psychoses	*	*	*
300.00-300.9	Anxiety, Disassociative and Somatoform Disorders	*	*	*
310.0-310.9	Specific Nonpsychotic Mental Disorders Due to Brain Damage	*	*	*
311	Depressive Disorder, Not Elsewhere Classified	*	*	*
315.00-315.9	Specific delays in Development	*	*	*
317	Mild Mental Retardation	*	*	*
320.0-326	Inflammatory Diseases of the Central Nervous System	*	*	*
330.0-337.9	Hereditary and Degenerative Diseases of the Central Nervous System	X	X	X
340-345.91 and 348.0-349.9	Other Disorders of the Central Nervous System	X	X	X
353.0-359.9	Disorders of the Peripheral Nervous system	X	X	--
365.00-365.9	Glaucoma	*	*	*
369.00-369.9	Blindness and Low Vision	*	*	*
386.00-386.9	Vertiginous Syndromes and Other Disorders of Vestibular System	*	*	*
389.00-389.9	Hearing Loss	*	*	*
401.0-405.99	Hypertensive Disease	*	*	*
410.00-414.9	Ischemic Heart Disease	*	*	*
415.0-417.9	Diseases of Pulmonary Circulation	*	*	*
420.0-429.9	Other Forms of Heart Disease	*	*	*

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430-438.9	<i>Cerebrovascular Disease</i>	X	X	X
440.0-448.9	<i>Diseases of Arteries, Arterioles, and Capillaries</i>	*	*	*
451.0-453.9 and 456.0-459.9	<i>Diseases of Veins and Lymphatics, and Other Diseases of Circulatory System</i>	*	*	*
465.0-466.19	<i>Acute Respiratory Infections</i>	*	*	*
478.30-478.5	<i>Paralysis, Polyps, or Other Diseases of Vocal Cords</i>	*	*	*
480.0-486	<i>Pneumonia</i>	*	*	*
490-496	<i>Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease and Allied Conditions</i>	*	*	*
507.0-507.8	<i>Pneumonitis due to solids and liquids</i>	*	*	*
510.0-519.9	<i>Other Diseases of Respiratory System</i>	*	*	*
560.0-560.9	<i>Intestinal Obstruction Without Mention of Hernia</i>	*	*	*
578.0-578.9	<i>Gastrointestinal Hemorrhage</i>	*	*	*
584.5-586	<i>Renal Failure and Chronic Kidney Disease</i>	*	*	*
590.00-599.9	<i>Other Diseases of Urinary System</i>	*	*	*
682.0-682.8	<i>Other Cellulitis and Abscess</i>	*	*	--
707.00-707.9	<i>Chronic Ulcer of Skin</i>	*	*	--
710.0-710.9	<i>Diffuse Diseases of Connective Tissue</i>	*	*	*
711.00-711.99	<i>Arthropathy Associated with Infections</i>	*	*	--
712.10-713.8	<i>Crystal Arthropathies and Arthropathy Associated with Other Disorders Classified Elsewhere</i>	*	*	--
714.0-714.9	<i>Rheumatoid Arthritis and Other Inflammatory Polyarthropathies</i>	*	*	--
715.00-715.98	<i>Osteoarthritis and Allied Disorders (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
715.09	<i>Osteoarthritis and allied disorders, multiple sites</i>	X	X	--
715.11	<i>Osteoarthritis, localized, primary, shoulder region</i>	X	X	--
715.15	<i>Osteoarthritis, localized, primary, pelvic region and thigh</i>	X	X	--
715.16	<i>Osteoarthritis, localized, primary, lower leg</i>	X	X	--
715.91	<i>Shoulder</i>	X	X	--
715.96	<i>Osteoarthritis, unspecified if gen. or local, lower leg</i>	X	X	--
716.00-716.99	<i>Other and Unspecified Arthropathies</i>	*	*	--
717.0-717.9	<i>Internal Derangement of Knee</i>	*	*	--
718.00-718.99	<i>Other Derangement of Joint (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
718.49	<i>Contracture of Joint, Multiple Sites</i>	X	X	--
719.00-719.99	<i>Other and Unspecified Disorders of Joint (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
719.7	<i>Difficulty Walking</i>	X	X	--
720.0-724.9	<i>Dorsopathies</i>	*	*	--
725-729.9	<i>Rheumatism, Excluding Back (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
726.10-726.19	<i>Rotator Cuff Disorder and Allied Syndromes</i>	X	X	--
727.61-727.62	<i>Rupture of Tendon, Nontraumatic</i>	X	X	--
730.00-739.9	<i>Osteopathies, Chondropathies, and Acquired Musculoskeletal Deformities (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
733.00	<i>Osteoporosis</i>	X	X	--
741.00-742.9 and 745.0-748.9 and 754.0-756.9	<i>Congenital Anomalies</i>	*	*	*
780.31-780.39	<i>Convulsions</i>	*	*	*
780.71-780.79	<i>Malaise and Fatigue</i>	*	*	*
780.93	<i>Memory Loss</i>	*	*	*
781.0-781.99	<i>Symptoms Involving Nervous and Musculoskeletal System (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	*
781.2	<i>Abnormality of Gait</i>	X	X	--
781.3	<i>Lack of Coordination</i>	X	X	--
783.0-783.9	<i>Symptoms Concerning Nutrition, Metabolism, and Development</i>	*	*	*
784.3-784.69	<i>Aphasia, Voice and Other Speech Disturbance, Other Symbolic Dysfunction</i>	*	*	X

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785.4	<i>Gangrene</i>	*	*	--
786.00-786.9	<i>Symptoms involving Respiratory System and Other Chest Symptoms</i>	*	*	*
787.2	<i>Dysphagia</i>	*	*	X
800.00-828.1	<i>Fractures (Complexity except as listed below)</i>	*	*	--
806.00-806.9	<i>Fracture of Vertebral Column With Spinal Cord Injury</i>	X	X	--
810.11-810.13	<i>Fracture of Clavicle</i>	X	X	--
811.00-811.19	<i>Fracture of Scapula</i>	X	X	--
812.00-812.59	<i>Fracture of Humerus</i>	X	X	--
813.00-813.93	<i>Fracture of Radius and Ulna</i>	X	X	--
820.00-820.9	<i>Fracture of Neck of Femur</i>	X	X	--
821.00-821.39	<i>Fracture of Other and Unspecified Parts of Femur</i>	X	X	--
828.0-828.1	<i>Multiple Fractures Involving Both Lower Limbs, Lower with Upper Limb, and Lower Limb(s) with Rib(s) and Sternum</i>	X	X	--
830.0-839.9	<i>Dislocations</i>	X	X	--
840.0-848.8	<i>Sprains and Strains of Joints and Adjacent Muscles</i>	*	*	--
851.00-854.19	<i>Intracranial Injury, excluding those With Skull Fracture</i>	X	X	X
880.00-884.2	<i>Open Wound of Upper Limb</i>	*	*	--
885.0-887.7	<i>Traumatic Amputation, Thumb(s), Finger(s), Arm and Hand (complete)(partial)</i>	X	X	--
890.0-894.2	<i>Open Wound Lower Limb</i>	*	*	--
895.0-897.7	<i>Traumatic Amputation, Toe(s), Foot/Feet, Leg(s) (complete)(partial)</i>	X	X	--
905.0-905.9	<i>Late Effects of Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Injuries</i>	*	*	*
907.0-907.9	<i>Late Effects of Injuries to the Nervous System</i>	*	*	*
941.00-949.5	<i>Burns</i>	*	*	*
952.00-952.9	<i>Spinal Cord Injury Without Evidence of Spinal Bone Injury</i>	X	X	X
953.0-953.8	<i>Injury to Nerve Roots and Spinal Plexus</i>	X	X	*
959.01	<i>Head Injury, Unspecified</i>	X	X	X

Additional Considerations for Exceptions

In justifying exceptions for therapy caps, clinicians and contractors should not only consider the medical diagnoses and medical complications that might directly and significantly influence the amount of treatment required. Other variables that affect appropriate treatment shall also be considered. Factors that influence the need for treatment should be supportable by published research, clinical guidelines from professional sources, and/or clinical/common sense. However, in cases where the beneficiary was treated in the same year for different episodes of the same condition, special attention should be paid to justifying the second episode as appropriate and necessary and not merely an extension of the first episode, separated so as to fabricate a complexity to justify the exception to therapy caps. If the services are appropriate, they should meet other criteria for exception.

Note that the patient's lack of access to outpatient hospital therapy services alone does not justify excepted services. Residents of skilled nursing facilities prevented by consolidated billing from accessing hospital services, debilitated patients for whom transportation to the hospital is a physical hardship or lack of therapy services at hospitals in the beneficiary's county may or may not qualify for continued services above the caps. The patient's condition and complexities might justify extended services, but their location does not.