



APRIA HEALTHCARE®

# Initiation of Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Authorization Form for Commercial Payors

Fax to (800) 323-1882 • Phone (800) 780-1228

## PATIENT INFORMATION

Order date \_\_\_\_\_

Patient name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Last First MI

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's HIC/ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

## REFERRAL INFORMATION

Referral name \_\_\_\_\_ Referral contact name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Form completed by \_\_\_\_\_ with information provided by \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

Name and credentials Facility

## PRESCRIPTION, ATTESTATION AND TREATING PRESCRIBER INFORMATION

**This form is required unless a separate detailed written order for NPWT is provided. Physician must clearly document in the patient's medical record that other modalities have been tried, or clearly document why other modalities are being ruled out.**

**Diagnosis Code ICD-10. Write in complete code(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**I prescribe a Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pump, and up to 15 wound care sets/dressing kits per wound per month and 10 canister sets per month**

OR alternatively, I prescribe the Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pump and up to \_\_\_\_\_ dressing kits (quantity) per wound per month, and \_\_\_\_\_ canister sets (quantity) per month.

Number of months:  1 month  2 months  3 months  4 months  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Pressure setting \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency of dressing changes \_\_\_\_\_

Wound location and measurements MUST be documented in patient's chart notes, using the format Length x Width x Depth. Wound measurement date and unit of measure also must be included.

## SUPPLIES FOR DELIVERY

**For proper processing, please choose ONE row/size and check one box.**

Kit Size	Dressing Kits		Other: (Channel Drains, Y Connectors or Other)
	Foam	Gauze	
Small	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Medium/Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

Note: Foam and gauze kits do not include scissors.

Other Specifications: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing and dating, I attest that I am prescribing Negative Pressure Wound Therapy as medically necessary and all other applicable treatments have been tried or considered and ruled out. I have read and understand all safety information and other instructions for use included with therapy clinical guidelines. Additionally, I have reviewed the information provided in this form and attest to its accuracy.

**Prescriber name** \_\_\_\_\_ **NPI #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax** \_\_\_\_\_

**Prescriber signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

*Treating prescriber's original signature and date are required (no stamps).*

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## PATIENT DELIVERY

Requested delivery date \_\_\_\_\_ Requested delivery time \_\_\_\_\_

**Hospital Delivery** Hospital/facility name \_\_\_\_\_  
Room number \_\_\_\_\_ Direct phone number to patient's room \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Anticipated hospital/facility discharge date (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**Delivery to Patient's Home** — SAME ADDRESS AS LISTED ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THIS ORDER FORM

**OR**

**Delivery to Alternate Address** Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## PATIENT FOLLOW-UP CARE

Name of Home Health Agency following the patient \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Wound Care Clinic following the patient (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMON ICD-10 CODES FOR NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY

Since NPWT is not diagnosis-driven, there is not a defined set of codes that must be used with this equipment. There are many other ICD-10 codes for which Negative Pressure Wound Therapy can be used. This is simply a short list of commonly used codes. Presence of an ICD-10 code alone does not guarantee coverage of a NPWT device.

**A specific ICD-10 code must be provided either on page 1 or in the patient's chart notes. Please list the appropriate qualifying diagnosis and write in the code. Ranges will not be accepted.**

Description	ICD-10 Codes
Varicose Veins with Ulcer	I83.001 – I83.029
Varicose Veins with Ulcer, Lower Extremity	I83.202 – I83.229
Venous Insufficiency (Chronic) (Peripheral)	I87.2
Cellulitis of Limb	L03.113 – L03.116
Cellulitis, Unspecified	L03.90
Pilonidal Cyst with Abscess	L05.01
Pressure Ulcer, Various	Various L89 Codes
Disruption of Wound, Unspecified	T81.30XA – T81.30XS
Disruption of External Operation (Surgical) Wound	T81.31XA – T81.31XS
Non-Pressure Chronic Ulcer of Unspecified Heel and Midfoot with Unspecified Severity	L97.409
Non-Pressure Chronic Ulcer of Unspecified Part of Unspecified Lower Leg with Unspecified Severity	L97.909
Other Complications of Procedures, Not Elsewhere Classified, Initial Encounter	T81.89XA

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## CLINICAL INFORMATION BY WOUND TYPE (Complete in full OR fax applicable wound history documentation)

### PATIENT'S WOUND HISTORY

1. Was NPWT initiated in an inpatient facility?  Yes  No  
**OR** has the patient been on NPWT to treat this wound previously?  Yes  No  
Date initiated \_\_\_\_\_ Facility name \_\_\_\_\_ Facility city, state \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the patient's nutritional status compromised?  Yes  No If yes, check the action taken:  
 Protein Supplements  Enteral/NG feeding  TPN  Vitamin therapy  Special diet  
Albumin: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-albumin: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Protein levels: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Does the patient have a chronic, nonhealing ulcer with lack of improvement greater than 30 days duration despite standard wound therapy?  Yes  No
4. Which therapies/dressings have been previously tried and failed?  Saline/gauze  Collagen  Hydrogel  Foam  
 Electrical Stimulation  Compression  Alginate  Hydrocolloid  Absorptive  Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment  
 None  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
5. If other therapies were considered and ruled out, what conditions prevented you from using other therapies prior to applying NPWT?  
 Presence of co-morbidities  High risk of infections  Need for accelerated granulation tissue  
 Prior history of delayed wound healing  Other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have weekly evaluations of the wound, including documentation of wound measurements (LxWxD), been conducted by a licensed medical professional?  Yes  No (Please include/attach these evaluations.)
7. Which of the following co-morbidities apply?  Diabetes  Immobility  Immunocompromised  ESRD  
 PVD  PAD  Obesity  Smoking  Depression  N/A
8. If above diabetes box checked, is the patient on a comprehensive diabetic management program?  Yes  No  N/A
9. Is Osteomyelitis present in the wound?  Yes  No If yes, please indicate the following:  
 Antibiotic (list name) \_\_\_\_\_  IV Antibiotics (list name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hyperbaric Oxygen  
Is the above treatment administered to the patient with the intention to completely resolve the underlying bone infection?  Yes  No
10. Please provide a short narrative of possible consequences if NPWT is not used. (Please include/attach any clinical data such as H&P, OP report, and other medical documentation supporting treatments tried and describing factors impacting wound healing): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### PATIENT'S WOUND TYPE

- TRAUMATIC:**  Flap (post-op)  Graft (post-op)  Soft tissue/open wound  Traumatic amputation  
 Exposed bones and tendons  Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- Is wound a direct result of an accident?  Yes  No If yes, please complete the following: Date of accident \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of accident involving wound \_\_\_\_\_
- Is accelerated formation of granulation tissue not achievable by other topical wound treatments needed?  Yes  No
- SURGICAL:**  Dehisced  Wound with exposed hardware/bone  Poststernotomy mediastinitis  
 Postoperative disunion of abdominal wall  Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- Date of surgery \_\_\_\_\_ Description of surgical procedure involving wound \_\_\_\_\_

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**PRESSURE ULCER:**     **Stage III**     **Stage IV**

1. Has the patient been on an appropriate turning/positioning regimen?     Yes     No
2. Has the patient used appropriate pressure relief modalities for ulcer(s) located on the posterior trunk or pelvis?     Yes     No
3. Has the patient's moisture and/or incontinence been appropriately managed?     Yes     No

**DIABETIC ULCER OR NEUROPATHIC ULCER**

1. Has reduction of pressure on the foot ulcer been accomplished with appropriate modalities?     Yes     No

**VENOUS STASIS ULCER/VENOUS INSUFFICIENCY**

1. Have compression dressings and/or garments been consistently applied?     Yes     No
2. Has leg elevation/ambulation been encouraged?     Yes     No

## WOUND DESCRIPTION — Please submit supporting documentation

**Wound #1** Type \_\_\_\_\_

Wound age in months \_\_\_\_\_

Is there necrotic tissue with eschar present in the wound?

Yes     No

Has debridement been attempted in the last 10 days?

Yes     No

If yes, debridement date \_\_\_\_\_

Debridement type \_\_\_\_\_

Are serial debridements required?     Yes     No

Measurement date \_\_\_\_\_

Wound location \_\_\_\_\_

Length \_\_\_\_\_ cm    Width \_\_\_\_\_ cm    Depth \_\_\_\_\_ cm

Appearance of wound bed and odor \_\_\_\_\_

Exudate (amount and color) \_\_\_\_\_

Is the wound full thickness?     Yes     No

Is muscle, tendon, or bone exposed?     Yes     No

Is there undermining?     Yes     No

Location #1: \_\_\_\_\_ cm, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock

Location #2: \_\_\_\_\_ cm, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock

Is there tunneling/sinus?     Yes     No

Location #1: \_\_\_\_\_ cm, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock

Location #2: \_\_\_\_\_ cm, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock

Within the vicinity of the wound, is there:

- Cancer present in the wound?     Yes     No
- A fistula to an organ or body cavity?     Yes     No
- Active bleeding/difficult wound hemostasis?     Yes     No
- Exposed vital organs, nerves, arteries/veins, or anastomotic sites?     Yes     No

**Wound #2** Type \_\_\_\_\_

Wound age in months \_\_\_\_\_

Is there necrotic tissue with eschar present in the wound?

Yes     No

Has debridement been attempted in the last 10 days?

Yes     No

If yes, debridement date \_\_\_\_\_

Debridement type \_\_\_\_\_

Are serial debridements required?     Yes     No

Measurement date \_\_\_\_\_

Wound location \_\_\_\_\_

Length \_\_\_\_\_ cm    Width \_\_\_\_\_ cm    Depth \_\_\_\_\_ cm

Appearance of wound bed and odor \_\_\_\_\_

Exudate (amount and color) \_\_\_\_\_

Is the wound full thickness?     Yes     No

Is muscle, tendon, or bone exposed?     Yes     No

Is there undermining?     Yes     No

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