

# 17CF1 Carbon Ankle Seven

## Billing Tips

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### PRIVATE PAYER SUGGESTED CODING<sup>1</sup>

Ottobock intends to apply for a new Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code to describe both the Dynamic Test Orthosis and the 17CF1 Carbon Ankle Seven Spring. Until we have new coding for these items, we recommend using the following miscellaneous codes to describe them.

- L2999 OTTOBOCK 636411 DYNAMIC TEST ORTHOSIS (DTO) FOR CUSTOM AFO W/ 17CF1 CARBON ANKLE SEVEN SPRING
- L2999 ADDITION TO AFO, OTTOBOCK 17CF1 CARBON ANKLE SEVEN SPRING ENERGY RETURN

### BILLING TIPS FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS CODES – L2999

#### Narrative Section on the HCFA 5010 Claim<sup>2</sup>

Because L2999 is an unlisted (NOC) code, the claim must have additional information to describe the item. This will allow the payer to understand what you are billing for. Most payers require a narrative be added to the claim (e.g. device name, manufacturer, model# serial number#, and MSRP). Please check with your software vendor and payer for to confirm narrative placement.

#### Where to Put the Narrative

Electronic<sup>2,4</sup> Claim Notes can be added in 3 places in American National Standards Institute (ANSI) format electronic claims; the 2300 NTE Segment, the SV101-7 (at the line level in the 2400 loop) and the 2400 NTE Segment. The 2300 NTE segment pertains to the entire claim. The SV101-7 and 2400 NTE segment pertain to each line item.

**2300 NTE Segment:** Insert information here about the overall device you are billing for.

Example:

CUSTOM FLOOR REACTION AFO W/CARBON SPRING

**SV101-7 and 2400 NTE Segments:\***

(Insert information here specific to L2999)

Example:

L2999 OTTOBOCK 636411 DYNAMIC TEST ORTHOSIS (DTO) FOR AFO W/  
CARBON SPRING MSRP \$\_\_\_\_\_

L2999 ADDITION TO AFO, OTTOBOCK 17CF1 CARBON ANKLE SEVEN  
SPRING MSRP \_\_\_\_\_

\* SV101-7 and NTE 2400 segments are limited to 80 characters (including spaces)

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### Where to put the narrative (continued)

Paper Claim<sup>3,4</sup> Enter the entire narrative on **Line 19** when submitting a hand-written paper claim (CMS-1500). Include the HCFA 1500 line number (1-6) that the L2999 is located on.

Examples:

(Line 2) L2999 ADDITION TO AFO, OTTOBOCK 17CF1 CARBON ANKLE  
SEVEN SPRING MSRP \_\_\_\_\_

Note: If a narrative is not included, the required information is expected to be attached to the claim. If there is no narrative or attachment you will receive a letter requesting the required information. Generally, standardized narratives enable carriers to recognize similar claims and assign pricing, thereby improving the process.

### MANUFACTURER SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE (MSRP)<sup>4</sup>

2020 MSRP for the Dynamic Test Orthosis is \$2,364.00

2020 MSRP for the Carbon Ankle Seven spring is \$1,221.00

### MEDICAL REVIEW

Sometimes codes requiring narratives are sent to Medical Review regardless of proper claim submission. If this happens, you will need to submit all documentation (including proof of medical necessity and reason for replacement) as the claim will likely undergo medical necessity review.

### CONCLUSION

Following these instructions will help you have a more successful outcome. For additional reimbursement information, or if you have questions about this material, please contact Otto Bock Reimbursement at 800.328.4058 or you can email your question to [reimbursement911@ottobock.com](mailto:reimbursement911@ottobock.com).

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### References

<sup>1</sup>The product/device “Supplier” (defined as an O&P practitioner, O&P patient care facility, or DME supplier) assumes full responsibility for accurate billing of Ottobock products. It is the Supplier’s responsibility to determine medical necessity; ensure coverage criteria is met; and submit appropriate HCPCS codes, modifiers, and charges for services/products delivered. It is also recommended that Supplier’s contact insurance payer(s) for coding and coverage guidance prior to submitting claims. Ottobock Coding Suggestions and Reimbursement Guides are based on reasonable judgment and are not recommended to replace the Supplier’s judgment. These recommendations may be subject to revision based on additional information or alphanumeric system changes

<sup>2</sup>Noridian. DME MAC Jurisdictions A and D. Not Otherwise Classified Codes. Posted August 18, 2016.

<sup>3</sup>CGS. DME MAC Jurisdictions B and C. Reminders for Miscellaneous Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes. Updated August 13, 2015.

<sup>4</sup>The manufacturer’s suggested retail pricing (MSRP) is a suggested retail price only. Ottobock has provided the suggested MSRP in the event that third party and/or federal healthcare payers request it for reimbursement purposes. The practitioner and/or patient care facility is neither obligated nor required to charge the MSRP when submitting billing claims for third-party reimbursement for the product(s).