



AAPA Reimbursement Resources

[Medicare Benefit Policy Manual: Physician Assistant Services](#)

This document is a direct citation from the Medicare Manual authorizing coverage of professional services provided by PAs.

[Medicare Preventive Services](#)

PAs may provide Medicare Preventive Services, including the "Welcome to Medicare" exam and the "Annual Wellness Visit." There are many rules, requirements, limitations and screening schedules for these services.

[Incident-to Billing](#)

"Incident-to" is a Medicare provision that allows for services provided by a PA in the office to be billed under the NPI of the physician with reimbursement at 100 percent.

[Shared Visit Billing](#)

Shared visit billing is a Medicare provision that allows for services provided in the hospital by both the PA and the physician to be billed under the NPI of the physician with reimbursement at 100 percent.

[Medicare Enrollment](#)

Physician assistants must apply first for an NPI number, then enroll in Medicare via the PECOS system. This document contains detailed instructions.

[Private Payer Policy for PAs](#)

Practices must ascertain the payment policy and claims submission instructions for services provided by PAs from each payer with whom they contract.

[First Assisting at Surgery](#)

This document includes billing rules for first assisting, the Medicare exclusion list and Teaching Facility rules.

[Home Health Services](#)

There are new home health requirements for a face-to-face visit, which may be provided by a PA.

[Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehab](#)

Physicians managing patient care in nursing facilities, skilled nursing facilities and inpatient rehab units may delegate visits to PAs.

[E-Prescribing](#)

PAs are eligible for the Medicare e-prescribing incentive payments, but are also subject to the penalties if not successfully prescribing.

[Electronic Health Record Incentive Program](#)

PAs are not eligible for the Medicare EHR incentive program. PAs in limited circumstances can be eligible for the Medicaid EHR incentive program.

[Calculating PA Productivity](#)

This collection of information highlights the considerations and challenges associated with calculating PA productivity.

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