Matrix for health care provider types*

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<th>Attending physician status (primarily responsible for treatment of a patient)</th>
<th>Provide compensable medical services for initial injury or illness</th>
<th>Authorize payment of time loss (temporary disability) and release the patient to work</th>
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| Type A attending physician  
» Medical doctor  
» Osteopathic physician  
» Oral and maxillofacial surgeon  
» Podiatric physician and surgeon | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Type B attending physician  
» Chiropractic physician  
» Naturopathic physician  
» Physician assistant | Yes, for a total of 60 consecutive days or 18 visits from the date of the initial visit on the initial claim with any Type B attending physician.  
Or, if authorized by an attending physician and under a treatment plan.  
(Note: Physician assistants are not required to have a written treatment plan.) | Yes, unless the total of 60 consecutive days or 18 visits from the date of the initial visit on the initial claim with any Type B attending physician has passed.  
Or, if authorized by an attending physician and under a treatment plan.  
(Note: Physician assistants are not required to have a written treatment plan.) | Yes, 30 days from the date of the first visit with any type B attending physician on the initial claim, if within the specified 18-visit period. | No, unless the type B attending physician is a chiropractic physician.  
No, unless authorized by attending physician and under a written treatment plan.  
(Note: Physician assistants are not required to have a written treatment plan.) |
| Emergency room physicians | Yes, if the physician refers the patient to a primary care physician. | Yes | No, if patient referred to a primary care physician. | Yes |
| Authorized nurse practitioner | No | Yes, for 180 consecutive days from the date of the first visit to any authorized nurse practitioner on the initial claim.  
Or, if authorized by attending physician. | Yes, for 180 days from the date of the first visit on the initial claim. | No |
| “Other health care providers”  
e.g., acupuncturists | No | Yes, for 30 consecutive days or 12 visits from the date of the first visit on the initial claim with any “other health care providers.”  
Thereafter, services must be provided under a treatment plan and authorized by the attending physician. | No | No, unless referred by the attending physician and under a written treatment plan. |

*This matrix does not apply to managed care organizations

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