

Radiation Oncology Clinical Appeal Documentation Requirements

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CPT®Code(s)	Definition	Clinical Documentation
77014 (TC)	CT for Treatment Planning	As of 2014, code 77014 for CT acquisition is included in the simulation codes 77280-77290 and 77295 and should not be separately reported.
77014, 77387, G6001, G6002, G6017	IGRT Procedure	Physician's note detailing the type and frequency of IGRT along with why IGRT was medically necessary. Be advised, only one imaging technique allowed per patient encounter.
77261 - 77263	Physician Clinical Treatment Plan (Prescription)	Physician's signed/dated clinical treatment plan identifying patient's prescribed course of treatment
77280 - 77290	Simulation Procedure	Simulation sheet along with physician's procedure note for date of service in question and physician's treatment summary. If allowed units exceeded, then clinical needs to support why additional units were needed. If IMRT is the chosen modality for treating the patient, a simulation code cannot be reported for the entire course of treatment.

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77293	Respiratory Motion Management Simulation	Documentation should include both the medical necessity of reporting CPT® code +77293 as well as the physician work and resources involved in acquiring a respiratory correlated or '4D' CT simulation study for conformal planning.
77295	3D Planning	3D physics plan, including DVH, and physician's note detailing medical necessity of the 3D plan
77300	Basic Radiation Dose Calculation	Basic dose calculation, Isodose plan or dose verification such as RadCalc, IMSure, etc. for date of service in question and physician's treatment summary. If allowed units exceeded, then clinical submitted needs to support all units reported for entire episode of care. Code 77300 is not separately reported with codes 0394T, 0395T, 77306, 77307, 77316, 77317, 77318, 77321, 77767, 77768, 77770, 77771, 77772 or 77778.
77301	IMRT Plan	IMRT physics plan and physician's note detailing medical necessity of the IMRT plan
77306 - 77307	Complex Isodose Plan	Physics photon plan for date of service in question
77321	Special Port Plan	Electron physics plan for date of service in question

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77316-77318	Brachytherapy Isodose Plan	Brachytherapy physics plan for date of service in question
77331	Special Dosimetry (Diode)	Physician's order for diodes, diode reading for date of service in question and physician's note detailing why diodes were medically necessary
77332 - 77334	Treatment Device	Documentation of immobilization device and/or each treatment device reported for date of service in question and physician's treatment summary. If allowed units exceeded, then clinical submitted needs to support all units reported for entire episode of care. If a wing-board or breast-board is used in addition to a custom immobilization device, only the custom device would be billed (CPT® code 77334).
77338	IMRT Treatment Device	Documentation of IMRT physics plan. Prescription page and treatment summary
77336	Continuing Physics	Documentation of physics weekly chart check for date of service in question

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77370	Special Physics Consult	Physician's request and physicist's report for date of service in question. A nonspecific check-off sheet or template is not acceptable. Code 77370 is included in CPT® code 77301 and is not separately reported for IMRT treatment.
77371	Single fraction treatment of all cranial lesions using Gamma Knife. Complete course	Prescription page and treatment summary detailing treatment technique
77372	Single fraction treatment of all cranial lesions using a linear accelerator unit. Complete course	Prescription page and treatment summary detailing treatment technique
77373	Multifraction SRS treatment delivery for all cranial lesions; 2-5 fractions, per fraction	Prescription page and treatment summary detailing treatment technique
	Stereotactic body radiation therapy, treatment delivery, per fraction to 1 or more lesions, including image guidance, entire course not to exceed 5 fractions	
77399	Unlisted Procedure, Special Physics Service	Documentation/report for date of service in question
77401, 77402, 77407, 77412, 77385, 77386, G6003-G6016	Radiation Treatment Delivery	Treatment record identifying treatment on date of service in question and physician's treatment summary. If there was a change in treatment technique, please provide all supporting documentation.

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77417	Port Images	Treatment record identifying treatment field for port image on date of service in question. Be advised, only one imaging technique allowed per patient encounter.
77427	Radiation Treatment Management; external beam only	Physician's weekly progress note or On Treatment Visit note for date of service in question and physician's treatment summary
77432	Stereotactic Radiation Treatment Management; all cranial lesions treated in a single session. Complete course	Prescription page and treatment summary detailing treatment technique
77435	Stereotactic body radiation therapy, treatment management, per treatment course, to 1 or more lesions, including image guidance, entire course not to exceed 5 fractions	Prescription page and treatment summary detailing treatment technique
77470	Special Treatment Procedure	Physician's note explaining the significant additional physician and facility work beyond standard of care (ie concurrent chemo) required for patient treatment. A nonspecific check-off sheet or template is not acceptable.
A9606	Xofigo	Documentation to support the need for additional units (ie clinic notes documenting patient weight for each Xofigo injection)

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