

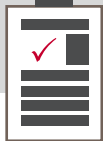
How to Bill for Temporary Physician Services

Start Here



If You're Billing for Services **in Addition** to Those Provided by Your On-Staff Physicians

Enroll your temporary physicians using the standard Medicaid and private payer process* required by your state and insurance carrier.



Medicare contractual arrangement guidelines can be found in section [30.2.7 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual](#).¹ Have your temporary physician complete a Medicaid and private career application and [Medicare form 855R](#).²

Your Weatherby Healthcare consultant understands the importance of capturing every available revenue dollar for temporary physician services and can help you determine the billing method that will work best for you.

Follow both procedures simultaneously



If You're Billing for Services **Replacing** Those Provided by Your On-Staff Physicians

Will the replacement physician work more than 60 days?

Yes

Undecided

No

You can bill Medicare with code modifier Q6 for up to 60 days. If it's possible the services¹ will extend beyond 60 days, then you should start the standard enrollment process now.

Bill Medicare with code modifier Q6 on the CMS 1500 section 24D. (There's a chance Medicaid and private payers may still require standard enrollment, so check your state and insurance carrier guidelines.)

Use the locum tenens guidelines given in section [30.2.11 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual](#)¹ with HCPCS code modifier Q6 instructions.

*Billing for Medicaid and private payers varies from state to state and carrier to carrier.
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