



American Music Therapy Association

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With over 60 years of clinical history in the U.S., Music Therapy currently receives national recognition in the following ways:

- The United States Code lists music therapy as a disease prevention and health promotion service and as a supportive service under Title 42: The Public Health and Welfare; Chapter 35: Programs For Older Americans; Subchapters I and III.
- Music therapy is listed under the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Code **G0176** for billing Medicare in Partial Hospitalization Programs (PHP).
- Music therapy has a Procedure Code of **93.84** in the International Classification of Diseases-9th Revision Manual (ICD-9) used in reimbursement.
- Music therapy is listed on the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) schedule under PROFESSIONAL AND ALLIED HEALTHCARE STAFFING SERVICES: **621-047**---Counseling Related Services (Includes: Community Counselor; Marriage/Family Counselor/Therapist; Mental Health Counselor; Rehabilitation Counselor; Social Worker (BS); Social Worker (MS); Music Therapist; Art Therapist and Dance Therapist (Registered DTR).
- Music therapists are eligible to apply for the National Provider Identifier system for billing under taxonomy code **225A00000X**, which is included in the category of “Respiratory, Developmental, Rehabilitative and Restorative Service Providers”.
- The Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 assessment tool utilized in skilled nursing facilities and residential care programs lists music therapy under Section O. Special Treatments and Procedures, O0400. Therapies, F. Recreational Therapy (includes recreational and music therapy). This listing provides a vehicle for documenting physician ordered music therapy services and validates the inclusion of music therapy as a part of the Medicare Prospective Payment System (PPS).
- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Center on Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) website defines complementary and alternative medicine. Music therapy is included under Mind-Body Interventions.
- Music therapy is a related service under IDEA and can be included on IEPs if found necessary for a child to benefit from his/her special education program.
- The Joint Commission and the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) recognize music therapists as qualified individuals who may provide services within accredited facilities.