
Hello,

You would bill under the regular physicians NPI with modifier Q5 or Q6 depending on your situation. You would not include the locums NPI on the claim. Here's info from Novitas: www.novitas-solutions.com/webcenter/portal/MedicareJH/... This link does not work. rlc

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Hello,
We have a physician that will need to be out on Medical Leave and luckily found a Locum Tenen willing to take on the patients care while contracted physician is out on LOA. Can you bill Medicare under the Locum Tenen NPI even though he/she is not contracted with Medicare or the other payers under the group EIN? Or does the claim need to be billed under the LOA physician who is contracted with the payer and add a modifier?

We have started the contract process with the payers but unfortunately we do not have 90 - 180 days to wait for Locum to become contracted because the patients needs to be accommodated now. Unfortunately we do not have another physician on staff to take over; only option is Locum.

Advise is appreciated.
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